

LMS Matters

Tel No: 01908 508678

Email address: office@longmeadow.milton-keynes.sch.uk

www.longmeadow.milton-keynes.sch.uk

Issue: 32

Date: 13.06.25



Dear Parents and Carers

As part of our cultural capital offer, this week the children got to experience a performance of the **JUNGLE BOOK** from M&M Productions. This is one way we try to give our children opportunities to experience things they might not normally do outside of school. This was possible due to another amazing contribution from **PALMS** — a huge thank you to them for this and all they do.

YEAR 5 returned from their residential visit to the **NATIONAL FOREST** this week. Twitter came alive with photos of all the amazing things they got up to. All the late nights and effort are worth it when you see the huge smiles on the faces of the children. As ever, a huge thank you to all the staff that give up their time to make this happen. Also, thank you to all the parents/carers that take the time to give their thanks in person or by email, it means a lot. **YEAR 6** also can't wait to go to Swanage at the end of June.

As you are aware, school funding has been slashed substantially and as a school we are trying to look at ways to raise much needed funds to support the amazing offer the children of LMS get. To support this, from September, we will be adding a small charge for all **SCHOOL RUN EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS**. This will be a small charge of **£1.50** per child per club per week. This will then allow us to put this money straight back into the children of LMS. This decision has not been made lightly, but is necessary to help cover the rising costs of resources, staffing, and equipment required to continue offering a wide range of high-quality club activities. We remain committed to providing enriching opportunities beyond the classroom and thank you for your understanding and continued support.

The **WESTBURY BEE GROUP** are based at the Westbury Arts Centre in Shenley Wood, Milton Keynes. They are a non-profit organisation and they run a training apiary of 35+ hives in Westbury's lovely grounds, their focus being on education and community involvement. They run beekeeping courses, hands-on apiary tours for children and adults and give talks on bees and beekeeping. Their aim being to educate everyone about the honey bee and its importance to the environment. They hold a very popular Bee Festival every year at Westbury Arts Centre, which this year is taking place on 26th and 27th July. Entry is free and there are lots of children's activities as well as stalls selling local honey, plants, bee gifts and crafts, cakes and refreshments.

After a successful bank holiday in May, **BOUNCE CAMP** are running another event at the Bletchley Rugby Club, MK2 2HX on 21st & 22nd June. See their flyer further on.

MAKEWELL specialise in **ADHD** and **ASD** assessments, as well as providing a range of support services for families both locally and nationwide. As part of their commitment to supporting the local community, they are pleased to offer free sessions for parents of children with neurodiverse conditions. To book a place on the sessions, please use the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/transitions-in-send-children-tickets-1401670998689?aff=oddttdcreator> Please also see their flyer for a **FREE SEND PARENT SUPPORT GROUP** further on.

WATLING VALLEY HOLIDAY CLUB - Wonder Zone is offered to primary school aged children, where they will be discovering the wonder of God's world through exciting experiments, inspirational stories, as well as the usual mix of games, messy challenges and the Daily Soap! They will explore how science and faith can go hand in hand to help us understand the world we live in. With craft, puzzles, stories, art, and even a bit of drama, lots of fun and games await — see their flyer further on.

Finally this week, the 156th **BUCKS COUNTY SHOW** is an exciting day out for families at the end of the school holidays. Children can enjoy Buckinghamshire's main summer attraction; a fun, action-packed day of entertainment; hundreds of animals competing, prestigious horse classes, wonderful shopping and breathtaking displays including the fast adrenaline-fuelled Scurry Driving, in what could only be described as 'Formula 1 meets pony racing', as well as the Imps Motorcycle

Display Team! More information further on.

Mr Gray



EYFS/KS1

Tadpoles

who achieved

96.9%

KS2

Thistles

who achieved

99.1%



TTROCK Stars

Weekly class champions!

KS1

Frogs

KS2

Foxgloves



Did you also know that our **SCHOOL HALL** is available for **HIRE**? If you wish to know more about hiring it for birthdays and special occasions, please speak to the school office for further details.

