

23RD FEBRUARY 2024

PRIORY SCHOOL NEWS

Headteacher's News

[This week at Priory.](#)

Welcome back everyone, I hope you all enjoyed a lovely week with family and friends.

A few children have asked me about replacing values pins - they are available to buy on parent pay - however, I do expect the office to email teachers when a request comes in for a replacement badge to ensure that they did get awarded one in the first place!

It is the music sharing week next week, which is a wonderful time to see how much the children have learnt in their peripatetic instrument lessons.

Upcoming Events

- 26/02/24 - 3 Rashford parents meetings
- 27/02/24 - 3 Rashford parents meetings
- 01/03/24 - Year 2 Windsor Castle Trip
- 05/03/24 - Parents evening
- 06/03/24 - Parents evening
- 06/03/24 GFE - Governor monitoring event in school
- 06/03/24 - National Festival of Music for Youth - Choir -12:00
- 08/03/24 - 17/03/24 - Science week
- 08/03/24 - World book day
- 09/03/24 - Ramadan starts
- 15/03/24 - Red nose day - We aim to hold a non-uniform day for donations for comic relief
- 25/03/24 - Colour run (link to Holi) - 3:30 - 4pm on Priory mile
- 25/03/24 - Holi, Religious celebration, Hope
- 27/03/24 - Easter egg hunt
- 28/03/24 - Priory's Got Talent
- 29/03/24 - 12/04/24 - Easter holidays

Poem

FOUR SEASONS

Spring is loved by many,
Though sometimes it rains quite heavy,
The flowers bloom,
The trees loom,
As you sit under the glowing sun.
The spring leaves grow on the trees,
And the bushes dance in the breeze,
The birds sing their song,
The grass waves along,
And the animals all wake up.

Summer is the hottest of the seasons,
People love it for many reasons,
Teens get tanned,
Kids play in the sand,
And the days get much longer.
Bananas begin to flower,
The trees rise up like towers,
The sun comes out,
The clouds are nowt,
And the kids get a break from school.

The autumn winds are blowing,
The sun's no longer glowing,
Back to school,
The weather's cool,
The pumpkins round and orange,
Leaves that are orange and red,
They make a comfortable bed,
Trick or treat,
Take a sweet,
Winter's nearly here.

The winter season's here,
The children give a cheer,
Snowball fight,
Robin Flight,
And we drink hot chocolate.
The snow is falling quickly,
The icicles sharp and prickly,
Star on the tree,
Some gifts are free,
Snowmen stacked up high.

The poem is done,
We hope you had fun,
Reading along with us!

By Safoorah Mubin and Emily Stears

Attendance

Weekly attendance percentages: W/C 5th February

Whole school - 90%

Year 1 - 90%

Year 2 - 93%

Year 3 - 89%

Year 4 - 93%

Year 5 - 89%

Year 6 - 90%



Congratulations to 5Dawe with 97% the highest attendance this week!

CONGRATULATIONS

Important dates:

[Click here](#) to link to the school calendar

[Click here](#) to see term dates for 2023-2024

Leaflets and letters:

Please [click here](#) to go to our leaflets page on the website and choose external providers

Sign of the week:

Kindness

https://youtu.be/jx6ln_-3wWE

Peek at the week:

Please follow the link for this week's

<https://www.prioryschool.co.uk/peek-at-the-week-1/>

Year 1 News

As part of Year 1's new text, 'What the Ladybird Heard', children got to experience jobs on a farm.

The children planted their own seeds, sheared sheep, milked a cow and played in the mud with the pigs.



Orchard News

It is a new term and a new topic! The Orchard have started studying 'Amazing Animals'.

The children have started to explore and read their new book 'Rumble in the Jungle'. The book consists of different poems about animals you could find in the jungle.

The children have begun exploring the different animals through matching activities of cartoon drawings and real life images. In addition, they have been exploring rhyming words in the different animal poems.

For your interest: 'Rumble in the Jungle' is online, with no costs to access, at this URL:

https://fliphtml5.com/zcjoy/iykk/Rumble_In_The_Jungle/

In maths, the children have revisited their skills of one-to-one correspondence, subtraction and have started to look at measurement (tall/big and short/small).

In other news, some Orchard and mainstream children were lucky enough to represent Priory School at Slough's Panathlon Challenge SEN sports games. They competed in

a variety of different games, these ranged from boccia, bowling, throwing and much more. All the children did amazingly!



Music News

Instrumental Lunchtime Concerts

After half term, the children who have instrumental lessons in school will have the opportunity to perform something to their parents and friends during an informal lunchtime concert on their usual lesson day. Further details will follow, but please put the date in your diary if your child is involved. We hope you can join us to support your child on their musical journey.

