

MJS NEWSLETTER

Friday 7th November 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely half-term break.

Today is a big day in the MJS calendar with our Fireworks event and we hope to see lots of here later tonight. Please be aware that when you collect your children today, there will be funfair rides on the lower school playground and around parts of the school site. This will mean the playground will seem very busy and more crowded than normal so please keep your children away from these and close to you.

Year 4's space topic has started this week with a bang (excuse the pun!). The children had a great topic day on Tuesday where the highlight was definitely the VR headset activity, and the most incredible space projects have arrived in school this week as well. The children have been so proud of them and we hope that you enjoyed working with your child on their project.

Thank you for your support and cooperation with the car park changes. This has been very successful and has increased the safety for our pupils, along with those from the infant school.

If anyone can spare a short amount of time tomorrow morning, there is a community litter pick to make sure the premises and surrounding area are safe and clear after fireworks. This will be from 8-9am tomorrow morning.

Best Wishes

Mr Pike

Headteacher

**Together
Everyone
Achieves
More
at MJS**

Monday 10th November 2025

Y2 Open Afternoon & Tour 1.30pm

Girls Football League @ ICC

Forest School session - 5GK

Boys Football - 4AW, 4JM & 4OC

Girls Football - Y3 & 4AW

Netball Club - Group 2

Y6 Math Art Club

Tuesday 11th November 2025

Forest School session - 4OC

Girls Football - Y5 & Y6

Let's Dance Club

Y3 Craft Club Group 2 - 3SR & 3ST

Y5 Hockey Club

Wednesday 12th November 2025

Yr4 Quicksticks Hockey Competition
@ Hazlewick

Forest School session - Launchpad

Swimming - 4AW & 4OC

Y6 Boys Football

Y4 Chess Club - Group 2

Choir Club

Thursday 13th November 2025

Forest School session - 3SR

Friday 14th November 2025

Forest School session - 6BM

PARENT CONSULTATION MEETINGS—YEAR 3-5

This term's parent meetings are approaching for Years 4, 5 and 6. Year 3 has recently had separate dates for this.

The booking system to book an appointment with your child's class teacher will go live on Monday 10th November at 10am. You will receive an email to link you to this site.

The dates for meetings are as follows:

Year 4 - Monday 24th November (1-3pm)

- Thursday 27th November (3:30 - 6:30pm)

Year 5 - Tuesday 25th November (1-3pm)

- Thursday 27th November (3:30 - 6:30pm)

Year 6 - Thursday 27th November (3:30 - 6:30pm)

- Monday 1st December (1-3pm)

*Please note that communication to 6SB parents about this will go out next week to confirm exacts dates and times.

The Launchpad - Thursday 20th November (9am - 3pm)

- Thursday 27th November (3:30 - 6:30pm)



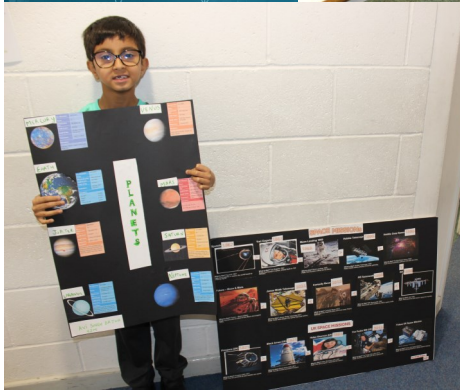
YEAR 5/6 NETBALL FESTIVAL

A squad of netball players represented the school this week in a local netball festival at K2. The aim of festivals is to introduce the game to children where they practise skills and play friendly matches against other schools.

Well done to everyone involved for representing the school so well.



Y4 SPACE PROJECTS

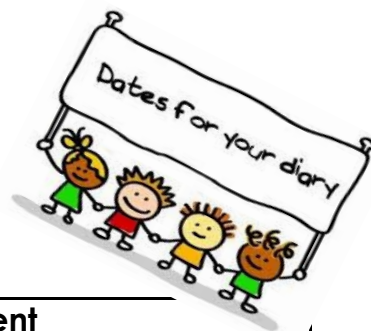


Y4 SPACE DAY



CHRISTMAS 4 SCHOOLS FUNDRAISER

A REMINDER THAT MONDAY 10TH November is the deadline to return art work back to school if you wish to make an order.



Week	Date	Event
11	Monday 17 th November	Y6 Bikeability (all week)
12	Monday 24 th November	Y4 Parent Meetings (1 – 3pm)
	Tuesday 25 th November	Y5 Parent Meetings (1 – 3pm)
	Wednesday 26 th November – Flu vaccinations	
	Thursday 27 th November	Parents Evening (3:30 – 6:00pm)
13	Monday 1 st December	Y6 Parents Meeting
	Saturday 7 th December	Christmas Fair
14	Wednesday 10 th December	Chartwells Christmas Lunch
15	Monday 15 th December	Y3 End of Term Show 2pm
	Tuesday 16 th December	Y4 End of Term Show 2pm
	Wednesday 17 th December	Y5 End of Term Show 2pm
	Friday 19 th December	Last day of term. 1.15pm finish.

