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Meridian Update

Term 5

Tuesday 18th April to Friday 26th May

Term 6

Monday 5th June – Friday 21st July
INSET DAYS on Thursday 20th July
and Friday 21st July

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**Meridian Community Primary
School & Nursery**



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**Friday
28th
April
2017**

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back – I hope you had great Easter break and enjoyed the lovely weather!

The next two terms are really busy – do have a look at all the important dates to make sure you don't miss out on anything. These dates are also available on the school website.

Sea and Coasts

The whole school is learning about Sea and Coasts this term and the classrooms and bay areas are starting to look really great! Check out our website for the curriculum overviews so that you can see what your children will be learning about in terms 5 and 6 www.meridianschool.co.uk/about-us/curriculum/year-group-information

Thank you to those parents who were able to come along to our Curriculum Chats to find out more about the exciting learning opportunities the teachers have planned.

Meridian website app

You are now able to download our app so that you can access our website more easily via your phone or tablet. The app is available through google play or the app store. If you have any questions or comments about this, please do contact Mr Doody – you can call him or e-mail the office who will forward your e-mail to him.

Trim Trail

EMCOR worked incredibly hard over the Easter Holidays cleaning, decorating and maintaining the school site. As part of this, they mended the Trim Trail and filled the base with bark so that the children can use this again at play time and lunch time. **Please can you ensure that your children do not use the Trim Trail after school – we cannot guarantee access to a First Aider if there was an accident. The school cannot accept responsibility for any injuries caused once your children are in your care.** Thank you for your support with this.

Children's Parade

Don't forget we are taking part in the annual Brighton Festival Children's Parade on Saturday 6th May – if you would like to come along and watch the parade, head into Brighton and look out for our school banner!

Best wishes

C. Westcott

Claire Westcott
(Headteacher)



TERM DATES

Term 5

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

**INSET DAY on Friday 26th May – school closed
for staff training.**

May break

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June

Term 6

Monday 5th June – Friday 21st July

**INSET DAYS on Thursday 20th July and Friday
21st July – school closed for staff training**

Term 1

Monday 4th September – Friday 20th October

**INSET days on Monday 4th September and
Tuesday 5th September – school closed for staff
training. Children back to school on
Wednesday 6th September**

Important Dates

- 03.05 Parent Coffee Morning @9am
04.05 Annexe and Hall used for Polling Day
06.05 Brighton Children's Parade
12.05 PTFA Disco
25.05 Year 5 Assembly to Parents @9am
26.05 School closed for staff training
16.06 Year 1 Assembly to Parents @9am
19.06 Year 6 Residential all week
22.06 Parent Coffee Morning @9am
23.06 Reception Assembly to Parents @9am
28.06 Reception/KS1 Sports Afternoon @1.30pm
29.06 KS2 Sports Afternoon @ 1.30pm
30.06 Year 3 Assembly to Parents @9am
07.07 Year 2 Assembly to Parents @9am
Curriculum Open Afternoon from 1.45pm
10.07 Healthy Living Week
14.07 Year 4 Assembly to Parents @9am
18.07 Year 6 Production to whole school and
parents with babies/toddlers @9am
Year 6 Production to Parents @6pm
20.07 School closed for staff training
21.07 School closed for staff training

04.09 School closed for staff training
05.09 School closed for staff training
06.09 Children back to school

Healthy Snacks and Drinks

Don't forget that from September, we are changing our policy on snacks in school to promote and support healthy eating.

This means that children may only bring in a portion of fruit/vegetables to help them eat their five a day!

If you want to start supporting the school with this now, then that would be great!

Also, please remember that you are only able to send your child into school with water – no squash or juice please. Water is the best way to stay hydrated and is sugar and additive free.

Please help us to support your children in making healthy choices.

School Uniform

If you are planning to buy school uniform over the next few weeks, please can I remind you that trousers, shorts, skirts and pinafores need to be grey – not black. We are starting to see some black creeping in and obviously this is not our school uniform policy.