D A T E S

FOR YOUR DIARY

School Term and Bank Holiday Dates 2024 / 2025

Term	Open morning of:	Close at the end of afternoon session of:
Autumn Term 2024	Thursday 5 September 2024	Friday 25 October 2024
	Monday 4 November 2024	Friday 20 December 2024
Spring Term 2025	Tuesday 7 January 2025	Friday 14 February 2025
	Monday 24 February 2025	Thursday 3 April 2025
Summer Term 2025	Tuesday 22 April 2025	Friday 23 May 2025
	Monday 2 June 2025	Tuesday 22 July 2025

Training days agreed to date: (on these days children do not come to school but staff do)

Tuesday 3 September 2024 / Wednesday 4 September 2024 / Monday 6 January 2025 / Friday 4 April 2025 / Wednesday 23 July 2025

Good Friday: Friday 18 April 2025

Easter Monday: Monday 21 April 2025

May Day: Monday 5 May 2025

Summer Term 2025

Friday 16 May	Affect the Rules Day
Tuesday 20 May	EYFS Thrift Farm
Thursday 22 May	Year 1 Learning Fair (2.15pm Hall)
Friday 23 May	Year 2 Woburn Safari
26 - 30 May	HALF TERM
Monday 2 June	Year 3 Residential - Caldecotte
Monday 2 June	Year 4 Residential - Wilderhope
Monday 9 June	Year 5 Residential - National Forest
Tuesday 10 June	Theatre Production to Whole School - Jungle Book
Thursday 12 June	EYFS Learning Fair (2.15pm Hall)
Friday 13 June	Year 2 Evening Under the Stars
w/c Monday 16 June	National School Sports Week
Tuesday 17 June	Bucks CC Chance to Shine Cricket Engagement Day
Friday 20 June	PALMS Non Uniform Day
Monday 23 June	Year 6 Residential - Swanage
Monday 23 June	RWI Development Day
Saturday 28 June	PALMS School Fete
Friday 4 July	Food Fair
Friday 4 July	PALMS Frosty Friday
Tuesday 8 July	KS1 & EYFS Sports Day
Wednesday 9 July	KS2 Sports Day
Thursday 10 July	Year 6 Performance to KS2 & siblings (1.45pm)
Friday 11 July	Year 3 Learning Fair (2.15pm Hall)
Friday 11 July	PALMS Frosty Friday
Monday 14 July	Year 6 Performance to parents (6pm—drop off at 5.30pm)
Tuesday 15 July	EYFS & KS1 Awards Assembly (9.10-10.10am Hall)
Tuesday 15 July	Year 6 Performance to parents (1.45pm)
Wednesday 16 July	Year 3 & 4 Awards Assembly (9.10-10.10am Hall)
Wednesday 16 July	Year 5 & 6 Awards Assembly (2.15-3.15pm Hall)
Wednesday 16 July	Year 6 Leavers' Disco (6-8pm)
Friday 18 July	PALMS Frosty Friday
Tuesday 22 July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (9am)
Tuesday 22 July	Last Day of Term

Stay & Play Dates	
Wednesday 21 May	Food
Wednesday 4 June	Weather
Wednesday 18 June	Summer
Wednesday 2 July	Sports

LMS Safeguarding

Harmful Content Trends 2024 – Southwest Grid for Learning

The South West Grid for Learning (SWGfL) has recently published its Harmful Content Report 2024, commissioned last year. The report reveals a 20.5% year-on-year increase in harmful content cases, with 6,222 reports handled over the past 12 months. In 86% of cases, harmful content was successfully removed—often within hours—and nearly half were resolved within 24 hours. Notably, 24% of the reports involved children under 18, with a significant number concerning those under 12. The report also highlights that 37% of harmful content was hosted on smaller or less regulated platforms, pointing to a growing risk in these online spaces. As demand for impartial, trusted support continues to grow, SWGfL is expanding its guidance and service provision to better support those affected. To explore the full report or learn more about SWGfL's work, please follow the link below:

<https://swgfl.org.uk/magazine/reports-of-harmful-content-rise-by-20-in-2024/>

LMS Well-being

Reflections about the concept of antifragility.

"Every step you take toward antifragility makes you less vulnerable to the future." — Nassim Nicholas Taleb

We often talk about the importance of resilience. But what if we could go one step further—not just weathering the storm of uncertainty or bouncing back from adversity, but using it as a catalyst for growth? That's the antifragile mindset. So much personal development advice centres on optimising every aspect of life, but antifragile individuals take the opposite approach. Instead of obsessing over perfectly dialled-in routines, they create simple, flexible systems with built-in redundancy, ensuring there's always another way forward when plans unravel.

By becoming adaptable and seeing challenges as an opportunity to grow, we can help them embrace, rather than avoid, risk—and, crucially, unlock the capacity to thrive, not just survive, in turbulent times. That is the power of antifragility.