Christmas Lunch

Serving on Wednesday 10th December

MAINS

Roast Turkey
Or
Quorn Roast

SIDES

Roast Potatoes, Stuffing,
Mini Sausage, Gravy,
Broccoli & Carrots

DESSERTS

Festive Chocolate Brownie

Order on ParentPay.com no later than
Thursday 27th November.
Book in advance to avoid disappointment



www.ParentPay.com



Chartwells

<https://www.chartwells.co.uk/west-sussex/>

RECOMMENDED READING - (LINKED TO THIS HALF-TERM'S TOPICS)

YEAR 3 - SOUND

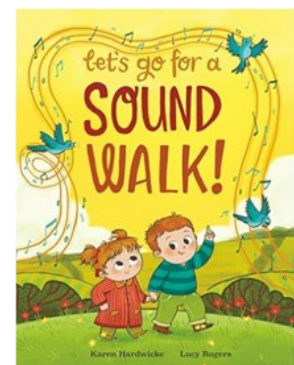
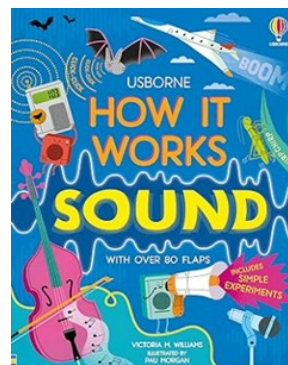
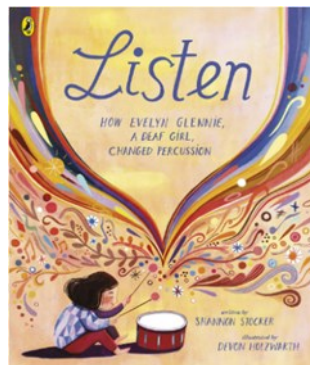
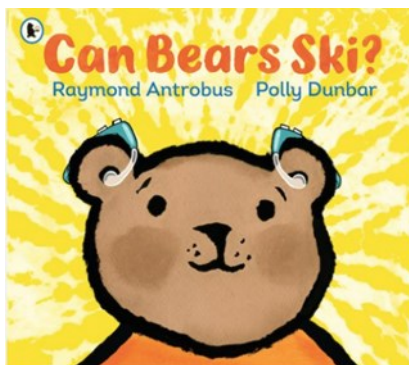
Listen: How Evelyn Glennie, a deaf girl, changed percussion by Shannon Stocker

Can Bears Ski? by Polly Dunbar

Let's go for a sound walk! by Karen Hardwicke

Can you feel the noise? by Stewart Foster

How It Works: Sound by Usborne Books



YEAR 4 - SPACE

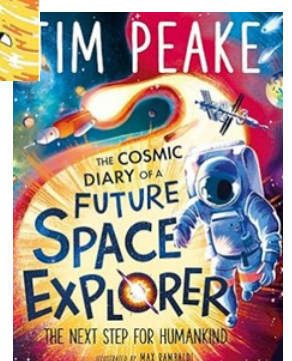
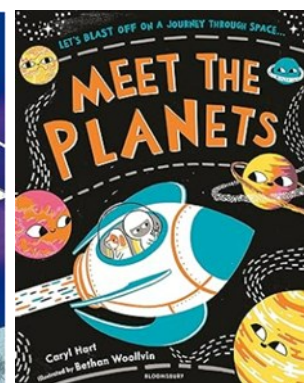
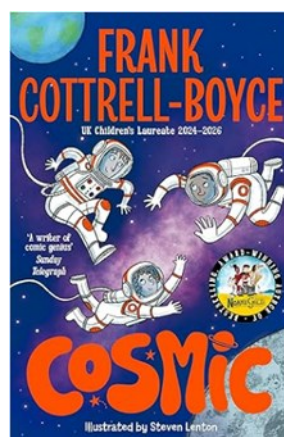
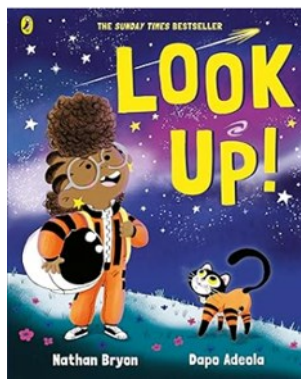
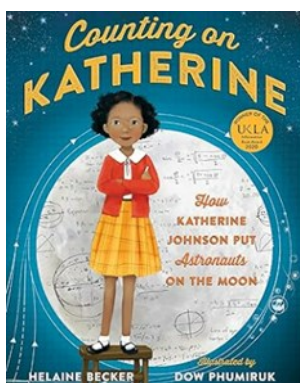
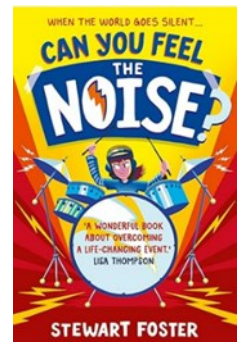
The Cosmic Diary of a Future Space Explorer by Tim Peake

