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PRIORY SCHOOL NEWS

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Headteacher's News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, a huge well done to our fantastic Year 6 pupils who sat their SATs this week. Every single one of them has shown incredible determination, resilience, and hard work – we are all so proud of you!

A heartfelt thank you also goes to the Year 6 staff team, whose unwavering support, guidance, and dedication have made a real difference. The past few months have not been easy, but you have all gone above and beyond.

Thank you as well to all staff who helped support the SATs week in various ways, and to our amazing catering team for providing a lovely breakfast each morning – it really set the children up for the day. And finally, thank you to you, our parents and carers, for your continued encouragement and support.

Looking ahead, we are excited to invite you to our Soirée and VE Day Celebrations on Wednesday 21st May. Children are encouraged to wear red, white, and blue for a non-uniform day in celebration. The evening event will begin from 6.30pm which performance starting at 7.00pm and promises to be a wonderful occasion for families to come together and enjoy the talents of our pupils.

Tickets are £6.00 and include tea/coffee and delicious homemade cake, kindly prepared by our catering team. Tickets are selling fast and can be purchased via the Arbor app under the School Shop section.

A quick reminder that the last day of school is Thursday 22nd May (normal finishing time) We will return after the break on Monday 2nd June.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Attendance

Weekly attendance percentages - W/C 12th May

Whole School - 95.6%

Year 1 - 92.2%

Year 2 - 96.5%

Year 3 - 96.3%

Year 4 - 96.7%

Year 5 - 93.7%

Year 6 - 98.6%

Congratulations to Plum with 100% the highest attendance this week!

Important dates:

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

[Click here](#) to see term dates for 2024-2025

Leaflets and letters:

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

Sign of the week:

Mental Health

<https://youtu.be/tyyJGHfaQwM>



Peek at the Week

Nursery– 16th May 2025



Our Learning

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We have been talking about friendships and helping the children to understand how to make friends if they feel lonely. We then talked about the different ways that we can be a good friend to make sure that everyone enjoys their time in nursery.

Communication & Language Development

We have been enjoying our focus story 'Lulu Loves Flowers'. We made our own garden of flowers with silver bells and cockle shells and a 'Mary Mary character' and have been singing the Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary' nursery rhyme.



Physical Development

Watering plants and carrying a watering can helps us to develop our gross motor skills as well as teaching us about nature and responsibility.



Spare Clothing

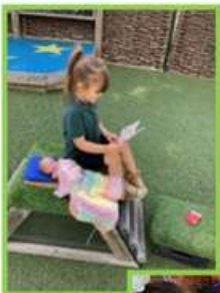


Our collection of 3-4yr old underwear, socks and trousers/leggings seems to have greatly depleted. Please if anyone has spares that they can donate to Nursery, they will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Please remember to wear **red**, white or **blue** for our VE celebrations on 21st May.



We have been reading lots of stories this week in Nursery.



Child of the week: Lara for using her English words to communicate more confidently her needs to staff and her friends.

Please share this video and encourage your child to sing along.

A Little Seed

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JOIfLIG0hoM>



Sign of the Week:

'pouring'

Contact us: nursery@prioryschool.com

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Peek at the Week–Reception

16/05/25

Some of our learning this week in Reception:



Understanding the World

We have had so many opportunities this week to explore the world around us, specifically nature. The adults have followed the children's interest in mini-beasts this week and have created opportunities to delve further into all things creepy crawly! We loved using magnifying glasses to get a closer look at bugs we found in the gardening corner and on the Priory mile track.

Our beans, sunflowers and tomato plants have really enjoyed the sunshine this week and the children have been very excited to observe the new growth each day!

On warmer days, please ensure your child has their water bottle and a sun hat to wear.

Coming up:

Thursday 22nd May–Last day of school

Wednesday 4th June–Sea Life Centre trip

Reception song of the week:

[The Millipede March](#)



Well done to our stars of the week!

