

# MJS NEWSLETTER

Friday 28th November 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see so many of you at the Y3-5 parents evening this week. I overheard many conversations where parents were sharing with their child how proud they were of them, and this was delightful to hear.

Christmas songs have been heard this week during rehearsals, and decorations have started to go up around school, but we still have 3 busy weeks to go, including our Christmas Fair next weekend which we are looking forward to.

Missen and Hyde have enjoyed their house non-uniform days this week, and information on Lowe and Ivory's days will be shared next week as they edge closer to their target.

As well as end of term dates, I have also shared future school event dates in this newsletter so please look out for these.

Wishing you an enjoyable weekend.

Best Wishes

Mr Pike

Headteacher

**Together  
Everyone  
Achieves  
More  
at MJS**

## Monday 1st December 2025

3JD—Biscuit Making Project

Yr 6 Parent Consultations

Boys Football - 4AW, 4JM & 4OC

Girls Football - Y3 & 4AW

Netball Club - Group 1

Y6 Math Art Club

## Tuesday 2nd December 2025

Book Nook Book Fair

3ST—Biscuit Making Project

Girls Football - Y5 & Y6

Let's Dance Club

Y3 Craft Club Group 2 - 3SR & 3ST

Y5 Hockey Club

## Wednesday 3rd December 2025

Book Nook Book Fair

Forest School session - Launchpad

Swimming - 4AW & 4OC (last)

Girls Football Competition @K2

Y6 Boys Football

Y4 Chess Club - Group 2

Choir Club

## Thursday 4th December 2025

3SL—Biscuit Making Project

Forest School session - 3HB

Dare Dance Club

## Friday 5th December 2025

3HB—Biscuit Making Project

Storm Basketball

Cheneler Musical Theatre



## YEAR 3 BISCUIT-TASTING

As part of their Design Technology project, Year 3 has been tasting different biscuit ingredients to get inspiration for their own. As you can imagine it was a very popular activity, although not all faces agreed!



## TT ROCKSTAR RESULTS—ENGLAND ROCKS

After sharing our amazing results last week in assembly and in the newsletter, I can now share the most valuable players in each class during this competition. Well done to the following children:



Year 3 - Anthoni (3HB), Sophie (3ST), James (3SR), Ayaansh (3SL) and Nylah-Rose (3JD)

Year 4 - Grayson (4JM), Aiden (4AW), Jackson (4PG), Eden (4GH) and Jaxon (4OC)

Year 5 - Oliver (5DO), Aleaza (5JH), Teghdeep (5HW), Veer (5GK) and Isla (5EH)

Year 6 - Jake (6CP), Daisy (6SC), Mia (6EA), Seb (6BM) and Jack (6SB)

## CHRISTMAS FAIR PLEA

The Christmas fair raises valuable funds for both of the schools. We really want to be able to run this event, but unfortunately we do not have enough helpers to run stalls at the fair. Please use this link if you are able to offer any time to help.

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Your help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.



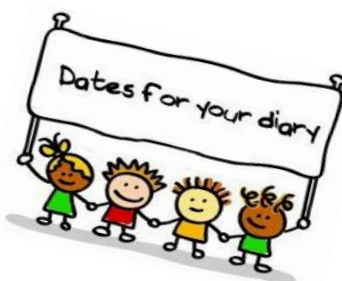


## WATERPROOF COATS

Due to the inclement weather please can we request that you send your child to school with a waterproof coat for playtimes. Thank you.



Week	Date	Event
13	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Y6 Parents Meeting
	Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fair 1-4pm
14	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Chartwells Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper Day
15	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3 End of Term Show 2pm
	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Y4 End of Term Show 2pm
	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Y5 End of Term Show 2pm
	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term. 1.15pm finish.



Week	Date	Event
<b>SPRING TERM 2026</b>		
1	Monday 5th January	INSET DAY
6	Wednesday 11th February	School disco
	Monday 16th—Friday 20th Feb	HALF-TERM
10 and 11	Wednesday 18th March	Parents Evening, with afternoon sessions in this fortnight
11	Thursday 26th March	Last day of term. 1:15pm finish
	Friday 27th March	INSET DAY
	Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April	EASTER HOLIDAYS
<b>SUMMER TERM 2026</b>		
5	Monday 11th May	SATs Week
	Monday 25th - Friday 29th May	HALF-TERM
7	Monday 1st June	INSET DAY
11	Thursday 25th June	Lower School Sports Day am
	Friday 26th June	Upper School Sports Day am
12	Wednesday 1st July	Transition Day
15	Wednesday 22nd July	Last day of term 1:15pm finish.

