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Dear Parents and Carers,

December has finally arrived and many of you will have begun putting up Christmas decorations and thinking about Christmas celebrations! The school trees are up and some of you may have noticed the lights under the canopies at the front of the building.

Our roof works are due to finish imminently and the scaffolding will finally come down. We thank you for your patience and understanding during these works and the children for demonstrating responsibility by keeping themselves and others safe.

We look forward to seeing many of you during the many events planned over the next few weeks of term.

Best Wishes

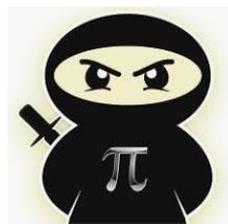
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Tombola Donations

Our Christmas Fayre is taking place in the school hall on Thursday 20th December from 3:30pm-4:30pm. There will be stalls and refreshments plus our MJS choir providing some festive music. We would be very grateful for any donations for the tombola including chocolates, bottles or toiletries. Thank you in advance!



Year 6 Ninja Maths



Ninja Maths has launched in year 6 and every Wednesday we are facing arithmetic challenges in our groups in a competition to see who can beat their personal bests and score points for their team. Watch

out for the Heavenly Hayes', Brilliant Buchanans, Heroic Headteachers, Rapid Rowsells, Precious Pyatts, Yes We're the Youngs and the Sassy Slades as they "hi-ya" their way to the top of the leader boards! Don't be alarmed if a year 6 with a colourful headband scuttles past you in a corridor - it is all top secret ninja business!

Book Fair Success

Last week, lots of bargains were had in our half price book fair. Thank you so much to Shirley Inkpen and Sarah Renaux who both gave up their time to run this event over the course of one week. We raised a magnificent £462 which was only possible due to your support.



Year 6 Hero!

Back in November, year 6 went to Fort Purbrook for a "Junior Citizens" day. The day involved learning about lots of different organisations including the different emergency services. As part of this they learnt about how to make a 999 call, what happens when you make the call and the information they will require.



Last week we were approached by a first responder who attended the scene of a 999 emergency. They told us that one of our year 6 pupils had made the phone call. The pupil had stayed calm and given all the information required nice and clearly. The first responder was unable to tell me who the pupil was for confidentiality reasons. Having spoken to year 6, the pupil has now come forward and we are very proud to say it was **Hayden Goodright**. The call was made for his baby sister when his Mum had shouted upstairs for him to phone for an ambulance. Whilst his Mum tended to his sister, he knew exactly what to do. I am pleased to say that his sister is now absolutely fine and everyone is very proud of Hayden!

Special Mention Box

For children who have asked for help from others when needed....

**Brandon (Lime); Harry (Maple);
Reggie (Elm); Luca (Oak); Sophie (Birch);
Oscar (Beech); Holly (Willow);
Finley (Alder); Ronnie (Chestnut)**



Year 4 Science Workshop

Last week our year 4 children were visited by the Winchester Science Centre to take part in a Sound Workshop. This interactive and inventive workshop explored the physics of sound by pupils creating their own musical instruments and experimenting with some truly unusual ways of making sound.

As you can see from our pics, the children had a great time and learned about everything from the humble triangle to the rumble of an earthquake!



Information about after school clubs (starting in January) were sent home earlier this week. Please make sure you reply by Monday 10th December if your child would like to take part in any of the activities on offer. We do our very best to accommodate everybody's choices, but if a club is oversubscribed children will be added to waiting lists for priority the following term.

If you need a copy of the clubs letter, just visit www.menghamjunior.co.uk/for-parents/virtual-office

Weekly Coffee Morning

Every Friday morning we are welcoming parents and carers to an informal drop-in session hosted by Mrs Lunnon (our ELSA and home school link worker). This is a great opportunity to meet and chat with other parents. Refreshments will be provided and the sessions run from 8:40am to 9:45am. We hope you can come along!



Science Club's Important Research...



We have been extremely lucky to be involved in a clean air project. A month ago, our science club children put up a test tube in the school grounds and attached another one to a post in Mengham. On Wednesday night, we collected the test tubes and they will now be taken to a laboratory in Winchester to find out how clean the air is in our local environment.

More tubes have been put in the original places to enable the next science club to experience the same high level of scientific enquiry. The club is really starting to raise awareness of the importance of clean air on everyone's health and the staff are already considering car share!

Christmas Decorations Afternoon



Thank you to all the parents and carers who came out in force to help with our Christmas decorations. The school looks amazing and we are certainly getting in the festive spirit.

MJS Choir Performing Live!

Our very own choir are performing at the late night shopping event in Mengham on Friday 7th December so why not go along to support them. The Mayor will be turning on the lights at 5pm and our young vocalists will be performing shortly afterwards.

Head Lice

We have had a recent case of headlice reported so we would ask that you are all extra vigilant in checking your child is not affected, thank you.

Important Dates

Fri 7 th Dec	Beech Class Assembly
Mon 10 th Dec	Karate Festival (Selected pupils)
Tues 11 th Dec	Christingle (Yr 3)
Fri 14 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Sat 15 th Dec	Hi5 Christmas Fayre
Mon 17 th Dec	Pantomime at Mill Rythe Holiday Village (Yrs 3 & 4) Morning only
Thu 20 th Dec	Christmas Fayre 3:30 – 4:30pm
Fri 21 st Dec	Christmas Lunch / Last day of term
Mon 7 th Jan	Inset Day
Tue 15 th Jan	Winchester Cathedral (Yr 4) <i>Letter to follow</i>
Wed 16 th Jan	Winchester Cathedral (Yr 4)
Tue 5 th Feb	Safer Internet Day (whole school)

Inset Days 2018/2019: 7th Jan; 21st Jun; 24th June