R Paddington – Iyla-Ava

R Rupert – Izaan



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Peek at the Week

Year 1 – 16th May 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

Please can all book bags be brought in on a Thursday so library books and reading books can be changed.

Please log in to Numbots.

Homework

- ☐ Please read with your child for at least 15 minutes a day and record it in their reading diary.
- ☐ Focus core math skill: **Sharing a quantity into equal groups.**

☐ Please log on to numbots



This week's phonics QR code:



Bekonscot

On Wednesday 21st May, Year 1 will be going on their trip to Bekonscot. On this day, the rest of the school will be dressing in red, white and blue for our VE Day celebrations, Year 1 children are still welcome to wear non-school uniform during the trip.

As the weather is expected to be hot, please ensure your child wears weather appropriate non-school uniform, brings a hat, and is prepared for a day outdoors.

Our Learning

This week:

This week, we have finished our unit on multiplication and division. The children have been learning how to recognise whether groups are equal or unequal. On Tuesday, they were set the challenge of finding how many different ways they could share 20 counters into equal groups.

In English, the children used their planning from last week to write sentences explaining why they couldn't take their chosen animal on their chosen mode of transport. We are incredibly proud of how far they've come with their writing since the start of Year 1. They should be very proud of their final pieces!

In our afternoon sessions, the children have had lots of fun learning about transport hubs and the different types of technology found in them. They particularly enjoyed junk modelling their own train stations and airports, showcasing all the key features they had learned about.



Star of the week

1Donaldson: Aiza

1Jeffers: Sienna



Words of the Week: **thought** **through** **eye** **two** **friend**

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Peek at the Week

Year 2 – 16th May 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

21.05.25– As this is a non-uniform day children can wear Red, White, Blue T-shirt and black bottoms.



23.05.25 INSET DAY

w/c 26.05.25 Half term

Please read with and to your child every day and discuss what you are reading. Please make sure your child's reading book and diary are in their school bag every day as we are now changing different groups' books on different days.

Our spelling quiz will be on Thursday next week.

Please practice writing these spellings daily if possible. Please also login in to NumBots and Times Table Rockstars to practise both number bonds and times tables.

Please send your child in the correct PE uniform on **Wednesdays**.

Please also send your child in with **a cap and a water bottle**, especially now the weather is warmer

In the garden, we enjoyed painting some underwater scenes onto cling film. We thought about the setting and the different creatures that live there.



Child of the Week

2Newton: Anthony

2Franklin: Elijah



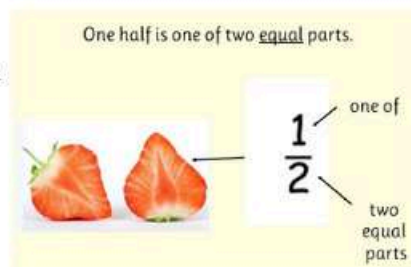
Our Learning

In English, we have written some wonderful diary extracts in role as the Snail this week. The children have used interesting descriptive vocabulary to describe a visit to both the Sahara Desert and the Amazon Rainforest.

In maths, we have finished our unit on division by using our timetables to help us solve dividing by 5 number sentences

and have started looking at a half and a quarter of shape.

In art, we enjoyed working in groups to collect natural objects and create some land art. We thought about different colours, textures, lines, patterns and shapes as we created our pieces.



Next week, we will finish our diary entries in English, look at finding a third of a shape in maths as well as building on our telling the time knowledge by recognising, making and drawing *quarter past* and *quarter to* on clocks. In RE, we will be focusing on Islam looking at prayer and a sense of belonging.



Peek at the Week

Year 3– 16th May 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

05.05.25 Bank Holiday 23.05.25 INSET DAY w/c

26.05.25 Half term HOMEWORK Please read with your child for at least 15 minutes every day and record this in their reading record. Ideas for reading at home can include reading a library book, a book from school or home, reading a bedtime story or following a recipe among other opportunities!

