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ISSUE 10

PRIORY SCHOOL NEWS

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Headteacher's News

Thank you to everyone for another positive and busy week at Priory. As always, it has been lovely to welcome so many families into school and to feel the strong sense of community that makes Priory such a special place.

However, I do need to raise an important issue which has been brought to our attention again by local residents. We have received further complaints from families living on Royston and Mead Way about the way some parents are parking at drop-off and pick-up times. In particular, cars have been parked directly across driveways, leaving residents unable to get in or out of their homes.

During a walk around the local roads yesterday, I personally had to ask three drivers to move their cars from blocked driveways. This is not acceptable, and it has a significant impact on our neighbours and the reputation of our school.

To be absolutely clear, we will once again remind all parents that:

- Parking across dropped kerbs is illegal.
- Parking on double yellow lines is also illegal.
- Respect for residents' access and for our wider community is expected at all times.

The safety of our pupils, families and local residents remains a priority for us, and we are committed to working together to ensure a respectful, safe environment around the school.

We have also advised residents that they are fully entitled to report illegal parking directly to Slough Borough Council and to request enforcement officers to attend the area. Their presence – and their ability to issue penalties – can help deter repeat offences and support the community as a whole.

Promoting Respectful Conversations in Our Community

This week, we were reminded how important it is for all of us—staff, parents, carers and the wider community—to be mindful of the conversations children hear around them. Children repeat and try to make sense of what they hear at home and in the community,

and sometimes comments can be misinterpreted or taken out of context. However, they can still have a real impact on how children feel.

At Priory, we are proud of our diverse and multicultural community, and we work hard to promote respect, understanding and unity. We kindly ask all families to help us reinforce these values by being conscious of the messages children may overhear.

A small reminder or moment of reflection from adults can make a big difference to how children treat and understand one another. Thank you, as always, for helping us create a school environment where every child feels safe, included and respected.

Communication has now gone out about our first Learning Together Week, and we are really looking forward to welcoming parents into classrooms. These sessions are invite-only simply because we can only accommodate ten parents at a time, but across the year every family will have the chance to attend.

Preparations for our Christmas Fair on Friday 5th December are also well underway. It is always one of the highlights of the Priory calendar, and donations so far have been greatly appreciated. We are still particularly in need of toiletries, children's games and tombola items – any additional contributions would be warmly welcomed.

Have a lovely weekend

Important dates:

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

[Click here](#) to see term dates for 2025-2026

Leaflets and letters:

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

Signs of the week:

Step mum, Step dad, Brother,
Sister

<https://youtu.be/olqHdBjLdMQ>



Peek at the Week

Nursery – 21st November 2025

Learning Together Sessions

Tuesday 2nd December 11am (for morning parents)

Tuesday 2nd December 2:45pm (for morning parents)

Thursday 4th December 2:45pm (for all day children)



We were very excited to spend time in the snow this week. For some of our children it was the first time they had seen snowflakes!



Learning

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We have been talking about how to make sure our Nursery is a happy place for everyone to learn in. This week we have been focusing on 'listening to our teachers and to our friends'



Communication & Language Development

We have been exploring the outside frozen garden and finding lots of new words to describe the cold, the ice and the falling snow.



Physical Development

We have been developing our large motor skills by mark making on a large scale. Drawing and painting lines from top to bottom is crucial for developing fine motor skills, hand-eye co-ordination and preparing children for writing.



Child of the week: Zakariya for coming into nursery happily each day and beginning to 'choose it, use it and put it away' when playing.

Song of the week: Two Little Dickie Birds sitting on a wall.

<https://youtu.be/TC0xyMOy8xA?si=AZDws0zjuOol3NXL>



Word of the Week: snowflake

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Peek at the Week

Reception - 21st November 2025



Important Dates / Reminders

Friday 5th December 2025 – Priory Christmas Fayre

16th December 2025- Christmas performance

End of term 2- 19th December 2025 (we will confirm whether this will be a full day or half day.

PE – Every Thursday – Please send your child to school wearing their PE kit.

We will be sending reading books home every Wednesday.

Learning Together: Mon 1st, Tues 2nd, Wed 3rd 8:45 – 9:30am.

Please note that the 'orange' lunch option is not available for the children in reception.

Homework

- Please read with your child for at least 15 minutes a day.
- Focus core math skill: **Composition** – we will be using the vocabulary: **whole and part**

As the weather is getting cooler and the rain has started to arrive, please can you ensure your child comes to school with a rain coat or jacket as we will be continuing our busy learning outside.

Please can we ask that your child brings in a named water bottle every day. Additionally can we ask all school uniform is named.

Thank you for your support!

Our Learning - This week:

Communication and Language Development:



This week, we continued with our Little Wandle Phonics Program! The children have been revisiting the sounds g, o, c, k, and learning how to blend the sound together to confidently read words.

In drawing club this week we have been looking at the story 'The Wombles'. The children have enjoyed looking at all the different characters and where the story is set. They then thought about how they change the story and re-tell it their way!



Maths:

In **math's** we are learning that objects are made of different parts. When we put all the parts together, we can see the whole object. Use the link below to support your child in their math's learning.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LFki4BENvcw>

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

In PSHE, we have been learning about working together with others and consider other people's feelings. Children are developing their understanding of key words such as: **taking turns, sharing, nervous, feelings.**



R Paddington: Manahil

R Rupert: Aminah



Reception song of the week: Away in a manger

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Peek at the Week

Year 1 – 21/11/25

Important Dates / Reminders

- Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 5th December
- Christmas Fair – Friday 5th December (Children collected from Year 1 at 3pm)
- Year 1 Nativity – Monday 15th December, 2pm.
- Nativity costumes in school (in a labelled bag please) Wednesday 3rd December



Our Learning

We are beginning to get very busy in Year 1! This week we have been practicing our Nativity songs with Mrs Shaw, and they are sounding fantastic! In RE we have started to look at our Christianity topic, beginning with the idea of Creation.