"Where in your life do you have a single point of failure, and how might you create redundancy?" This question helps you identify areas of fragility in your life and encourages proactive problem-solving, prompting you to build buffers to absorb potential shocks and create alternate pathways to success in the face of adversity.

Congratulations to our Top Doodlers...

Congratulations to the following children who took part in the
Spring Challenge:

Emma G, Enrico P, Hal T, Harriet G, Harsimran J, James L,
Kadmiel K, Katrina C, Lacey W, Matthew W, Mervin K,
Nathaniel G, Parker W, Reyansh B, Sehaj J, Simeon O,
Valerie K, Wayne T, Will G, Yilmaz M, Zayn A, Aakesh R,
Alexander G, Anne K, Awadhya S, Dheer J, Dominic L &
Ebun B.

Daksh H, Nathan C & Milly C for their 50 day maths streaks;
Milly C for her 50 day English streak; Isobel M for her 100
day English streak; Lok H, Jasmine W & Kyan M for their
250 day maths streaks; Jasmine W for her 250 day English
streak; Ebun B for her 365 day maths & English streak;
Awadhya S for his 500 day maths streak; Nathaniel G &
Oliver B for their 500 day English streak; Enrico P & Eli G for
their 1000 day maths & English streaks!

Well done



doodle



Long Meadow Legends

Pondskaters – Kyan for his brilliant Matisse collage.

Sticklebacks – Bobby for being a superstar!

Frogs – Haven for excellent contributions during geography

Newts – Aadvik for a great use of vocabulary in English this week.

Bracken – Joshua for being an amazing member of Bracken class.

Hogweed – Cohen for doing the right thing and always pushing himself to improve.

Foxgloves – Wayne for working super hard in DT.

Hawthorn – Rishank for fantastic participation during lessons, especially French & English.

Ferns & Thistles for representing the school fantastically at the residential. They listened to instructions, coped well with mishaps & had lots of fun!

Ferns – Rhea for putting in a great effort with her work last week. She did some excellent work including comparing life cycles and a map of the physical features of South America.

Thistles – Logan for being a supportive classmate & always being willing to show others new skills.

Brambles – Nova for her dedication & focus on creating her clay heart this week.

Teasels – Alex S for sharing his ideas in all lessons confidently with the class.

Sports Person of the Week

Finley S for showing amazing skills at mini golf this week!

Well done to the following children for taking part in some recent sporting events:

Y3/4 Girls' Football Team – Alexi-Mai, Ava, Mia, Abbey, Milly, Tilly W, Conie & Evie-Grace

KS1 Cricket Festival – Zayn, Bertie, Rychard, Beatrice, Sulaiman, Calix, Elijah, Harper & Sienna

BEE FEST

Westbury Arts Centre

Westbury Arts Centre,
Foxcove Road, Shenley Wood,
MK3 6AA



///beesovertheborder.insects

WESTBURY BEE FESTIVAL

26 -27 July 2025

11:00 - 16:00

- Brilliant bee talks
- Wax candle making
- Workshops and activities
- Local honey & bee gifts for sale
- Live observation hive - safely see the bees up close



Milton
Keynes
Arts
Centre

We Live Here

PLANTS

Join us for a day exploring the
nature that surrounds us!

SATURDAY 14 JUNE | 11AM - 4PM
FRED ROCHE GARDENS, CENTRAL MK
///litigate.still.songbird

Mini Beast Trail | Plant a Seed
Drop-in and Draw | Art Activities
Heritage Talk | Nature Surveys
Plant Walk | Meet an Ecologist

Let us know you're coming by
booking a ticket!

**THE GREAT
BIG GREEN
WEEK**





Nurture

Long Meadow Primary School

Thursdays 12:30 –15:00

24 Apr – 3 July

Children are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but looking after them can be stressful and challenging!

These 10 sessions fit together like a puzzle to help deal with the challenges so you can have a calmer, happier life.

The nurture programme uses these four building blocks of emotionally healthy relationships.

- Self-awareness
- Appropriate expectations
- Empathy
- Positive discipline

**Please contact Emma Seaton
to book your space .**

MK Milton Keynes
City Council



BUCKS COUNTY SHOW

Children's Competitions

For Under 5's to 16 with free entry to all competitions

Unlock your creativity at the Bucks County Show!

Kids of all ages can participate in exciting categories like crafting a harvest picture, creating a fairy garden on a plate, baking apple scones, drawing woodland animals, making pen holders, decorating plant pots, and more.

Show off your unique talents and make this year's event unforgettable.

Full details overleaf!

