

MJS NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th October 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

A big well done to all pupils after our first fire drill of the year yesterday. This was a planned one and our Year 3 children managed this extremely well along with rest of the school. Evacuating the whole school and registering each class to make sure every child is accounted for took just under 2 and a half minutes which is an excellent effort.

A big well done also to our boys' football team who won the county finals of the Premier League Cup, meaning that they have qualified for the national finals at the end of the season. This will be a magical experience at a Premier League stadium and MJS has become the first school to reach this in four consecutive years, which is incredible.

A reminder that we have a four day week next week before half-term, with INSET Day on Friday. It is a busy week however, with Pizza Days at the start of the week and Year 5 are visiting Bough Beech on Tuesday-Thursday. It is also our Harvest assemblies on Thursday and we welcome any long-lasting dried food donations, which are collected by Open House.

Wishing you a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Best Wishes

Mr Pike

Headteacher

**Together
Everyone
Achieves
More
at MJS**

Monday 20th October 2025

Pizza Day—Y3.5 & LP Children

4PG & 4GH Boys Football

Y5 & Y6 Group 1 Netball Club

Tuesday 21st October 2025

Yr 5 Bough Beech Trip

Pizza Day—Y4 & 5

Forest School session 4JM

Y5 & Y6 Girls Football

Let's Dance Club

Y3 Craft Club Group 1

Y6 Hockey Club

Wednesday 22nd October 2025

Yr 5 Bough Beech Trip

Forest School session - Launchpad

Swimming 4AW & 4OC

Y5&6 Quicksticks Hockey @ Hazlewick

Y5 Boys Football

Y3 Chess Club Group 1

Choir Club

Thursday 23rd October 2025

Yr 5 Bough Beech Trip

Harvest Festival Assembly

Forest School session 3SL

Netball Festival @K2

Y6 Math Art Club

4GH, 4JM & 4OC Girls Football Club

Friday 24th October 2025

INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED

ALBION CUP COUNTY FINALS

We talk about resilience and never giving up a lot at school and our boys' football team epitomised that yesterday in the county final of the Albion Cup.

Standing second from bottom in the group with two games to go, the boys stepped up to win their last two matches to qualify for the final.

In a very tense final, the game went to penalties where the team kept their cool in a penalty shootout with Zach saving the final penalty to the delight of his teammates - and coaches.

The boys have now reached the Premier League National Finals where they will represent Brighton. This is an incredible achievement for the boys, and also for the school having qualified for this in four consecutive years.

CHAMPIONS



HARVEST ASSEMBLIES

Next week sees our Harvest Festival on Thursday which will be hosted by a representative from Crawley Open House who provide support and services for those suffering the effects of homelessness. If you are able to donate any dried long lasting foods, it would be greatly appreciated and these can be brought in any day next week.



**CRAWLEY
OPEN HOUSE**

helping the homeless and disadvantaged

BALLET STAR

Congratulations to Anna, who is currently rehearsing with English Youth Ballet after successfully auditioning in June. She will be performing in Swan Lake at The Hawth in half-term.

We all wish her well in this very exciting opportunity.



PARKING PLEA

Please can we remind all parents and carers, that there must not be parking or stopping in the area marked on the map below. This is on Harvest Road, outside the school staff car park. This area must be kept clear at all times, as shown by the road markings.

We are extremely lucky to have so many parking options nearby that most other schools do not have - the park, the shops and the pub, so please use these spaces and share this information with other members of the family who may collect after school.





FIREWORKS NIGHT—TICKETS NOW ON SALE

It is only a few weeks until the Maidenbower Schools Firework Night and more information will follow in the next couple of weeks. But, save the date - **Friday 7th**

November. It is a great evening that makes much-needed funds for each school which is spent on the children.

The link to tickets is here:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/maidenbowerjuniors/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=105211>



Pizza Days

A reminder it is Pizza Days next week:

Monday 20th - Years 3, 5 and The Launchpad

Tuesday 21st - Years 4 and 6

These are always fun days for the children, but just a couple of reminders:

* Please ensure that your child knows whether they are having pizza or a normal lunch and that payment has been made for this, to avoid disappointment.

* No individual pizza deliveries will be allowed outside of the PTA order.



Healthy Snacks for Breaktime

We have noticed that a growing number of children are hungry by breaktime but do not have a snack to eat. Please can we request that your child bring a small healthy snack like fruit, cheese sticks, carrot sticks or oat/rice cakes No crisps, or chocolate please.

Eating snacks enables children to concentrate in their learning and helps with maintaining behaviour.

Thank you.

