

# Mengham Junior School

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## Newsletter No. 5

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we head into December, things in school seem to get even busier than usual! Please make a note of the 'Dates for your Diary' section and look out for any letters that may come home with your children.

As it is almost always cold now it's winter, please ensure your child comes into school with a coat. Whilst it might be sunny when your child leaves for school, we know that things can quickly change and as we try to get children outside at play and lunch as much as possible, coats will be needed.

Best wishes,

Mr Harrison and Mrs Davies



### 'Where in the World?'

We have an ever-increasing community of children joining us from countries where English is not their primary language. Sharing information about where others

have previously lived or visited can be an exciting way of helping children to belong and can support others in gaining knowledge about places all over the world.

If your child has lived in another country, or has family living in another country, please bring in a photo to share and add to our 'Where in the World' board in the hall. Children will be invited to talk about this country in their classes and share any information they may have about its geography.

### Christmas Hat Competition

Don't forget to get your hat designers busy this weekend to enter the school council's competition!

### 12 months of giving

We were delighted to recognise Lulamae with a headteachers' commendation award for undertaking 12 months of giving.

At the start of the year Lulamae was feeling grateful for people who had helped her and her family. She started a project where every month she did an act of kindness to help different members of our community. When we found out about this I asked if we could share her list of good deeds with the school in assembly. Well done Lulamae!



### Year 6 Football Team

Our year 6 football team once again represented the school superbly in a hard-fought draw at Emsworth Primary. Unfortunately, they ultimately lost on penalties but battled back from a 1-4 deficit to end the match at 5 all. Despite the loss, every single one of the boys performed fantastically as individuals, but more importantly as a team. Watching them work together in such a united way, and in challenging conditions, was a privilege and showed their strong work ethic and teamwork. Well done to all the boys who represented the school in both cup matches this term, we hope you are all extremely proud of yourselves!



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



### Nut Free School!

Reminder than Mengham Junior School are completely nut free. We have children in school who have severe allergies. We are always pleased to see our parents adhere to this rule, thank you for your co-operation.



### Year 5 Trip to Planetarium

'At the planetarium we discovered different dwarf planets and a variety of activities that shows how gravity, sound, the human body and light works. It was amazing! We got to experience space! The thing that I liked the most was when we got to sit down and look at all the planets. My favourite thing was the workshop where we got to talk about satellites and the James Webb.' *Anna & Gracie.*



### Year 6 Trip to Gilbert White's House



'We did three activities, looking at tents for Antarctica, an experiment with ice and trying on different modern pieces of clothing to wear in cold climates. Jess & Rubie-J tried all of the clothes on at once! We were told to put our hands in icy water for 1 minute,

it wasn't very cold for me but the look on some peoples faces looked like their hand was going to fall off!' *Maisie & Coral.*

### Online Safety from the National College

Black Friday and Cyber Monday have ballooned in popularity during the past few years, as prices on almost everything are slashed for a few precious days. With consumers in the UK alone spending a staggering £9.4 billion over last year's discounted digital shopping weekend, it can often become a frenetic rush to grab tech, games and other products at knock-down prices.

Such radical reductions are especially welcome at this time of year – but Black Friday and Cyber Monday are also peak season for scammers, who bet on a sense of urgency blinding shoppers to the red flags in their 'offers'.

Visit <https://nationalcollege.com/> for more information.

### FOMS



The response we have had to FOMS 'Elfridges' has been incredible! We thought we may have to top up the gifts but the amount of donations which have come in may mean we don't need as many as we thought.

BIG BIG thank you!

Don't forget the last day to return your gift tags is Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

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)

### Headteachers' Awards

Emily Frost  
Charlie Hoare  
Poppy Frampton Buchanan  
Belle Adams  
Sophia Young

### Dates for your diary

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| <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>Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>                          | Christmas Jumper Day               |
| <b>Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>                            | Chestnut Assembly                  |
| <b>Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>                            | Y6 Drumming Assembly               |
| <b>Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>                           | Choir visiting care home           |
| <b>Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>                          | Choir visiting Ferry Boat Inn      |
| <b>Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>                          | Y4 Play                            |
| <b>Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>                           | Afterschool Carols & hot chocolate |
| <b>Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>                         | Y4 Play                            |
| <b>Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>                         | Choir visiting care home           |
| <b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>                           | Christmas Dinner                   |
| <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                       |