Monday 26th Feb: Mr Lazenbury's violin, piano, clarinet

Wednesday 28th Feb: ALL of Mr Keen's piano, keyboard, flute students (Tues & Wed lessons will all perform on the Wed)

Thursday 1st March: Mr Clements' drums

Thursday 1st March: Mrs Sumner's guitars

A message from Priory Friends

Priory Friends would like to thank everyone who donated gifts for the Christmas Fayre and also the canteen staff for the wonderful food on the day. We would like to also thank all the teachers, support staff and all volunteers for the hard work leading up to the Christmas Fayre and on the day. Without all your help and donations this would not have been possible. The total we raised was £1365, we will be topping this up, so the final total will be £2000. Thank you once again.

Priory Friends are looking for volunteers to support and help. We will be restarting our coffee mornings so keep an eye out on the weekly newsletter.

Many thanks,

Jai Parmar

Priory Chair

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Wednesdays, 10th Jan; 7th Feb; 13th March; 17th April; 8th May; 12th June; 3rd July 2024

Community Parent/Carer Support Group, Slough

A support group for family members who have children/young people with additional needs living within Slough.

A safe and supportive space for sharing experiences and gaining support with the unique challenges faced by families of children with additional needs.

Each session will include an hours topic around being a parent of a child with additional needs. The remainder of the session will be for discussion of the topic and social support time.

DATE & TIME

Monthly- See above dates
10-12pm

VENUE

Farnham Common Village Hall
Victoria road Farnham Common,
Slough SL2 3NL

COST

FREE
(Refreshments provided)

FURTHER INFORMATION

Charlie Taylor
07831409731
charlie@parentingspecialchildren.co.uk

Children welcome under parent supervision



GEMS

Autism & ADHD Support Service
East Berkshire

Educational Support -Online Session for Parents and Carers

Thursday 29th February 10am to 11am

Join our online session to:

Learn more about Educational support whether formal or informal (educational setting/tutoring) with an opportunity for a question and answer at the end

- Facilitated by Kate Fuller
- Qualified teacher
- School leader and autism advocate
- Current manager of the Tuition Service for Bracknell Forest Council

Sign Up Today!

Available for families who reside in or have a registered GP in East Berkshire with a child who is Autistic/ADHD (suspected/pathway/diagnosed)



To book your place contact GEMS:



Gems.4Health@nhs.net



0800 999 1342



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Autism & ADHD Support Service
East Berkshire

Virtual Coffee Morning - Autism and the family

Friday 1st March 10am to 11.15am

**25 spaces
available!**

Join our online informal discussion to cover the following areas:

- Balancing needs of siblings, parents and the autistic child
- Routines and rituals affecting others at home
- Advocating for your child and managing other family members

Celebrate your success with other parents/carers, share your experience and gain support during our coffee morning



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THE LIGHT UK
Caring for the community

Respite and support services from The Light UK

Friday 22nd March 10am to 11am

Join our online session hosted by Maariyah Fazil (The Light UK) to discuss:

- Respite
- Education
- Employment and training
- Personal care assistance support
- Mentoring
- Family Support and access to service
- Question and answer session for parent and carers

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FACE it!



Available to book now!

Approved CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers.

National Standards CPD accredited with certificate

Thursday
21 March

19:00 - 20:00

FREE



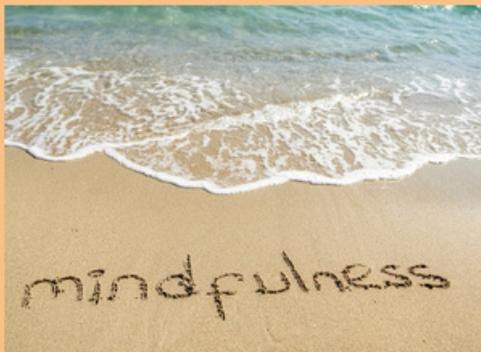
FREE SESSION

Understanding Addictive Behaviour - Screens, gaming, drugs and more

Tuesday
19 March

19:00 - 21:00

£24



What is ACT?

An introduction to Acceptance and Commitment Therapy

Thursday
28 March

19:00 - 21:00

£24



Supporting a child with ADHD challenging the stereotypes and giving practical advice



Slough Ice
Rink, Montem
Lane, SL1 2GQ

CHARITY SKATE

Sunday 24th March

10am til 1pm

**£10 per person or
£30 for a family of 4 *plus booking fee
Includes skate hire**

**All ticket sales and proceeds will go to the
Spice Jets attending the
2024 Special Hockey tournament in Boston**

Tuck shop, Refreshments, Cakes on sale and a tombola!



<https://spicecharityskate.eventbrite.com>

Understanding Anger: Yours & Theirs!



UNDERSTANDING ANGER

11th March 7-9pm £24

Jane Keyworth, Lead Facilitator at FACE giving a two hour talk to parents (and teachers), explaining what anger is, why we have it and how to manage it.

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk