MJS NEWSLETTER

Friday 19th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is clear that the topics are up to full speed this week as Year 4 enjoyed a science day linked to forces, whilst Year 6 had a Ancient Greece immersion day. This involved Portals from the Past company coming into school to use drama and artefacts to immerse the children. I was extremely proud to receive an email from the actor who worked with the children who said that:

"you are officially my favourite school that I go to, your children are delightful, polite and listen well and I have had a lovely day."

Well done to our Year 6 children who set a great example to other year groups.

Forest school sessions have continued to be enjoyed, with a special shout out to the Launchpad, who I believe are the only class to have had an afternoon of rain so far, two weeks in a row! By the sounds of it, the weather did not dampen the fun.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes

Together
Everyone
Achieves
More
at MJS

Mr Pike

Headteacher

* Please note that external clubs have been taken off the dates on the right. They will take place as usual but we have run out of space! It's a busy week!

Monday 22nd September 2025

Rhythm Master Club commences

Forest School session 5JH

4PG & 4GH Boys Football

Y5 & Y6 Group 1 Netball Club

Tuesday 23rd September 2025

Forest School session 4GH

Y5 & Y6 Girls Football

Let's Dance Club

Y3 Craft Club Group 1

Y6 Hockey Club

Wednesday 24th September 2025

Y6 Junior Citizen Day @ The Hawth

Y4 Swimming Commences

Forest School session Launchpad

Y5 Boys Football

Y3 Chess Club Group 1

Choir Club

Thursday 25h September 2025

Tag Rugby Competition @ St Francis, Southgate

Forest School session 3ST

Y6 Math Art Club

4GH, 4JM & 4OC Girls Football Club

Y6 Math Art Club

Friday 26th September 2025

Forest School session 6CP

MAIDENBOWER MILE

Each term, it is school tradition for all children to take part in the Maidenbower Mile. This is a year group run or walk where children represent and earn points for their house team and aims to support healthy lifestyles whilst giving children the opportunity to run competitively if they wish.

This will take place on **Tuesday 23rd September** and **all children will need to come into school in their PE kits**. For children in 4GH, who have a Forest School session in the afternoon, please can children bring trousers and a long sleeved top into school to get changed into, along with any shoes they wish to change in to.

During the Maidenbower Mile, children have a choice to:

- Run the course as quick as they can
- Run the course leisurely with others
- Walk the course with a friend
- Or a combination of the above

All children that finish the course earn a point for their house, with children who finish in the top 20 finishers earning additional points.

The distances covered are:

Year 3 = 2 laps of the field = 1/2 mile

Year 4 = 3 laps of the field = 3/4 mile

Year 5 and 6 = 4 laps of the field = 1 mile

It is a fun day and many of our older children support the younger children in their event.



YEAR 5/6 BOYS FOOTBALL - CHAMPIONS!

Huge congratulations to our boys football team who took part in their first competition of the season yesterday in the Crawley District Cup. During a busy afternoon, the boys won 5 and drew 2 of their league games, progressing to the final where they narrowly overcame The Oaks to win. What a start to the season for the boys, who were understandably thrilled with their victory.





YEAR 5/6 GIRLS' FOOTBALL

Our girls' football team had their first competition yesterday when they travelled down to Brighton's training facilities in Lancing to take part in the Albion Cup. The girls represented the school brilliantly and successfully reached the semi-finals before losing to a strong team.

Well done to everyone involved.

YEAR 4 SCIENCE — FORCES





YEAR 6

ANCIENT

GREEKDAY





Week	Date	Event
4	24 th September	Y6 Junior Citizen Trip
5	Monday 29 th September	Y3 Parent meetings 1 – 3 pm
	Wednesday 1st October	Y3 Parent Meetings 3:30 – 6:00pm
	Friday 3 rd October	School photos
6	Tuesday 7 th October	Y4 Herstmonceux trip
8	Monday 20 th October	Pizza Day Y3, Y5 and LP
	Tuesday 21st October	Pizza Days Y4 and Y6 Bough Beech (for next 3 days)
	Friday 24 th October	INSET Day
	HALF-TERM – MONDAY 27 TH OCTO	DBER – FRIDAY 31 ST OCTOBER 2025
9	Monday 3 rd November	Year 6 Bikeability (all week)
	Tuesday 4 th November	Y4 VR Space Day
	Friday 7 th November	Fireworks Night
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 1st December	Y6 Parents Meeting
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.