Books can also be read online at <https://www.collinshub.co.uk/login/>

Please practise number bonds and multiplication tables with your child. Times Tables Rockstars: <https://ttrockstars.com/>

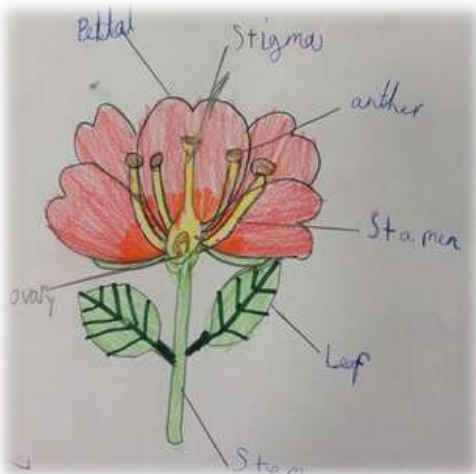
Don't forget that your child needs to wear the correct PE uniform to school each Monday.

Our Learning

This week, we have been learning about pop up mechanisms and how different fonts are used for effect. This works links to a design and technology unit where we aim to make our own pop up books about plants. In maths, we have been learning how to find a fraction of a number or group of objects. In English, we finished building our class sentence stack linked to the Pixar animation, 'The Blue Umbrella'.

Next week, we will be making our pop up books. This will allow us to show what we learnt about plants in our science lessons. In RE, we will be learning about the Sikh religion. In maths, we will begin a unit about money with a focus on finding change and converting pounds to pence and vice versa. In English, we will be planning our own stories inspired by 'The Blue Umbrella'.

Diagrams of flowering plants.



Word of the Week: **disappear** Follow this link to find more super daily activities:

www.morningchallenge.co.uk/

Contact us: year3@prioryschool.com

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Year 4 Peek at the Week

Friday 16th May 2025

Important Dates /Reminders

Wednesdays: wear the correct PE uniform to school. Please bring in a water bottle.

Fridays: Spelling test. Please remember to read at least three times a week and record it in the reading record. Your child also need to be practising their times tables as much as possible.

Times Table Check

Please spend time practising times tables with your child whenever possible.

Here are a few hints on how you can support your child:

- Use your child's heat map from Times Table Rock Stars to see which specific questions your child needs to work on.
- Practising on 'Garage' mode on Times Table Rock Stars.
- Times table songs on Youtube.
- Make up rhymes or jokes for times table questions that they are struggling with.

Our Learning

This week in English, the children have been writing their stories based on 'Arthur and the golden rope'. They have been changed the character's name and the items that they needed to find to fight the beast. The children were good at applying their knowledge of Norse mythology to write exciting stories.

In Maths, the children have been learning about the relationship between decimals and fractions. The children are able to write decimals and fractions correctly on a number line. We have also continued to focus on times table to ensure that the children are ready for the multiplication check at the beginning of June.

Next week in English, the children are going to be editing their stories focusing on the success criteria. The children need to take their time to think about their sentence before they write it and then re-read it afterwards to check that they have written what they think they have.

In Maths, we are going to be continuing to look at decimals. The children will be learning about dividing two digits by 10 and the value of hundredth.

In the afternoons next week we are going to be doing D.T in the afternoon and the children will be making buzzer games. We will also be continuing to learn about relationships and how people get along but sometimes also fall out and how to deal with it.



Child of the week:

4 Turing: Yusuf **4 Lovelace:** Jack L **4 Chamberlain:** Alex I

Remember to read 3 times a week and practise your timetables on Rockstar Maths.

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Year 5 Peek at the Week

16th May 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

21st May: Soiree and VE Celebrations

3rd June: Fire Service Visit

17th June: Arts Week

23rd June: Whole Day at Burnham Grammar

Please come and watch your children perform WW2 songs at the Soiree and VE celebrations day on Wednesday 21st May.

We created Vanishing Points in Art using perspectives.