If you are thinking about summer school uniform, please remember that children can wear plain black, white or brown sensible sandals with a back strap in the summer. Socks must also be worn to protect their feet. No wedges, jellies or flip flops please

Thank you for your support with this

P.E. Kits

It is really important that all children have P.E. kits in school – shorts, t-shirt, tracksuit, trainers/plimsolls. There are increasing numbers of children without their P.E. kits in school. Please help us to ensure that they are able to fully take part in this lesson!

Active Kids vouchers

We are collecting Active Kids vouchers from Sainsbury's again this year. It is great way for us to get free equipment and resources for school. So please do send these in if you shop in Sainsbury's – you could also get friends and family to collect them too!



NO SMOKING

Meridian Primary School operates a no smoking site, this includes on the school grounds, such as the playground and school field. Please can all adults refrain from smoking, including e-cigarettes, on the school grounds.

Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.



Attendance

Excellent attendance at school is so important so that children do not miss the vital teaching and learning that takes place every day in class and do not fall behind.

EVERY LESSON COUNTS!

Each week we celebrate the class with the best attendance and they earn coins for their treasure chest on the class behaviour board.

Children were given certificates last week if they achieved excellent attendance (97% - 99%) or 100% attendance in term 4. Well done to all those children that got these certificates.

The class with the best attendance last term was: 1A (Seahorse Class) with 97.4%

Well done to the following class so far this term:
Week 1: 2MD (Mermaid Class) 98.9%

Letters are being sent out to parents next week if we have any concerns about your child/children's attendance and/or punctuality.

If you would like support with any attendance worries you may have, do make appointment with either Ms Maslen (Assistant Headteacher) or Mrs Skippings (Learning Mentor)

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 be able to offer health support, advice or signpost you to services you can access.



Polling Station

Don't forget that the school hall is out of action next week on Thursday 4th May as we are being used as a polling station.

If you have not ordered a packed lunch from the school kitchen, don't forget you will need to send your child in with their own packed lunch on this day

Thank you!

ALLERGY INFORMATION: If your child has an allergy or intolerance please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child.

Meridian Summer Menu 2017

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	Main	Macaroni Pasitsio with Garlic Bread	Roast Gammon with Roast New Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken Curry with Rice	Salmon/or White Fish Finger with Chips Tomato Sauce
	Vegetarian	Vegetarian Sausage with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Spinach & Tomato Quiche with Baby New Potatoes	Lentil & Vegetable Curry and Rice	French Bread Pizza with Chips Potatoes
	Dessert	Carrots Garden Peas Low Sugar Plum & Vanilla Sponge Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Broccoli Sweet corn Banana Wholemeal Loaf Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Mixed Seasonal Vegetables Rice Crispy Square Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Baked Beans Garden Peas Fresh Fruit Salad Yoghurt
Week 2	Main	Chicken & Broccoli Pasta	Beef Burger in a Bun with Salad and Baked Wedges	Roast Chicken & Stuffing with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Battered Fish Chips, Tomato Sauce
	Vegetarian	Mixed Bean Cassoulet with Rice	Vegetable & Lentil Burger	Lentil & Vegetable Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Feta, Tomato and Spinach Quiche with Chips
	Dessert	Garden Peas & Sweetcorn Mix Cherry Sponge Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Salad	Mixed Salad Coleslaw Carrot & Courgette Cake with Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Fresh Mixed Seasonal Vegetables Low Sugar Fruit Trifle Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Salad	Baked Beans Garden Peas Fruit Smoothie Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Salad
Week 3	Main	Ham and Pineapple Pizza with Baked Wedges	Meat balls in Tomato Sauce with Wholemeal Pasta	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Fishwich with Chips, Tomato Sauce
	Vegetarian	Cheese Pizza with Baked Wedges	Potato and Courgette Layer Bake with Jacket Potato	Vegetarian Wellington with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetarian Hotdog with Chips
	Dessert	Coleslaw Mixed Salad Apple Flapjack Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Salad	Cabbage and Carrots Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Broccoli and Cauliflower Yoghurt & Raisin Sponge Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Garden Peas Baked Beans Pear & Ginger Muffin Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Salad



Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings (where advertised)
Bread freshly baked on site daily
Daily salad selection
Fresh fruit and yoghurt

Available Daily