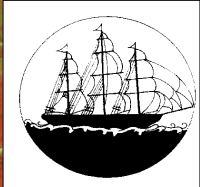


Learning for life!

Meridian Update



Term 2

**Monday 31st October to
Wednesday 21st December**

Term 3

**Tuesday 3rd January to Friday
10th February**

Check out our
website:

[www.meridian
school.co.uk](http://www.meridian.school.co.uk)

**Friday
11th**

**November
2016**

Dear Parents/Carers

Winter/Christmas Fair

Our PTFA are currently busy organising our Winter Fair that is taking place on Friday 25th November from 5pm – 7pm in the school car park. If you would like to have a stall, run a stall or help us set up, please contact Nicky (PTFA Chair) nickyb.brown@btinternet.com See our amazing poster at the end of this letter – thanks to Katie Browne (Reception parent) for organising this.

Coats in school

As the weather is getting much colder, please can you make sure your children wear a coat to school so that we can ensure they are warm enough at play time and lunch time. Thank you for your support with this.

Children in Need

A separate letter has gone out today about how we are supporting Children In Need this year. I can't wait to see everyone all dressed in spots!

Christmas Jumper Non-School Uniform Day

In order to support our Winter Fair, children can wear non-school uniform (Christmas jumpers would be amazing!) for a donation of the following: Nursery/Reception cakes; Years 1, 2 & 3 chocolates (packets, boxes or tins please); Years 4, 5 & 6 bottles/gifts. Thank you for your help with this.

Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is our Anti-Bullying week when children will be learning about what bullying is and how to keep safe. This year we are having different workshops for the children in Year 1 – Year 6. Nursery and Reception will be reading stories, having circle time and talking to the children in class about keeping safe. As part of our ongoing commitment to support parents, we are also running 2 parent workshops about anti-bullying and how we deal with any bullying allegations in school. The parent workshops are: Tuesday 15th November 2.40pm – 3.10pm and Wednesday 16th November 2.30pm – 3.00pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Best wishes

Claire Westcott

Headteacher



Term Dates

Term 2

Monday 31st October – Wednesday 21st
December

Christmas break

Wednesday 21st December – Monday 2nd
January

Term 3

Tuesday 3rd January – Friday 10th February

February break

Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February

Term 4

Monday 20th February – Friday 31st March

Easter break

Monday 3rd April – Monday 17th April

Term 5

Tuesday 18th April – Friday 26th May
(Bank Holiday – Monday 1st May)

May break

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June

Term 6

Monday 5th June – Friday 21st July

**PLEASE NOTE THAT NOT ALL INSET DAYS HAVE
BEEN SET AND SO THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL
DAYS WHEN THE SCHOOL IS CLOSED TO
CHILDREN**

Important Dates

- 14.11 KS2 Phonics & Spelling Workshop 8.45 – 9.30**
17.11 KS1 Phonics & Spelling Workshop 8.45 – 9.30
18.11 Reception Phonics & Spelling Workshop 8.45 – 9.30
25.11 KS2 Maths Parent Workshop 8.45 – 9.30
PTFA Christmas Fair – 5pm to 7pm
30.11 Parent Coffee Morning 9am
02.12 Reception Maths Parent Workshop 8.45 – 9.30
Parent Open Afternoon @ 1.45pm
09.12 KS1 Maths Parent Workshop 8.45 – 9.30

Christmas Celebrations

12.12

9.15am: Years 3 and 4 Christmas Celebration to whole school and parents with babies and toddlers
1.30pm: Years 3 and 4 Christmas Celebration (adults only please)

13.12

9.15am: Years 3 and 4 Christmas Celebration (adults only please)
1.30pm: Years 1 and 2 Christmas Production to whole school and parents with babies and toddlers

14.12

9.15am: Years 1 and 2 Christmas Production (adults only please)
1.30pm: Years 1 and 2 Christmas Production (adults only please)

15.12

9.15am: Reception Christmas Production to whole school and parents with babies and toddlers
1.30pm: Reception Christmas Production (adults only please)

