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Headteacher's News



Good afternoon all,

General news

We welcome two new members to our Priory team; Asma Begum has joined us as a Teaching and Learning Assistant in the Orchard.

We also have a new SENCO Clare Francis join the ranks for 3 days a week.

Look who made news this week in the Canine Assist Newsletter!

★ Star Dog of the Term:

This term our star dog is Bernie from Priory School who has been nominated by his CAL trainer Sioban:



Sioban said:

"There can be no doubt at all about the positive effect that Bernie has on this school, the children and the teachers. I was struck by the intervention I watched, not only from the child's point of view but from the teacher's. When you have tried everything you can with a child who is struggling, and feel you have nowhere else to go - knowing that you have "a Bernie" who will help the situation, could be the difference between surviving a difficult moment/day or not! Bernie is an absolute asset, a star in the making and sooooo much more than just a dog! 😊"

Parent forum

I am looking at the minutes of the forum today so hope to have them on the website this afternoon.

Parking

Please park respectfully,

- Parking on double yellow lines at any time of the day is illegal and you could get a fine.
- Do not block drives or other cars
- Do not park on pavements so that pedestrians cannot walk on the pavement – especially those with babies in pushchairs.
- Do not double park so that cars cannot get through.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hannah Foster



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Important Dates

Kip on a Ship – Year 5 Girls – Thursday 17th November

Kip on a Ship – Year 5 Boys – Thursday 24th November

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

[Click here](#) to see term dates for 2022-2023



Year 3&4 boys and girls double header Berkshire League (5857 – 3361)

A great Friday afternoon, in the sun, with lots of parental and teacher support, as our year 3&4 girls side played their first game together. Playing in the Berkshire league, the girls demonstrated great togetherness in a 1-1 draw with Lynch Hill. The boys playing their first game, worked hard, and were outsmarted by their opponents on this occasion.

Sports News



It has been a busy but rewarding week, for all things Sport, PE and PA.

Some of our Year 5 students have been taking part in a 6-week healthy minds project, developing relaxation and positive thinking techniques. Year 4 have been working with London Irish tackling their health, developing their TREDs (teamwork, respect, enjoyment, discipline, determination and sportsmanship). Year 3&4 boys and girls enjoyed two separate games on Friday.

Year 5&6 boys enjoyed a league game against Claycots and our year 3&4 Badminton team won Bronze at the Slough School Sport Network event.

Year 5&6 Boys football, Slough League,

After last week's success during the ESFA cup, the boys had a blip in form and lost the game 5-1 with this aside the boys never gave up and demonstrated a range of skills, and showcased good resistance throughout.



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SSSN Year 3&4 Badminton Bronze

A super achievement from our year 3&4 students, as they came third out of many schools in the SSSN badminton event. The students demonstrated a fantastic attitude, and a real eagerness to develop their badminton skills and knowledge. With Eesa getting the highest score in Slough for shuttle uppies. (keeping the shuttlecock in the air)



Year 4 London Irish tackling Health

A great group of year 4 students have been working with professional rugby club, London Irish, learning about healthy lifestyles and rugby TREDs. The students have been taking part in theory and practical lessons during their 6-week programme.



Weekly attendance percentages: 17th - 21st October 2022

Whole school - 92%

Year 1 - 92%

Year 2 - 95%

Year 3 - 92%

Year 4 - 93%

Year 5 - 92%

Year 6 - 93%

Congratulations to **3Rashford** with **99%** the highest attendance this week!

Congratulations!

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Year 3 - Dhol drumming

During the afternoon of 3rd November, year 3 were treated to the delightful sounds of the dhol drums. The children were able to participate in a workshop organised by Inspire – works. The children learnt playing techniques and were taught to understand the function and history of the dhol drums throughout the Indian subcontinent. They also learnt traditional Punjabi and Bhangra patterns which they played together. An enjoyable and creative time had by all!