Meet the Planets by Caryl Hart

Counting on Katherine by Helaine Becker

Look Up! by Nathan Bryan

Cosmic by Frank Cottrell-Boyce



RECOMMENDED READING - (LINKED TO NEXT HALF-TERM'S TOPICS)

YEAR 5 - THE HUMAN BODY

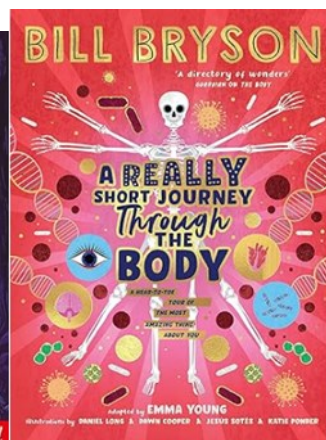
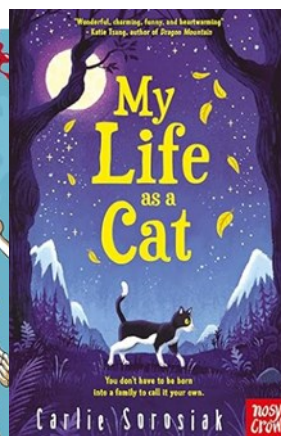
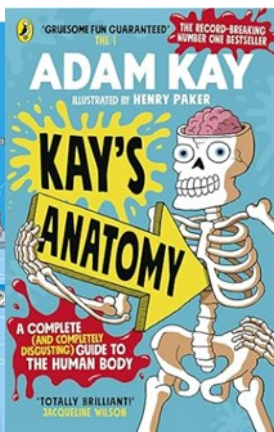
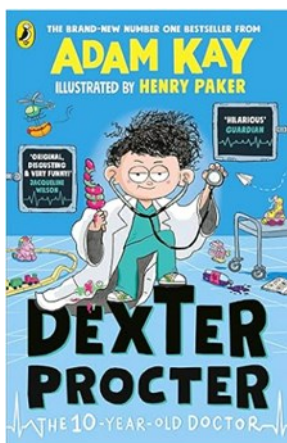
Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman

A Really Short Journey Through the Body by Bill Bryson

My Life as a Cat by Carlie Sorosiak

Kay's Anatomy by Adam Kay

Dexter Proctor: The 10-Year-Old Doctor by Adam Kay



YEAR 6 - EVOLUTION

Darwin's Dragons by Lindsay Galvin

The 1,000 Year Old Boy by Ross Welford

Charles Darwin's On the Origin of Species by Sabina Redeva

Amazing Evolution: The Journey of Life by Anna Claybourne

The Light Thieves by Helena Duggan





UK Health
Security
Agency

NHS

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox

at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over

Diarrhoea and Vomiting

48 hours after their last episode

Cold and Flu-like illness
(including COVID-19)

they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.

Impetigo

their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics

Measles

4 days after the rash first appeared

Mumps

5 days after the swelling started

Scabies

they've had their first treatment

Scarlet Fever

24 hours after they started taking antibiotics

Whooping Cough

48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth

Glandular fever

Head lice

Tonsillitis

Threadworms

Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.



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



SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY

**£1 per
week**

**Weekly
cash prizes**

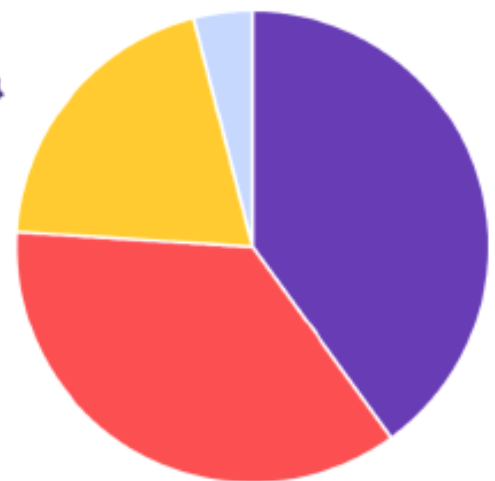
**£25,000
jackpot**



**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



Buy A Ticket

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Spanish Club MJS

Thursdays at lunchtime
at the Studio.

Group 1: 12.00pm-12.30pm

Group 2: 12.30pm-1.00pm

Parents will be informed about the group before the club starts.

Fees: £68.00 (Autumn Term 2025)

From 11th September to
11th December (Term time only)



Your children's first Spanish words, that will give them grounding for future learning at **Secondary School** with **confidence** and **enthusiasm**. Children will learn through games, activity sheets and **songs**, in a non-formal way, just having a good time in contact with an experienced **native speaker**.

Apart from the Spanish Language, I will show them that there is a whole world out there full of **traditions**, **festivals**, **culture** and interesting facts for them to discover.

If your child would like to join it, please **contact me** directly for more information, trial session or enrolment form.

Gracias 😊

DBS Checked
First Aid trained

GCSE and A-LEVELS Speaking Exams at a Secondary School



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