Prize money is awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

buckscountyshow.co.uk

**FREE CHILD
TICKETS**
(SEE OVER)



TATTENHOE YOUTH FC LIONESSES



GIRLS FOOTBALL SESSIONS TUESDAY EVENINGS 5:30PM - 6:30PM



4 - 11 YEARS OLD



GIRLS ONLY



£3.50 PER SESSION
(FIRST SESSION FREE)

SCAN ME



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

**WE MAKE
FOOTBALLERS**
MILTON KEYNES



FIND US ON FACEBOOK OR SCAN THE QR
CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION



TATTENHOEYOUTHFC.CO.UK





'...THAT ONE TIME AT BOUNCE CAMP'

SPECTACULAR 660FT INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSE

PERFECT FOR ANY OCCASION...
UNLEASH THE FUN WITH BOUNCE CAMP!

Navigate through tunnels, climb walls, and slide down giant slides. This course is the ultimate test of agility and endurance!

>> SAFE FOR ALL AGES <<

HAVE YOUR ADVENTURE!

BOOK ONLINE TODAY

✉ INFO@BOUNCECAMP.CO.UK | WWW.BOUNCECAMP.CO.UK

BRINGING BOUNCE CAMP TO A TOWN NEAR YOU -
THE ULTIMATE & ACTION-PACKED INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSE ADVENTURE!

EVENT DATES



APRIL

Leighton Buzzard:
9th | 10th | 11th | 12th
Milton Keynes:
14th | 15th | 16th | 17th
Houghton Regis:
19th | 20th | 21st

MAY

Hemel Hempstead: 17th
The Broughton Hotel:
24th | 25th | 26th

JUNE

Bedford: 7th | 8th
Urban Battlefields: 14th | 15th
Ampthill: 28th | 29th
Bletchley: 21st | 22nd

JULY

Harpenden: 6th | 7th
Duston Mill: 12th | 13th
Swanbourne: 19th | 20th
Tring: 26th | 27th

AUGUST

Newton Longville: 2nd | 3rd
Redbourne: 8th | 9th | 10th
Bletchley: 15th | 16th | 17th
Houghton Regis: 23rd | 24th | 25th
Leighton Buzzard: 30th | 31st

'THAT ONE TIME AT BOUNCE CAMP...'

FREE SEND PARENT SUPPORT GROUP



Transitions - Why moving from one thing to another is so hard for SEND children - and how you can help.

- Q & A from one of our expert clinicians
- Tea & Coffee
- A chance to connect with other SEND parents

**FREE TO BOOK
ON EVENT
BRITE**

Tuesday 8th July

12.30- 2.00

**Neurodiversity Hub,
Midsummer Place, Milton
Keynes, MK9 3GB**



WATLING VALLEY HOLIDAY CLUB 2025

28 July - 1 August

9am to 12 noon

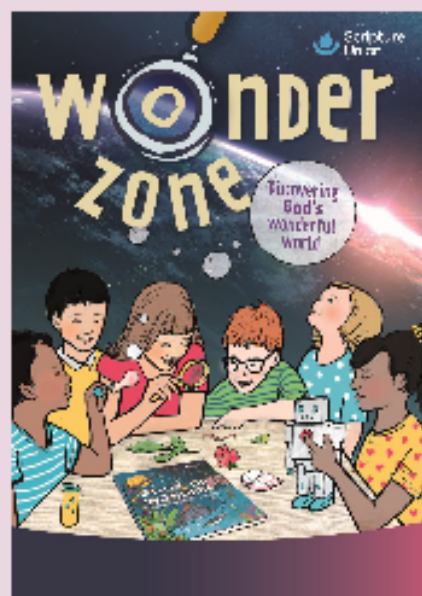
Christ the Sower School

Are you in primary school aged between 4 and 11? Why not join us for this year's spectacular Holiday Club - Wonder Zone?

Throughout the week we will be discovering the wonder of God's world through exciting experiments, inspirational stories as well as the usual mix of games, messy challenges and the Daily Soap! We will explore how science and faith can go hand in hand to help us understand the world we live in.

With craft, puzzles, stories, art, and even a bit of drama; you are in for lots of fun and games!

- £30 for the first child
- £25 for each additional child from the same household
- T-Shirts £8 (optional)



Access the booking form via the QR code
or by visiting our website:
www.watlingvalley.org.uk

All volunteers are DBS checked and have
undertaken safeguarding training

GIVE RUGBY A TRY

Experience the excitement of playing rugby in a friendly and supportive environment.