Our Learning

This week, we continued to explore perspective in our art lessons. We looked at texture and how this can add realism to our drawings.

In maths, we continued our topic on co-ordinates and focused on reflection, as well as starting our new topic of decimals.

In English, we will apply what we have learnt in this unit to plan and write our own version of the

In PSHRE, we are focusing on a variety of aspects aiming at online gaming, communities and building relationships safely.

Next week, we will apply skills learnt in art to a drawing of the school grounds. We will also begin our unit on Sikhism where we will explore links between this religion and others studied this year.

In maths, we start our new topic of decimals, and will learn new strategies for adding and subtracting decimals across 1.

In English, we will write our own version of The Highwayman. Here, we will apply the techniques learnt in English this term.

Child of the week

5Dawe: **Igho-Rose** 5Maple: **Luca** 5Ofili: **Ali**

Word of the Week: **rhyme**

Remember to read 3 times a week and practise your timetables on Rockstar Maths.

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Year 6 Peek at the Week

Friday 16th May 2025

Important Information

- 20.05.25:** Lion King Trip
- 21.05.25:** Priory Musical Soiree
- 23.05.25:** INSET day
- 26.05.25–30.05.25:** May Half Term
- 11.06.25:** Little Canada Parent Information Meeting (5:30–6:30pm)
- 24.06.25 and 26.06.25:** Y6 Production
- 01.07.25:** Y6 Transition Day
- 04.07.25:** Y6 Summer Fair
- 09.07.25:** Y6 Sports Day
- 11.07.25 - 14.07.25:** Little Canada Residential Trip
- 22.07.25 –** Y6 Leavers Graduation & Picnic
- 23.07.25:** Y6 Guard of Honour

Our Learning

This week, in history, we continued our History of London topic by exploring the Gunpowder Plot and the Great Plague.

This week, we have also begun rehearsals for the Year 6 Production of '**Peter Pan the Musical**'. The children have started learning the songs and had the chance to watch the movie!

Next week, in history, we will continue our history of London topic by exploring two more events: The Great Stink and the opening of the London Underground.

In art, we will continue our cityscapes topic, learning to use palette knives to create texture with paint.

Next week, in production rehearsals, we will begin the audition process. Roles will be cast by the end of the week.

A number of secondary schools have also begun their school visits so that the children can meet their new Year 7 teachers.

PSHRE Focus: Healthy Me. In PSHRE this term, we will learn how to take responsibility for our wellbeing. We will know about different types of drugs and how they affect the human body – particularly the liver and the heart.



Child of the Week:

6 Attenborough: Umar **6 Anning:** Logan **6 Darwin:** Charli

Word of the Week: rhyme

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Peek of the Week

The Orchard
Week commencing- 12.05.25

Important Dates/ information

Monday- Apples Class
Community Trips. Please could Apples bring in £2 for their community trips so the children are able to buy something from the shops.

Wednesday- Plums Class
TVAP, please can children bring swim wear to play in the splash area and spare clothes.

Wednesday-VE Day Celebrations Please send in snacks for the VE Day celebration party

Thursday- Pears Class
Swimming

Please send children with towel, swim wear and swim nappies.

Peek of the Week from the Orchard

This week:

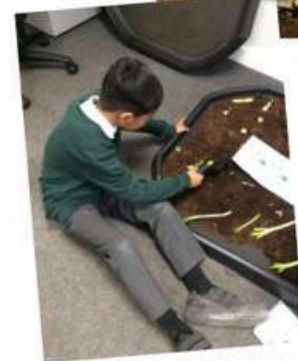
In English, we went to Mr McGregors garden to practice harvesting vegetables. We named all the vegetables that we found in the planters and followed instructions on how to harvest the vegetables. Then we wrote the sequence of what you need to do during the harvesting process.

In Maths we worked on shapes and fractions. We used playdough cutters, to cut out shapes and then used knives to cut them into twos/halves. In our shape work we made and continued on patterns made up of different shapes. We also searched around our classroom to match shapes to the classroom environment.

