

# Mengham Junior School

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## Newsletter No. 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to thank all our parents and carers for their support last week when we took the decision to close the school during Storm Ciaran. Closing a school to its children is never a decision taken lightly. On this occasion, with the knowledge we had, the disadvantages of closing the school were far out weighted by the potential risk to our school community of we opened.

We recognise the closure meant a lot of last-minute plans had to be made but we hope you understand that the decision was made with the best intentions.

Best wishes,

Mr Harrison and Mrs Davies

### Remembrance Assembly

This morning, year 5 led a very reflective and somewhat emotional assembly about Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday. The children spoke confidently about the events of the war and the meaning behind these two significant days. Their singing as always was an absolute pleasure to listen to. Well done and thank you year 5.

Some of our children in year 5 were also lucky enough to visit St Marys Church to take their fantastic artwork. They enjoyed looking at the Church & seeing the stained glass windows.



### Lateness

Hopefully you have all received the letter that was emailed to parents this week regarding lateness. We have found how children who arrive for school after the registration do disrupt the other children who are trying to start their learning effectively.

From this week we have started to ask any children arriving after the 08:50 bell to join myself, or another member of staff in the meeting room to complete their registration and start their school day. On any day your child is late, we will, inform you by a text message move to the main carer.

As always, we thank you for your co-operation.



### FOMS



What an amazing Halloween Party we had! The children were all so well behaved – Not one issue at all. Thank you for supporting these events, we were lucky enough to raise £253.55 from the discos!

Our next event coming up is 'Elfridges' A letter will be sent home next week with all information, we are asking for donations of items which can be bought and gifted to family members. Please pop these donations into the office, we have had a huge influx of donations already, thank you.

If you would like to help with FOMS events please drop an email to [FOMS@Mengham-Jun.hants.sch.uk](mailto:FOMS@Mengham-Jun.hants.sch.uk)

### Dinner Debt

The school dinner debt is currently at **£1247.18** which is a seriously concerning amount with our already struggling budget. Please can we remind you to ensure you keep on top of these debts & a prewarning that we will stop serving school lunches to any debt which remains unpaid. This will also affect residential trips in year 5 & 6.

At Mengham Junior School we strive to be successful learners, healthy and confident individuals, responsible members of our community



### Headteachers' Awards

Lucas Agg  
Millie-Rose Davies  
Yaroslav Prokopenko  
Pandora Barnish  
Josie Littler  
Harry Townsend  
Zachary House  
Seb Aspland  
Lexie Hudson  
Lily Bond  
Hannah Brown-Smith  
Reece Jones  
Lula-Mae Davies

### Dates for your diary

<b>Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Beech trip to planetarium
<b>Thur 16<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Y3 swimming
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Alder trip to planetarium
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Maple Assembly
<b>Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov</b>	Chestnut Gilbert White House
<b>Thur 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov</b>	Y3 swimming
<b>Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Y3 Sleepover
<b>Wed 29<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Willow Gilbert White House
<b>Thur 30<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Y3 swimming
<b>Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>	Y3 Sleepover Assembly
<b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Elfridges!
<b>Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Afterschool Carols & hot chocolate
<b>Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Dec-Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Jan</b>	Christmas Break
<b>Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan</b>	INSET DAY
<b>Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Feb-Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Half Term
<b>Thur 28<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	INSET DAY
<b>Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	Good Friday
<b>Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Apr-Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Apr</b>	Spring Break
<b>Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Bank Holiday
<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May – Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Half Term
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	INSET DAY
<b>Mon 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	INSET DAY
<b>Wed 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Summer Break