Reminder—

Pizza Day - deadline of 9am Monday 29th September 2025

* We are unable to take orders after this time. Friends of MJS



Ollie's

RHYTHM MASTER CLUB

"OUTSTANDING!" (OFSTED January 2025)

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: Years 3 - 6



Dates:

22/9, 29/9, 6/10, 13/10, 20/10, 3/11, 10/11, 17/11, 24/1 & 1/12

Cost: £7 per class

Total: £70 (10 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



Open Evening & Open Mornings For Prospective Parents '2026 Intake'

The Staff & Students of Oriel High invite you to our Open Evening & Open Mornings



Open Evening: Thursday 2nd October 6pm - 8.30pm

Headteacher's presentations taking place during the evening can be booked using the links below.

6pm, 6.00pm Headteacher presentation. New Year 7 (Sept 2026) Intake Open Evening Tickets,

Multiple Dates | Eventbrite

6.45pm, 6.45pm Headteacher presentation. New Year 7 (Sept 2026) Intake Open Evening Tickets,

Thu 2 Oct 2025 at 18:45 | Eventbrite

7.30pm 7.30pm Headteacher presentation. New Year 7 (Sept 2026) Intake Open Evening Tickets,
Thu 2 Oct 2025 at 19:30 | Eventbrite

Open Mornings: Start Tuesday 7th October & then every Tuesday & Thursday until 23rd October 2025

Open Morning Tours Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite

Tours at 09.15am & 11.00am

Oriel High School, Maidenbower Lane, Maidenbower

Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 7XW Tel; 01293 880350 e-mail: office@oriel.w-sussex.sch.uk



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 season. 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 three classes at Maidenbower Junior School on Tuesday and Wednesday. 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

Lunch club - Wednesday 12- 1pm

Tracey Williams 07813187315 or williamst93@hotmail.com insta @thestudioworth

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.



CRAWLEY & MAIDENBOWER PANTHERS FC

PLAYER - U10 GIRLS

We are seeking a couple of additional players to join one of our U10 Girls teams

(children going into school year 5 in September)

Weekly training sessions

> FA-qualified coaches

> > Full kit provided

Playing matches in the SCWGFL League on Sundays

For more info contact Jon on 07484 196903 **(f)** ○ **(g) (g) (g)**





AFTER SCHOOL KARATE AT... MAIDENBOWER JUNIOR

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EVERY MONADY 5-6PM

£6.50 Pay As You Go Club Starts 29th Sept 2025 No Monthly Payments No Direct Debits

We are pleased to announce our Karate club for the children of Maidenbower junior.

We are well recognized in Hampshire, West Sussex & Surrey and run clubs in over 125 schools teaching Non Contact Karate. Our full time team of dedicated professionals are now offering spaces to new members in <u>Year Groups 1-6.</u>

Our club will run in the main hall... Every Monday 5pm - 6pm

You are more than welcome to come and try the club. There are no monthly payments or direct debits in place - we run a £6.50 per lesson PAY AS YOU GO policy - all year round. All our instructors are DBS checked, First Aid trained & have all the relevant insurances to teach within schools. New members can try the club for 4 weeks wearing PE kit or similar before a £30 Membership fee is payable and a £25.50 uniform is required. Please make all payments directly to our class instructors. If you wish your child to take part, then please contact us using the details below ASAP. Spaces may be limited and are on a first come first serve basis. If you do not get a space, then a waiting list will be in place. We will contact everyone confirming availability of spaces.