In Science, the children created their own flower using a variety of art resources. They all looked beautiful! The children named each part of the flower by sticking symbols next to the different parts.

Makaton sign of the week:

Harvest



Stars of the week

Plums: Zidan for taking on the lead role of Love My Life.

Cherries: Rafi for engaging in outdoor activities and playing with his peers

Apples: Kyree for playing so nicely in the playground and sharing his toys.

Pears: Chanel for engaging well in P.E and following instructions



Soiree and VE Day Celebrations

Priory School are proud to announce our Soiree and VE Day Celebrations will be taking place on Wednesday 21st May. Doors open at 6.30pm where guests can join us for Tea/Coffee & homemade cake! Performances will start at 7.00pm.

Tickets are priced at £6.00 which include Tea/Coffee and cake. These are available to purchase on Arbor under the school shop section.

Letters have been emailed and sent home to all children who have been invited to take part.

Tickets are open to parents of children who are performing on the night but will open to the whole school On Friday 16th May at 4.00pm

Payment for the Year 4 Samba workshop is also available on the school shop

We look forwarded to seeing you and joining us for what will be a wonderful evening!



Priory School Soirée & VE Day Celebrations

Wednesday 21st May 2025

Doors open at 6.30pm

Performances at 7.00pm

A celebration of Music & Dance



Performances by:

Priory's Got Talent

Performers

Priory Street Dance Crew

Music and singing by & include Tea/Coffee and Homemade Cake

Priory Students & Staff



Performances by:

Priory Choir

Yr4 Samba

Yr5 WW2 Songs

& More

Tickets available on Arbor : £6.00

Year 5 Visit the Gurdwara in Slough: A Day of Learning and Respect

On a bright and cheerful morning, Year 5 students embarked on a memorable educational visit to the Guru Maneyo Granth Gurdwara in Slough. The trip formed part of the school's Religious Education curriculum, giving pupils a chance to explore Sikh beliefs, traditions, and community life firsthand.

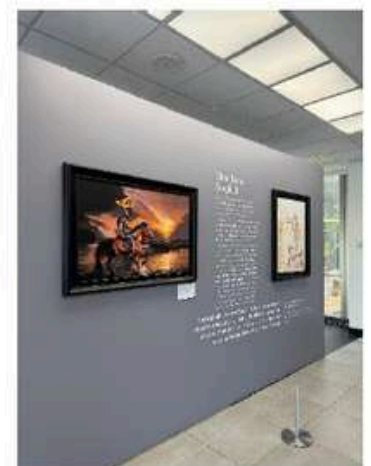
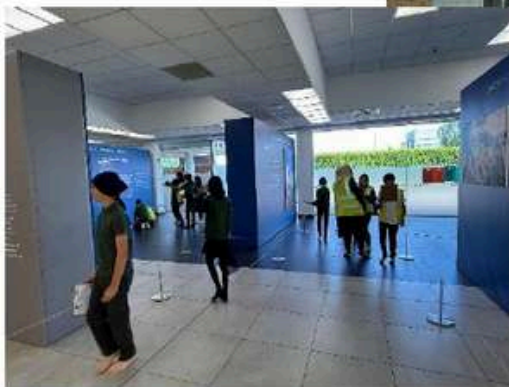
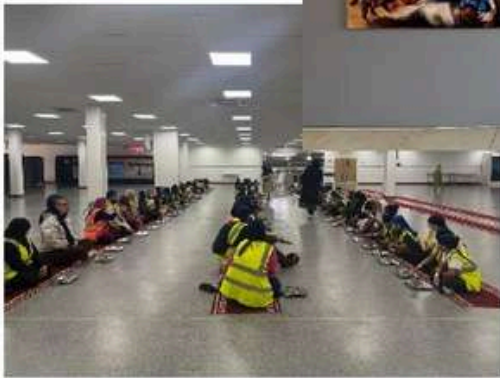
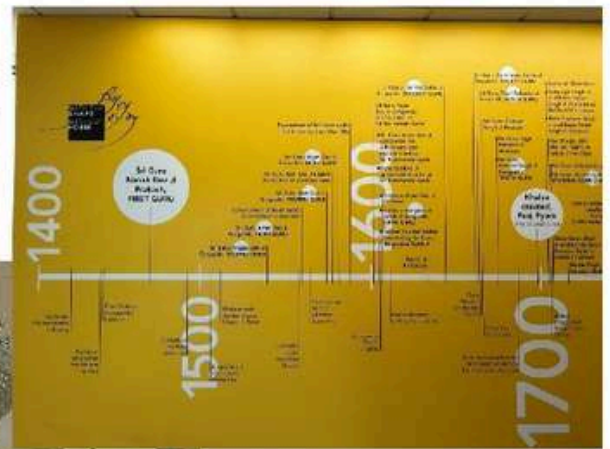
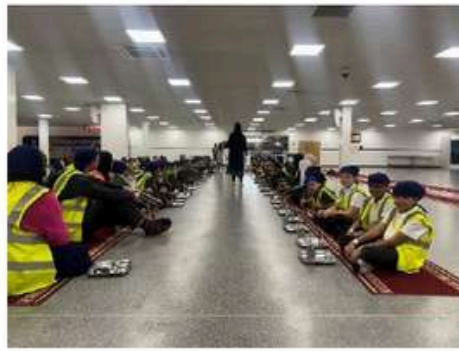
The moment the children arrived, they were warmly welcomed by members of the Gurdwara. Their hosts kindly explained the importance of removing shoes and covering heads before entering, showing respect for the sacred space. The children participated enthusiastically, listening carefully and asking thoughtful questions.