“I had a great time. It was noisy but I really enjoyed playing these drums.” Year 3 child



Year 4 – Roman Day

Year 4 children enjoyed dressing up and participating in Roman-themed activities on Tuesday. The Hobgoblin Theatre Company performed a show based on Hadrian's Wall and then the children completed a drama workshop. In the afternoon, we made clay oil lamps that into which we carved our own designs.

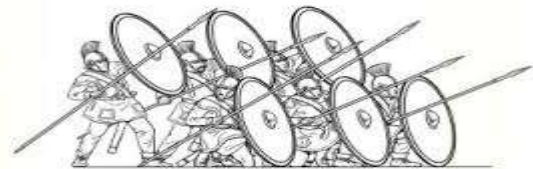


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Music News



Year 6 Choir Trip

On Tuesday a group of choir children took part in "Total Vocal", run by Miss Steele from Slough Music Service, to develop their singing skills. The children were fantastic, participating so well and representing Priory School brilliantly. Thank you to all the staff who enabled the trip to go ahead, and thank you to parents for your patience at the end of the day!

Sheza Ahmed from 6Darwin reports:

Tuesday was a great day at St Mary's Church. Everybody got together from different schools and sang together as one big choir. It was amazing! It was so good to see people of different religions, races and cultures getting together. We sang "Wonderwall", "I'm still standing" and "La La Land Medley". We had so much fun!



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Leaflets and Letters

Please [click here](#) to go to our leaflets page on the website. Leaflets this week:

GEMS Service
Slough Food Bank
Winter Holiday Activities

Priory Christmas Fayre



Save the date!

Priory Christmas Fair – Saturday 3rd December
from 12pm – 2.00pm

Please follow link for Donation Letters
<https://priory-school.secure-primariesite.net/priory-letters-home/>



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Priory Friends News



Priory Friends on Facebook

www.facebook.com/prioryfriends



We would desperately like to encourage new members. We are looking to the future. If we don't start getting parents involved to create the ongoing success that we have had over the years in raising money for the school, then sadly it's not looking good. Fresh people bring fresh ideas, which would be great!

If you would like to get involved with fundraising and how to use the funds raised for school please get in touch via prioryfriends@prioryschool.com.



Important Message - Free Time Friday

For all free time Friday sports activities that the children pick, they must wear a PE kit NOT a football kit. They need to bring in their PE kit and change at an appropriate time.

HARVEST COLLECTION 2022 foodbank

Thank You Priory School

433 KG

Each gift makes an enormous difference to families and individuals who are most in need in our local community.

Approximately 10kg of essential food items and 1kg of toiletry items provide a single person with 3 days of emergency supplies.

www.slough.foodbank.org.uk
Registered charity number: 1153819 | Registered in England and Wales.

Dear Parents/Carers,
WOOHOO... MONDAY 14TH NOVEMBER IS ODD SOCKS DAY!

WHAT IS ODD SOCKS DAY?
Odd Socks Day is part of Anti-Bullying Week. Its intention is that we are all unique, we are that children wear odd socks to school on Monday 14th November. Last year over 15,000 schools took part in Odd Socks Day. Anti-Bullying Alliance (ABA) and its fund, Andy and the Odd Socks are supporting the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help bring Odd Socks Day to life again this year. Have a listen to the brilliant song they have recorded especially for Anti-Bullying Week, Calling Out...

WHY IS ODD SOCKS DAY IMPORTANT?
The day sends an important message to adults that they should be allowed to be themselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate anti-bullying week in a fun and positive way.

WHAT DO WE NEED FROM YOU?
It's simple ☺ Here's what you do:

1. Make sure your child wears odd socks to school
2. Donate £2 to help the anti-bullying Alliance carry on important work
3. If you want to, you can share a photo online using #oddsocksday, #anti bullyingweek and tag @antibullying and @antibullyinguk on Twitter, Instagram, Facebook and @antibullyinguk on Instagram.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!
Every penny goes to the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help continue all their work. We can't wait to see all the Odd Socks on Monday 14th November.

If you have any questions please ask:

ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE | REACH OUT | 14th NOVEMBER

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