# THE BOOK NOOK

## Book Fair

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

**ALL sales go towards NEW books  
for OUR school!**



# THE BOOK NOOK

Independent Children's Bookshop

First Avenue, Hove. BN3 2FJ. [www.booknookuk.com](http://www.booknookuk.com)





# MAIDENBOWER SCHOOLS CHRISTMAS FAIR

HARVEST ROAD, CRAWLEY RH10 7RA

JOIN US  
**1-4PM**

**SATURDAY**  
**6TH**  
**DECEMBER**

Meet Santa in the Grotto

FOOD, DRINK AND MULLED WINE

Arts and Crafts

MARKETPLACE

Elfridges gift room

RAFFLE & GAMES

**Book your tickets for the grotto**





# Santa's Grotto

Saturday  
6th  
December

at Maidenbower Junior School

1-4 pm

£4 per child  
Gift included\*

\*Gift only included with a purchased ticket

Santa's Grotto

Booking essential via  
Online or QR code



<https://pta.events/juniors-grotto25>





**SUPPORT  
OUR LOTTERY  
TODAY**

**£1 per  
week**

**Weekly  
cash prizes**

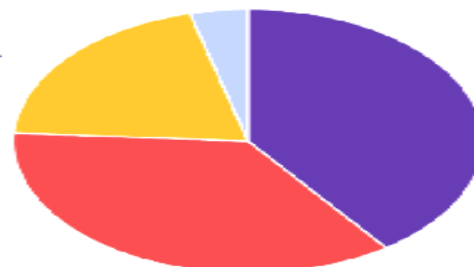
**£25,000  
jackpot**



**YOUR  
SCHOOL  
LOTTERY**



### Splitting the £1.00



- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

### How it works...

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Maidenbower Junior School

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

**It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Maidenbower Junior School**

**The Maths...** 100 tickets sold a week means  
= £30 weekly cash prize  
= £2,080 a year for our school



**Enter our  
Super Draw**

**Win a Nintendo Switch 2 bundle  
– or take the cash!**

**PLUS £500 for your school!**



- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Chances to win up to £25,000
- Win a gaming bundle or take the cash!
- PLUS £500 for our school!

**BUY TICKETS**



**YOUR  
SCHOOL  
LOTTERY**



GambleAware

See website for Terms & conditions. Enter by 29/11/25.

## Mindfulness Club

*A nurturing, creative, fun  
after-school club  
for Maidenbower Junior School  
For children in Years 1- 6*

### At Mindfulness Club we will:

- Explore our emotions using the arts and play
- Learn new ways to manage and explore feelings
- Have space to de-stress and be creative
- Find calm, peace and support
- Have fun and get to know ourselves and each other!

Mindfulness club will be run by the same child therapist every week.

**Day and Time:** Thursday's, 3.15-4.15pm

**Dates:** Spring term, 10 weeks, from 15<sup>th</sup> January – 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Cost:** £9 per child, per week- **First payment deposit of £10**

***Bonus for parents and guardians:** If your child attends Creative Emotions club you will be given free access to the Your Space Therapies 'Boost the Bond webinar' so you can learn key strategies to support your child's emotional and mental health.*

**To book please click this Eventbrite link:**

**[Maidenbower Mindfulness Club- Book Now!](#)**



N.B We are unable to provide refunds for this club once spaces are booked. After we have received your booking, we will email you from [bookings@yourspacetherapies.org](mailto:bookings@yourspacetherapies.org) with an essential registration form to complete. Thank you.



# Supporting your child with fears, worries and emotional resilience



## Online Parent Workshops



### by Thought-Full MHST

Does your child **worry**? About a variety of themes?

Do you feel they worry **a lot?** or **too much?**

If so, this course is for you!

**Thought-Full** mental health support team is hosting a series of online parent workshops which use evidence-based approaches to help you to better understand your child's fears and worries and support their emotional wellbeing.

### Thursdays



 **5:30-6:45pm**

#### SESSION TITLES

**13/11 Understanding anxiety & worries**

**20/11 Strategies to support Session 1**

**27/11 Strategies to support Session 2**

**4/12 Emotion Coaching**

**11/12 Encouraging Resilience**



LEARN ABOUT THE BRAIN



GAIN IDEAS



SHARE QUICK WINS



CONNECT WITH OTHER FAMILIES



PROBLEM SOLVE TOGETHER



**How?**

To secure your place, email these details:

1. Your full name
2. Your child's school
3. Your preferred contact email address to [Thought-full@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:Thought-full@westsussex.gov.uk)