Guided around the Gurdwara, the pupils were given the opportunity to admire the stunning prayer hall, where they observed the Guru Granth Sahib, the holy scripture of Sikhism, being read. The guide explained how Sikhs show deep respect to their holy book, and how worshippers offer prayers, sing hymns (kirtan), and sit together in peaceful reflection.

One of the highlights of the visit was experiencing the Langar, a community kitchen that serves free meals to all visitors, regardless of background or religion. The Year 5 pupils were amazed to learn that the Langar is run entirely by volunteers and open every day of the year. They had the chance to sit together and enjoy a simple, delicious vegetarian meal, appreciating the Sikh values of equality, service, and community spirit.

Throughout the visit, the children demonstrated curiosity, respect, and excellent behaviour. Teachers and Gurdwara staff alike were impressed by their interest and insightful questions.

This trip offered more than just religious education, it was a powerful reminder of the value of kindness, inclusion, and learning from one another. Year 5 returned with open hearts, full minds, and a deeper appreciation for the diverse world around them.





The Urdu language is spoken predominantly in Pakistan and India. It is the official state language of Pakistan and is also officially recognized in the constitution of India. Significant Urdu communities exist in the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, and the United States.



My name is Moksha
and I am from India
میرا نام موکشا ہے اور
میں ہندوستان سے ہوں

I can speak Hindi which is
similar to Urdu.

میں ہندی بول سکتا ہوں جو اُدرو
سے ملتی جلتی ہے

I like to play games.

مجھے گیمز کھیلنا پسند ہے

I like to eat cake.

