

MJS NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th October 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a week! Children and staff stepped up brilliantly to the pressures of having Ofsted inspectors in school for two days this week. Children had lots of opportunities to talk to our visitors about their experiences of school and to show off their learning, while staff continued to do what they do so brilliantly each and every day. Thank you to parents who completed the survey and I know many of you spoke to our visitors on the playground.

A discussion that has warmed the hearts of staff this week was when two of the inspectors told us that they would love to work at our school – this says a great deal about the MJS community that we are all a vital part of.

The Ofsted report will be available for you to read much closer to Christmas.

Thank you to all the helpers who made Pizza Days possible this week and to everyone who brought in food for Open House as part of our Harvest assemblies.

As we approach half-term, a reminder next Friday is INSET Day and school will be closed to children.

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend.

Best Wishes
Mr Pike
Headteacher

**Together
Everyone
Achieves
More
at MJS**

Monday 19th October 2026

Boeing Workshop – Yr4
French Club
Into The Wild Lesson - 5GK
Y6 Netball Club
Group 1 3DO & 3SG
Boys Football Club
Rhythm Masters Club

Tuesday 20th 2026 October

Boeing Workshop – Yr4
Y5 Bough Beech Trip
Yoga Bugs Club
Into The Wild Lesson - 4SB
Y5 & Y6 Lets Dance Club
Y5 & Y6 Nature Club
Y5 & Y6 Girls Football
Y5 Hockey Club

Wednesday 21st October 2026

Y5 Bough Beech Trip
Quicksticks Hockey @ Hazlewick
Yr 4 Swimming Lessons (4PG & 4SB)
Y3 Chess Club (4PG Classroom)
Y6 Boys Football
Choir Club - Cancelled

Thursday 22nd October 2026

Y5 Bough Beech Trip
Into the wild – LP (Purple) & 3SR
Spanish Club
Dare Dance
Y3 & Y4 Football Club

Friday 23rd October 2026

Inset Day – School Closed

BUSY WEEK OF FOOTBALL ...

CRAWLEY BOYS' LEAGUE

A busy week of football started on Monday with a team of Y6 boys starting the Crawley League season. For most of the boys, this was their first chance to play for the team this year and they stepped up brilliantly, winning four of their matches, drawing two and losing one. Well done to everyone involved.



COUNTY FINALS – ALBION CUP

After recent success, both our girls' and boys' team returned to Brighton's training ground in Lancing to take part in the county finals with dreams of progressing to the national competition.

The boys played first and progressed through their group, finishing 2nd. In the semi-final, the boys played a hard-fought match which went to penalties before being edged out 7-6. A tough way to lose but the team put in some great performances.

In the afternoon, it was the girls' turn, who also progressed from their group and faced a penalty shootout in the semi-finals. This time, the girls were triumphant and they then played the final where they were narrowly defeated 1-0. Reaching the final of a county competition is a great achievement, well done girls.



Maidenbower
Junior School

HARVEST ASSEMBLY



MAIDENBOWER FIREWORKS – SAVE THE DATE

This year's Maidenbower Schools' Firework Night is Friday 6th November 2026. This is always a very popular event for the community and three schools and raises much-needed funds.

Please use the following link to take you to the page to purchase tickets:
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/maidenbowerjuniors/index.cfm>

Advanced tickets are discounted and we encourage this as there are limited tickets for the event.



Flu Vac Reminder

The Immunisation Service are coming into school on 3rd November 2026 to offer your child the Flu vaccination.

To complete a consent form:
<https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu?schoolcode=SX131603>

YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL DEADLINE

A reminder to all Year 6 parents that the deadline for secondary school placements is **31st October 2026**.



Tuesday 20th - Thursday 22nd October	Y5 Bough Beech trips
Friday 23rd October	INSET Day - school closed
Monday 26th - Friday 30th October	HALF-TERM
Tues 3rd November	Flu vaccinations Y4 Space Immersion Day
Friday 6th November	Fireworks Night
Monday 30th November	Year 4 Parent Meetings 1-3pm
Tuesday 1st December	Year 5 Parent Meetings 1-3pm
Thursday 3rd December	Parents evening—Years 4, 5 and 6
Monday 7th December	Year 6 Parent Meetings 1-3pm
Thursday 10th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 14th December	Year 3 show 2pm
Tuesday 15th December	Year 4 show 2pm
Wednesday 16th December	Year 5 show 2pm



Year 6 SATs Week - week beginning 10th May

Year 3 and 4 Sports Day - 1st July

Year 5 and 6 Sports Day - 2nd July



PARENTING MENTAL HEALTH COURSE - CRAWLEY

FREE!