School Photographs Reminder

The Closing date to order your child's school photograph is **TUESDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2025.**



Y4 BOEING VISIT

(YOU CAN TRY THIS AT HOME)

Build an airplane with £300

- Calculate the cost of Salaries
 - Calculate the cost of the airplane design
 - Calculate the cost of the materials
 - Calculate Cost of test flights
 - Decide and cost any extras
 - The winner is the team with the longest flight
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|-----------------------|----------|
| - Coloured Paper | £60 |
| - A4 normal thickness | £30 |
| - A4 Thick Paper | £45 |
| - A4 Card | £50 |
| Additions | |
| - Tape – | 10p/cm |
| - Safety Clips | 50p/clip |
| Designs of Planes | |
| - Level 1 | £1 |
| - Level 2 | £2 |
| - Level 3 | £3 |
| - Extra Flight test | £20 |





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>.

CHRISTMAS 4 SCHOOLS FUNDRAISER

We have signed up to an art fundraising event which involves children creating some festive artwork which you will have the opportunity to have printed on gifts in time to use as Christmas presents (e.g. cards, calendars, mugs, bags, etc)

What happens?

Children will produce some lovely artwork next week (or possibly the first week back after half-term) and will bring this home, along with an accompanying letter. Fill in required information on the back of the artwork. You will then return the artwork to school by 10th November and we will post them.

Then what?

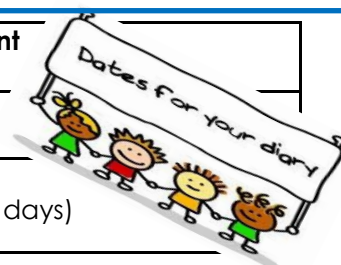
The artwork is scanned and you will receive an email directing you to an online portal where you can order any items within 5 days. Items will be delivered to school where we will distribute them.

How does school benefit?

School will receive £1 for every item purchased.



Week	Date	Event
8	Monday 20 th October	Pizza Day Y3, Y5 and LP
	Tuesday 21 st October	Pizza Days Y4 and Y6 Bough Beech (for next 3 days)
	Friday 24 th October	INSET Day
HALF-TERM – MONDAY 27 th OCTOBER – 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 1 st 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.





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



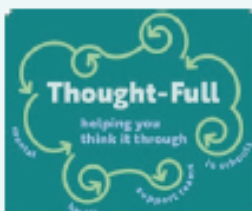
SHARE QUICK WINS



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





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

ML Spanish Tutor



martaleiva.bru@gmail.com

Tlf: 07936482815

WARD HOLIDAY CLUB

FUN OFSTED REGISTERED MULTI SPORTS HOLIDAY CLUB AT:

FORGEWOOD PRIMARY / MAIDENBOWER INFANTS.

AGES: 5-11. TIMES: 08:45-14:45. LATE PICK UP-UP TO 5PM.

DATES: OCTOBER 27TH - 31ST OCTOBER

🍕🍷 **FUN FRIDAY HALLOWEEN PARTY INCLUDES PIZZA LUNCH & FACE PAINTER** 🍷🍕

🏆🥇 **TROPHY & MORE DAILY PRIZES** 🏆🥇

🍌🍎 **FREE FRUIT DAILY FOR EVERYONE** 🍌🍎



ACTIVITIES ON OUR DAYS INCLUDE

NERF WARS & TARGETS / DODGEBALL / ARTS & CRAFTS / SOFT ARCHERY / FOOTBALL / FREE TIME / HALLOWEEN PARTY & GAMES / FACE PAINTER & MUCH MORE..

WE ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING BOOKING METHODS:
TAX FREE CHILD CARE & CHILD CARE VOUCHERS.
PLEASE EMAIL TO BOOK ONE OF THESE WAYS.

SCAN 'QR' CODE FOR BOOKING PAGES
& SCHEDULE OR VISIT OUR SOCIALS FOR BOOKING LINK

FACEBOOK: WARD HOLIDAY CLUB
(PLEASE SEE OUR 5* REVIEWS ON FB)

INSTAGRAM: WARD HOLIDAY CLUB

E: dan@wardholidayclub.co.uk



PRICE LIST: SINGLE DAYS £24. FUN FRIDAY £28.
Monday-Thursday block booking: £90.

FUN FRIDAY Inc Pizza lunch: £28.

LATE PICKUP, UP TO 5PM + £6 A DAY, PER CHILD.
(10% SAME DAY SIBLING DISCOUNT APPLIED)



October Half Term Tech Camps

NOW ON SALE!



Little Coders • Coding • Curious Minds • Animation
Design • Minecraft Engineers • YouTube Creators

For detailed camp locations and dates please head to:

www.codecamp.co.uk/camps



Get in touch at hello@codecamp.co.uk

**DON'T MISS THE £20 DISCOUNT CODE -
SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS**

SCHOOL HOLIDAY & WRAP AROUND CLUBS

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27TH - 31ST OCTOBER 2025

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SPOOKY MOVES

MJ GROOVES

**A Halloween Half-Term Dance
Camp Inspired by the King of Pop**

Wednesday 29th & Thursday 30th October

9.00am - 5.00pm

Ages 5-11 years

Autumn Camp fee - £80

INCLUDES MORNING & AFTERNOON SNACK

LOCATION:

HORLEY:

Strawson Community Hall

156 Albert Road

Horley

RH6 7HZ



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OR
TREAT**