Great for beginners, starting from the age of 5 - 16! Boys & girls. **No experience necessary.**

29TH JUNE
10 - 12 P.M.

- ✓ Learn new skills
- ✓ Meet new friends
- ✓ Fun activities
- ✓ A new love for rugby!



BBQ & REFRESHMENTS

MILTON KEYNES RUFC

The Valley, Bowland Dr,
Emerson Valley, Milton Keynes MK4 2DN

OUR CITY.YOUR CLUB

FREE
TO ATTEND

More Information
enquiries@mkrufc.com

It all starts with...



We all play at:

Tattenhoe Pavilion

Session dates:

Tuesday 3rd June to Tuesday 15th July

Session timings:

17:30 - 18:15

Contact:

nauman.javaid@bucksicricket.co.uk



Sign up today at
allstarscricket.co.uk



 **SIGN UP**



DYNAMOS CRICKET



 SIGN UP

This is
our game.

dynamoscrickeet.co.uk

Join us at:

Session dates:

Session timings:

Contact:

Fabricated loose parts e.g.

Astro turf off-cuts

Boards, old cabinet doors, panels

Bread, milk, bottle and grocery crates

Briefcases

Buggies, pushchairs

Cable drums

Carpet samples/squares

Fabrics – all shapes and sizes

Foam pipe covers and noodles

Guttering

Hoses

Keyboards

Metal pots, pans, trays etc, especially catering sizes

Nets: fishing, cargo, football

Office removal crates Tea Crates

Old clothes, jackets, overalls, hats, bags

Old household appliances, hoovers, fax machines, microwaves etc

One-ton dumpy bags

Pallets

Phones

Piping, gas, water and drainage

Planks – decking

Plastic road barriers

Small wheelie bins

Steering wheels

Suitcases

Tarps

Traffic Cones

Tubes of all kinds

Wooden block and off-cuts Carpenters, builders





And Natural loose parts such as:

Branches and sticks

Fruit trees

Grass Plants

Leaves

Logs

Mud

Pea gravel

Peat

Pinecones

Play bark/woodchip

Sand (washed dredged not 'sharp')

Sea pebbles

Shells

Varied aggregates, slate, flint, clay

Wood off-cuts

If you have or can help with any of these, please put them in the **OPAL DONATION STATION** in the main foyer, or speak to the school office.



2025 MILTON KEYNES SUMMER CAMPS FOR 5-12 YEAR OLDS GIRLS & BOYS OF ALL ABILITY



CAMP 1: TUE 29JUL25 - THU 31JUL25
CAMP 2: TUE 05AUG25 - THU 07AUG25



BOOK ONLINE TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE



**Suitable for children
of all abilities**



**Fun individual and team
challenges and games**



**1V1 and team tournament
on Thursday**

Timings

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
10am - 3pm (half day options available)
9:45am drop off and 3pm collection

Address

Caroline Haslett Primary School
Faraday Drive
Shenley Lodge
Milton Keynes - MK5 7DF

Price options

£25 - Half day (morning or afternoon)
£40 - Single day
£90 - Full 3 day camp



Please contact the team for more details

✉ russell@wemakefootballers.com ☎ 01908 011 442
🌐 www.wemakefootballers.com/milton-keynes/holiday-camps



Format of the day



Why attend a We Make Footballers Holiday Camp?

We have a highly experienced coaching team who will ensure all children are kept safe and entertained throughout their time with us.

This is going to be a great opportunity for children to get outdoors, make friends and keep active. We are very excited to offer this opportunity.



CAMP 1: TUE 29JUL25 - THU 31JUL25 CAMP 2: TUE 05AUG25 - THU 07AUG25

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

09:45 REGISTRATION

10:00 MORNING SESSION
- 3 THEME BASED ACTIVITIES
- MORNING GAMES

12:00 LUNCHTIME
12:50 COACHES CHALLENGE

13:00 AFTERNOON SESSION
- 3 THEME BASED ACTIVITIES
- AFTERNOON GAMES

15:00 END OF DAY

THURSDAY - TOURNAMENT DAY

09:45 REGISTRATION

10:00 1 V 1 TOURNAMENT
1 V 1 FINAL

12:00 LUNCHTIME
12:50 COACHES CHALLENGE

13:00 TEAM TOURNAMENT
TEAM FINAL

14:45 AWARDS PRESENTATION

15:00 CAMP ENDS



Please contact the team on

✉ russell@wemakefootballers.com

☎ 01908 011 442

SCAN TO BOOK



SCAN ME