



30/11/20

Dear Parents/Carers,

Due to measures in place to keep the school community safe, we are unable to invite parents in for Christmas events. The Meon Junior staff and pupils would still like to share with you a little something to spread the Christmas cheer. Year groups have been working hard to record something that will be shared with you on our website and Facebook via our You Tube channel. All children will take part in the experience of making the videos; however, we will ensure that those without parental consent do not have their image included.

Early Closure on Friday 18th December:

On the last day of term, Friday 18th December School will be closing after lunchtime. This is to enable the school to be properly tidied and deep cleaned ready for January.

Pick up for years 3 and 4 will be 12:50pm (gates will open at 12:40pm)

Pick up for years 5 and 6 will be 1:00pm.

Feasibility work for the proposal of a new leisure centre for the south east of the city:

I have been asked to share this with the school community.

In summary, Eastney Swimming Pool and Wimbledon Park Sports Centre are at the end of their lives as buildings and need replacing. We could renovate, or even demolish and rebuild, but we think there is a great opportunity to combine them and create a new leisure centre for the south east of the city. Due to the size of a combined pool and sports centre we can't do this on either of the Eastney Swimming Pool or Wimbledon Park Sports Centre sites, so we need to look elsewhere. The location for the new leisure centre hasn't been decided yet, but we think one potential site is in Bransbury Park where Eastney Community Centre currently stands. The new leisure centre would incorporate a new community centre as a community health and wellbeing hub, bringing together flexible community centre facilities with a new swimming pool and gym. There would be a 25m 4-lane pool and a separate shallow learner pool.

We are in the early stages of feasibility work, and want to get as much feedback from stakeholders as possible. We have launched a consultation exercise (an online survey) and I would be grateful if you could share this link in any newsletter or general communication with your wider school family that you send out in the next few weeks. The survey runs until 13 December.

Link to Portsmouth Sports and Leisure Facilities Consultation:
<https://www.research.net/r/SportsLeisureFacilities>

David Moorman (Strategic development manager, Sports and Leisure)

Free online learning courses:

We have moved to a digital world where businesses and individuals are now more digital than ever. Portsmouth College offers a range of free online courses to help your career change, whether upskilling your abilities or simply to broaden your horizons, or just for fun! Courses for everyone to be done completely paperless and at your own pace from the comfort of your home. 100% support from experienced tutors and a certificate of completion.

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Moorings Way and Meon Infant school temporary Wednesday afternoon closure:

Our feeder infant schools are closing on a Wednesday afternoon.

We are currently not in a position where will need to do this and will be open as usual on a Wednesday afternoon. I appreciate that this may cause some challenges for some of our families, but pupils in our school are required to attend school as normal.

Online Safety Support for our families:

We have joined our school to the National Online Safety- providing resources for all parents and carers.

The resources include Parents & Carers courses (presented by Myleene Klass), online video resources and weekly guides covering a huge range of topics, including:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Online Relationships• Fake Profiles & Social Bots• Online Bullying• Online Grooming• Child Sexual Exploitation• Sexual Harassment & Violence• Sexting• Live Streaming• Online Identity• Screen Addiction• Online Challenges• Overspending• Social Media Platforms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Online Gambling• Radicalisation, Terrorism & Extremism• Age Inappropriate Content• Copyright & Ownership• Hacking• Fake News• Online Fraud• Online Reputation• Personal Data• Pornography• Targeted Adverts & Pop-Ups• The Dark Web• Games & Trends
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Parents can create their own account: To create your account, please follow <http://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/meon-junior-school> and complete your details. When you're set up, you'll be able to set 'Parent/Carer' as your user type.

You can access National Online Safety online via any device- including via our brand-new smartphone app. To download the app, please go to:

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/national-online-safety/id1530342372>

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=uk.co.nationaleducationgroup.nos>

Events taking place for the Christmas Season at Meon Junior School December 2020

Here is a helpful list of dates for your diaries with events taking place during December 2020 at our school:

- Tuesday 1st December 2020- Decorations Day for children in school.
- Friday 11th December 2020- Christmas Jumper Day for 'Save the Children' charity (donation please).
- Monday 14th December -Year 6 'Stream' of Dick Whittington Panto at school- a.m.
- Monday 14th December 2020- Year 3 Cinema Experience Event in hall at end of day.
- Tuesday 15th December 2020- Year 3 'Stream' of Dick Whittington Panto in school-a.m.
- Tuesday 15th December 2020- Year 4 Cinema Experience Event in hall at end of day.
- Wednesday 16th December 2020- Year 5 'Stream' of Dick Whittington Panto in school-a.m.
- Wednesday 16th December 2020- Christmas lunch for children (£2.15 payable via ParentPay).
- Wednesday 16th December 2020- Year 5 Cinema Experience Event in hall at end of day.
- Thursday 17th December 2020- Year 4 'Stream' of Dick Whittington Panto in school-a.m.
- Thursday 17th December 2020- 2pm Virtual Carol Service from St James' Church' live' on our school Facebook page.
- Thursday 17th December 2020- Year 6 Cinema Experience Event in hall at end of day.
- Friday 18th December 2020- Non- Uniform Day (£1 donation please for school funds) and break up for Christmas holidays at lunchtime.

Warm Regards



Mrs Sara Paine