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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope it has been an enjoyable and restful two weeks for everyone.

The Spring term is busy with many events planned – please keep an eye on the key dates section of the newsletter and for any updates via email and/or letter.

Best wishes,

Mr Harrison and Mrs Davies

Guinea Pig update

As you may be aware, one of our guinea pigs, Pippin, passed away over the Christmas period. This was very sad news, especially as she was so young. Guinea pigs are sociable creatures and in order to prevent Penelope becoming unhappy, we have purchased two new guinea pigs for company. These have been introduced to Penelope gradually over the last few weeks and are currently being cared for by Mrs Izzard. When they join us in school, we will be helping them settle in and giving them their names.



A goodbye...

We would like to wish Ms Gornall a very fond farewell as she leaves education to return to her previous role in midwifery. Ms Gornall has been an invaluable member of the school team since she joined and has worked with passion and dedication to support the pupils and families of Mengham Junior School and we wish her all the very best.

Coats

As the temperature has dropped, children must come to school wearing a coat please. Black jogging bottoms are also encouraged for outdoor PE sessions.

Home Learning Logs

A reminder that these should be signed by an adult and returned to school on a Thursday. Children will be asked to read on a Friday during playtime if this has not happened.

Parents' Evenings

Our next parents' evenings are March 4th & 6th. These will be available to book on ARBOR during February. An email will be sent closer to the time, if you experience any issues with ARBOR for these bookings please pop into the office & one of the team members will assist.

A Visit to Parliament



On Monday 8th January, one of our year 3 pupils, Lola, was invited to meet Alan Mak MP for a tour of the House of Commons. Lola has been helping her Nanny for several years selling poppies at Lidl and handing out and collecting the tins all over the Island and as a thank you from Mr Mak, was invited to take part in this very special visit. Well done Lola for being a responsible member of our community.



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



Maths

Champions!

Congratulations to our new maths champions!

These children will be helping Mrs Clements

promote maths across the school and implement new problem-solving strategies, games, events and more! Well done!



Headteacher Awards

Faith Cogger
Rosie Ireland
Ella Wilson
Una Edwards
Frankie Walker
Jack Harris
Madhav Raj
Cody Crook
Joshua Barton

Attendance

Every School Day Counts



Every Minute Counts

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING
(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 Minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 Minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 Minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 Minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 Minutes late each day	19 days lost!

Be at the classroom on time and ready to learn!

Dates for your Diary

Fri 19th Jan	Beech Assembly
Fri 2nd Feb	Willow Assembly
Tues 6th to 13th Feb	Book Fair
Mon 12th Feb-Fri 16th Feb	Half Term
Fri 23rd Feb	Birch Fishbourne Trip
Thurs 28th Mar	INSET DAY
Fri 29th Mar	Good Friday
Mon 1st Apr-Fri 12th Apr	Spring Break
Mon 6th May	Bank Holiday
Mon 27th May – Fri 31st May	Half Term
Fri 21st June	INSET DAY
Mon 24th June	INSET DAY
Wed 24th July	Summer Break

At Mengham Junior School, your child's attendance matters. Good attendance helps them thrive not just academically but personally, socially and emotionally too.

please get in contact with the school if you are concerned about your child's attendance.