16.12

9.15am: Reception Christmas Production (adults only please)
1.30pm: Years 5 and 6 Christmas Celebration to whole school and parents with babies and toddlers

19.12

9.15am: Years 5 and 6 Christmas Celebration (adults only please)
1.30pm: Years 5 and 6 Christmas Celebration (adults only please)

20.12

11.15am: Nursery Christmas Sing Along
2.30pm: Nursery Christmas Sing Along
Christmas parties in the afternoon (Reception – Year 6)

School Nurse Drop Ins

Our school nurse (Sam) is available every Tuesday morning from 8.45am for parents to drop in and chat with her about any concerns you might have about your child.

Please come to the school office to sign in and Sam will meet with you. This wonderful service is no longer provided free of charge and is something that school has purchased to support parents, so please do come along and meet with her if you have any worries at all.

She is really lovely and is able to offer support, advice or signpost you to services you can access.

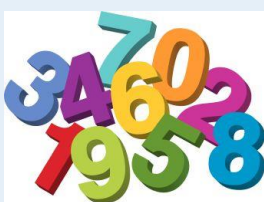


Interested in getting some tips on how to support your child in Maths at home?

Maths Parent Workshops

- Reception Friday 2nd December 8.45 – 9.30
- Key Stage 1 Friday 9th December 8.45 – 9.30
- Key Stage 2 Friday 25th November 8.45 – 9.30

A fun and interactive session to find out how we teach maths and to give you some strategies to continue your child's learning at home



Interested in getting some tips on how to support your child in phonics and spelling at home?

Phonics and Spelling Parent Workshops

- Reception Friday 18th November 8.45 – 9.30
- Key Stage 1 Thursday 17th November 8.45 – 9.30
- Key Stage 2 Friday 25th November 8.45 – 9.30

A fun and interactive session to find out how we teach phonics and spelling and to give you some strategies to continue your child's learning at home



Celebrating Learning!

Don't forget to check out our website for updates to our twitter feed celebrating the wonderful learning that is happening at Meridian!



Meridian Girls Football Team

This week saw our girls attending a football tournament at Seahaven Academy. We played 7 a side matches against Denton, Harbour, Telscombe and Peacehaven Heights and came second overall. Well done to: Tula, Skyla, Ellie, Abbie, Kelly, Isa, Cherry and Keira.

And thank you to all those parents that supported the school – it is so important we participate in these sporting events and to have you there to help with both travel and cheering them on is greatly appreciated.



Swimming Superstar!

Congratulations to Sefia Salih in Year 5 who recently swam in a gala for Brighton Swimming Club and has shown a real talent in this sport.

She won 4 gold medals for the following events: 200m breaststroke, 200m freestyle, 100m butterfly and 200m individual medley.

What an amazing achievement. We are all so proud of her!



MERIDIAN PRIMARY & NURSERY

Tombola

WINTER

Hot Drinks

Craft Stalls

FAIR

Santa's Grotto

FRIDAY 25TH NOVEMBER

5-7pm

**Christmas Activities
for Children**

Chocolates and Cakes

Burgers



**We look forward to seeing everyone at this wonderful event
Meridian PTFA**



Sussex Community
Development Association



Advice &
Inclusion

CELEBRATION OF LIGHT & Official Launch of World Kitchen Thursday 1st December



3.00pm – 6.30pm

**Community Space Garden, Lewes Road Hut, Off Robinson Road,
Newhaven**

How do you celebrate light in the dark of winter?

Crafts
Story telling



Healthy Food
Music

**We will also be celebrating the launch of the World Kitchen group, who will be
providing hot food for this event.**

Come and see what's happening. All welcome.

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**£2
ENTRY**

New Year...

Resolution Run!

Join us in the New Year to kick start your
resolutions and to show support of a
proposed Peacehaven parkrun



happy
new
year!
2015

**Up to
5k**

2nd January, 2017

Big Park, Peacehaven

10am Start

To register please visit: www.eventbrite.co.uk – search
'Resolution Run'
Spaces limited!

For more information: 01273 516032 (SCDA)

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