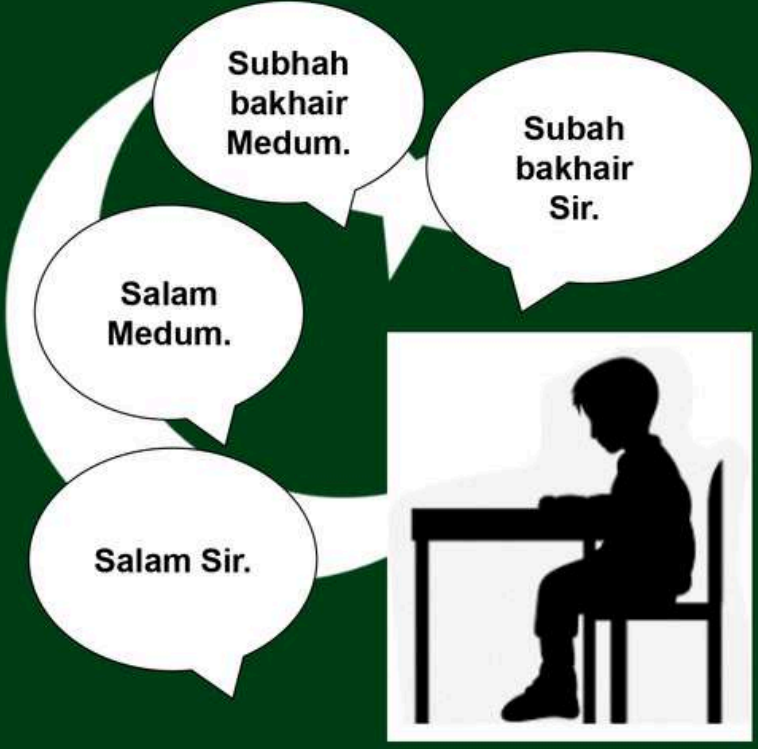
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رجسٹر – The Register

Urdu	English
Subah bakhair صبح بخیر	Good morning
Medum میڈم	Madam
Sahb صاحب	Sir
Subah bakhair صبح بخیر	Good afternoon
Salam سلام	Hello



رنگ – Colours





Kon sa rang?

کون سا رنگ

Urdu	English
bara maharbani براہ مہربانی	please
Shukria شکریہ	thank you
Kon sa rang? کون سا رنگ	Which colour?

Narangi
aap ka
shukria.

Sabz bara
mahrabani.

Peela
aap ka
shukria.

Nila aap
ka
shukria.

Surkh bara
mahrabani.



Good morning

صبح بخیر

Sabah
bakhair

Thank you

شکریہ

Shukria

Yes

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Han

Please

براہ مہربانی

Barah
mahrabani

Well done

اچھا کیا

Achaa
Kiyan

Sorry

معذرت

Marzarat

Good afternoon

صبح بخیر

Sabah
bakhair

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Goodbye

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1-apBSAjetw>



Useful websites:

Facts:

<https://www.kids-world-travel-guide.com/pakistan-facts.html>



CHARITY FUN SKATE

SUNDAY 18TH MAY 2025

SLOUGH ICE ARENA

10AM TILL 1PM

£10 per person or
£30 for a family of four

Includes skate hire

All ticket sales and proceeds go

To Spice Jets and Spice Synchro events.

To Book your tickets, scan the QR code or visit:

<https://tinyurl.com/mvhv23x2>





GEMS

Autism & ADHD Support Service
East Berkshire

Bear cubs



Ages 5 to 10



First and third Monday of the
month - 4pm to 5pm

7th April - Lego Fun - Dedworth Library, Windsor

21st April - Easter Monday - No session

5th May - May Bank Holiday - No session

19th May - Big on Bouncing - Slough (fee applies)

2nd June - Story Time - Langley Library

16th June - Picnic in the Park - Bracknell

**Please note activities may be subject to change*

Registration:

Gems.4Health@nhs.net
0800 999 1342

Criteria:

Children with or likely to have
ADHD and/or autism and
living in East Berkshire



For more information: Call 0800 999 1342 or visit www.Gems4Health.com



Online information sessions for parents of children with SEND, young people with SEND, and professionals

Wednesday 11 June 2025 11am-12noon or 6-7pm.

This session will focus on ceasing the EHC plan.

Upcoming sessions include:

- Wednesday 10 September - Annual reviews
- Tuesday 18 November - Early years SEN support.



To book, email:
SENDIASS@slough.gov.uk
(please specify AM or PM session)
or via
www.sloughsendiass.org.uk