A 6 week course for parents/carers to gain knowledge and understanding around supporting your child/ren & young people's mental health, offering a safe space to reflect and gain peer support along the way.

Topics covered include; 5 ways to well-being, self esteem, anxiety, emotional regulation, communication, parenting styles, attachment, teenage brain re-wiring and parental self-compassion.

This course is open to any parent/carer of a child aged 5-18 living or attending school in West Sussex and able to commit to the 6 sessions.

DATES

Thursday 5th November
Thursday 12th November
Thursday 19th November
Thursday 26th November
Thursday 3rd December
Thursday 10th December

LOCATION

Crawley Community
Action,
The Orchard,
1-2 Gleneagles Court
Brighton Road,
Crawley
RH10 6AD

TIME

10am - 12.30pm
weekly

Refreshments
provided



To secure your place or for more information, please email:
[parentingsupport @westsussexmind.org](mailto:parentingsupport@westsussexmind.org)



¡Hablamos
español!

Learn.
Speak.
Have fun!



SPANISH CLUB

AT MAIDENBOWER JUNIOR SCHOOL



Build confidence
in Spanish



Fun games, activities
and conversations



Discover Spanish culture,
traditions and fun facts



A great start for
school and beyond!

WHEN & WHERE



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.

INTERESTED?



martaleiva.bru@gmail.com



07936482815

Get in touch for more information,
a trial session or to enrol.



DBS
CHECKED



FIRST AID
TRAINED



¡Qué rico!

¡Delicioso!

DATES



From
10th September
to 10th December
(Term time only)

PRICE

£65



¡España! ♥

Language today,
opportunities tomorrow.



PRIVATE TUITION
FOR
GCSE AND A-LEVELS

Supporting your child's success
in Spanish exams.
Get in touch for more information.





Yogabugs is a fun and creative class that develops confidence and self esteem through embodied movement and expression. The children are introduced to traditional yoga poses, breathing techniques, meditation, mantra, mudras and journaling. The classes are planned around the ancient wisdom and knowledge of Ayurveda, according to the seasons. I have a love for language and take pleasure in writing original and well know stories. The stories engage the children's imagination and creativity, giving them the confidence to express themselves through the movement.

The class is carefully structured to develop coordination, balance, strength, flexibility taking into consideration the individual needs. Through yoga I teach the children how to calm the nervous system as well as offering tools to support emotional regulation.

Some of the overall benefits of yoga are improved concentration, better sleep patterns, greater self-esteem, reducing stress and anxiety, support emotional regulation and improves low mood, as well as a great form of exercise.

Yogabug Classes.

I am very pleased to offer two classes at Maidenbower Junior School on Tuesdays. There are limited number of places available and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. If your child would like to join, then please contact me for more information.

Lunch club - Tuesdays 12-1pm After School - Tuesday 3.15-4.15pm

Tracey Williams 07813187315 williamst93@hotmail.com
www.childrencyogawithtraceywilliams.com

About Me

I am a Primary school teacher and trained in adult and children's yoga. I have been teaching yoga for twenty years in schools and nurseries in and around the locality. I love yoga, walking, sewing, gardening, writing and travelling. I live with my husband, two daughters, a cat, 5 chickens and a tortoise called Winter.



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PLAYERS
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HAVE FUN. PLAY RUGBY**



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MAKE NEW FRIENDS
AND BUILD
CONFIDENCE



SKILLS
LEARN THE GAME
IN A FUN AND SAFE
ENVIRONMENT



**NATIONAL RUGBY CLUB
OF THE YEAR**
2019, 2023, 2024, 2025



QUALIFIED COACHES
FULLY QUALIFIED
DBS CHECKED
AND FIRST AID TRAINED

COME AND BE PART OF THE CRAWLEY RFC FAMILY

MORE INFO

 RECRUITMENT@CRAWLEYRFC.COM

SUNDAYS AT 10AM

PITCH UP AND PLAY

 **DM US ON SOCIAL MEDIA**

CRAWLEY RFC

FREE TASTER SESSIONS



HOLIDAY CAMPS

THIS OCTOBER HALF TERM



SPORTS



GAMES



SWIMMING



ACTIVITIES



AND MORE

Making school holidays active, exciting and full of fun!