If you would like a space for your child please contact us on 07983 532167 with:

Your child's full name

- Any Medical Conditions
- Their class/Year group and school
- 2 Emergency Contact Numbers

Please also state if your child will:

- Be collected after the class
- Go to after school club

Walk home alone

Tristan.southernmartialarts@gmail.com







Martial Arts classes for everyone in Maidenbower

Hello

My name is Martin and I have been running children's martial arts classes in the area for over 10 years in Maidenbower, Pound Hill and Balcombe and now have well over 60 students training every week including several Black Belts.

It is proven that martial arts training has many benefits for children including improved focus and concentration. It encourages respect and discipline as well as improved physical fitness, which is a challenge in these days of phones and social media! At our club we help to develop these characteristics in them at the same time as having fun.

Our club activities are highly inclusive with lots of teamwork and games included alongside the more traditional techniques which teach them useful self-defence in a controlled environment.

NEW FAMILY CLASS SATURDAY 10.15AM – TRAIN AS A FAMILY – CONTACT FOR DETAILS LIMITED SPACE

Due to students moving up in age groups, we currently have a few spaces in our Dragons class for 7 to 9 years and Juniors 10 to 12 years.

Monday & Wednesday: Dragons 6pm - 6.45pm, Juniors 6.45pm - 7.30pm

Venue: Maidenbower Infant School

We can offer a FREE no obligation trial - for details email me at: martinnew@ppckd.com

or call / text 07884 667173.

Check out our Facebook pages: Peak Performance - crawley - Lil Dragons

Martin New Chief Instructor 2nd Dan



ALL GIRLS BASKETBALL 6-8 YEAR OLDS

THESE SESSIONS PROVIDE AN INTRODUCTION TO THE WORLD OF BASKETBALL WHILE FOCUSING ON ESSENTIAL MOVEMENT SKILLS

ALL GIRLS YEAR 2 & 3 - MONDAY — 5:00PM-6PM @ **HAZELWICK SHOOL**







SIGN UP FOR A TASTER SESSION HERE:

WWW.STORMBASKETBALLCLUB.COM/BABY-BALLERS





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Want to play Basketball? Why not try Storm Basketball.

For all information;

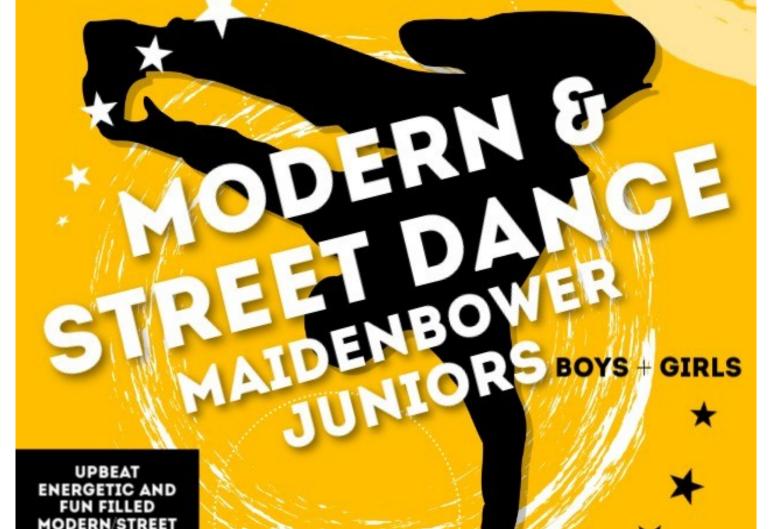
https://stormbasketballclub.com/want-toplay/school-sessions/



THURSDAYS 3:15-4PM

MODERN AND STREET DANCE! THE KIDS STREET CREW IS COMING TO YOU!





QUALIFIED PROFESSIONAL STREET DANCE TEACHER

MISS CALLIE!

DANCE!



CONTACT: MISS CALLIE 07932240429 INFO@DAREDANCEACADEMY.CO.UK