TWO CRAWLEY VENUES



**MILTON MOUNT
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Reception – Year 6

Tue 27 – Thu 29 October



K2 LEISURE CENTRE

Year 1 – Year 7

Tue 27 – Fri 30 October

FIND OUT MORE
activestars.co.uk



DARE

DANCE ACADEMY

STREET DANCE

AT MAIDENBOWER JUNIOR SCHOOL



TIME
3:15PM –
4:00PM



WHEN
THURSDAYS
AFTER SCHOOL



WHO
YEARS
3 – 6

LEARN **COOL MOVES**,
BUILD **CONFIDENCE**,
AND **HAVE FUN!**

CONTACT US

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Ollie's RHYTHM MASTER CLUB

"OUTSTANDING!" (OFSTED May 2026)

ollieheath.com



Beatbox, Sing, Rap & Drum

What will your child experience in the club?

Learn to beatbox, learn to sing, learn to rap and make beats with everything! Each term we learn new songs, raps and rhythms. So, if you've been before, there's more to learn, much more!

Pupils will all get to make music with 'Rhythm Master Microphones' and a wide range of percussion and drums.

More than Music!

Benefits include improvement in **confidence, creativity, cooperation and concentration.**

About Ollie:

Ollie is a qualified Teacher, guest lecturer, professional musician and YouTuber.

He has been running workshops and training Teachers across the UK and beyond for 25 years.

Day: Mondays

Times: 3.15 - 4.15pm

Open to: Yr 1 - Yr 6



Dates:

21/9, 28/10, 5/10, 12/10

19/10, 2/11, 9/11,

16/11, 23/11, 30/11

Cost: £7 per class

Total: £70 (7 classes)

Don't want your child to miss out?

Rhythm Masters usually books up fast. So, do not delay, sign your child up today. **LINK BELOW.**

Purchase a Space for Rhythm Masters

ollieheath.com/maidenbowerjunior

Maidenbower Infant School

TABLE TOP SALE

NOVEMBER

22

Sunday

9am – 12:30pm

Come Along and Grab a Bargain!

- ☒ Household Items, ☒ Clothes & Accessories
- ☒ Toys & Games, ☒ Books & Media

SELLERS WELCOME

Book your table today for just £10!

✉ jchapmancohen@maidenbowerinfant.w-sussex.sch.uk

FREE ENTRY or £2 for early entry 08.30

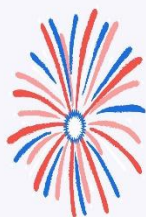
Refreshments Available

Don't Miss Out on Great Deals and Hidden Treasures!

It's Time For
AN
ADVENTURE!

Let's learn
French!

learnfrenchwithcaroline@gmail.com



French classes at Maidenbower Junior School with Caroline Derroncourt

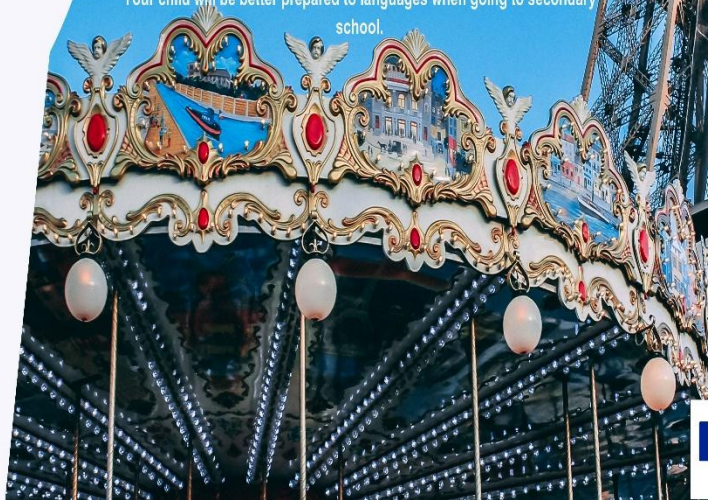
Each Monday from 12.30pm to 13.00 your child can join their schoolmates and learn French in a fun atmosphere, from Year 3.

Small groups so each child gets the attention needed.

Caroline is a French national with years of experience so your child will be learning with a proper accent the language and the culture.

The program complements and enhances languages taught in the curriculum.

Your child will be better prepared to languages when going to secondary school.



Learn French For You

Tuition For Everyone