Both classes showed off their incredible creativity when designing and making our Christmas hoops- which will be hanging from the ceiling of our school hall. The theme this year was Winter Wonderland! Make sure to look up during the Christmas Fair on Friday 5th.



Star of the Week

1 Jeffers: Kiyra

1 Donaldson: Elissa



Words of the Week: **could** **would** **should**

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Peek at the Week

Year 2 – 21st November 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

5.12.25 Christmas Market

19.12.25 Last day of term

Please read with and to your child every day and discuss what you are reading. Once the children have used their phonics to decode the words in the book, please re-read the book several times over the week to help them build up their pace and fluency.

Spellings are sent home on Fridays with a spelling quiz the following Friday. Please practice writing these spellings daily if possible.

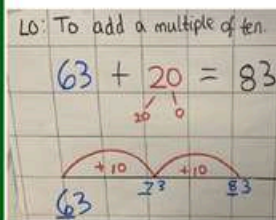
Please send your child in the correct PE uniform on **Wednesdays**.

Please send your child in with a coat or waterproof jacket as they will be outside in the garden daily.



Our Learning

This week, in English we have finished writing up our fact files on African animals and we began our new book about a girl called Anna who goes on holiday. In maths we have worked hard on using blank number lines to add single-digit numbers and also add multiples of 10 to any 2-digit number.



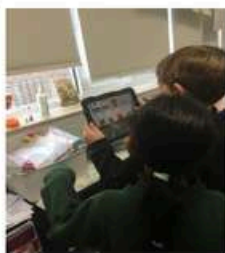
In Geography, we have enjoyed learning about aerial maps, grids maps, atlases and street maps.

The children have had great fun in the garden this week painting a jungle and building their own city.



Next week, we will continue to read our book in English. We will then write a postcard to our cousins, in role as Anna, asking them to come and join us. In maths, we will consolidate our understanding from this week and move on to add teen numbers.

In Computing, we are learning about digital photography and this week we focused on how to take a good photograph – thinking about positioning and framing as well as portrait versus landscape.



Child of the Week

2Newton: Sienna

2Franklin: Jacob





Peek at the Week

Year 3– 21st November 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

27.11.25 3 Seacole–Swimming lessons

05.12.25 Priory's Christmas Fair/
Christmas Jumper Day



HOMEWORK

Please encourage your child to read for at least 15 minutes every day and to record this in their reading record. You can access the children's online library by following this link:

<https://www.collinshub.co.uk/login/>

Please also spend 10-15 minutes a day on TTRS to practise times tables:

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>

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

Our Learning

This week, we learnt how to use seasonal fruit to create a pastry. The kitchen staff helped us to bake our pastries which we will then tasted to evaluate.

In Maths, we have been exploring multiplication and division with a focus on the 3x tables.

On Friday, we had an amazing day on our trip to Whipsnade Zoo. **Pictures to follow!**

During, the visit, we had the opportunity to take part in a workshop where we looked at the skulls of different animals to work out what their diet might be.

Next week, we will begin a unit in our geography lessons learning about the topography of the United Kingdom. Our work next week will focus on using atlases to name and locate the major cities, mountains and seas surrounding the UK.

In Maths, we will continue to explore strategies for multiplication and division.

In English, we will continue to learn about non chronological reports. Our writing is inspired by the incredible pangolin.



Word of the Week: strength

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Peek at the Week

Year 4– 21st November 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

05.12.25 Priory's Christmas Fair & Christmas Jumper Day



HOMEWORK

Please encourage your child to read for at least 20 minutes every day and to record this in their reading record. You can access the children's online library by following this link:

<https://www.collinshub.co.uk/login/>

Please also spend 10-15 minutes a day on TTRS to practise times tables:

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>

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

Only fruit is allowed for a break time snack.

Word of the Week: strength

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Our Learning

This week, we have been learning about the location, name and function of different parts of the human digestive system.

We also learnt about how food chains can be used to represent the relationship between living things in a habitat.



In Maths, we have been exploring how to calculate perimeter and to convert between metric measurements..

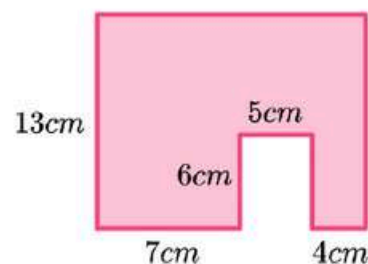
In French we have been learning the names of different colours.

Next week, we will learn about food webs in the local environment. And how human activity can affect this balance.



In English, we will compose a Kennings Poem inspired by our text 'Charlotte's Web'.

In Maths, we will learn how to calculate perimeter of compound shapes.





Year 5 Peek at the Week

21st November 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

Tuesdays: Wear the correct PE uniform to school. Please bring in a water bottle.

No Pens Day: 26th November 2024.

Xmas Fayre: Friday 5th December 2025.

Our Learning

This week, we continued to explore the migration routes of refugees and created collaborative pieces of Art work.

In maths, we learnt about square numbers and cube numbers alongside how to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000.

In English, we began our unit on Azzi. This is a picture book which explores the impact of WW2 on our world and the journey of a refugee family as they search for safety.

In PSHRE, we continued to look at cultural differences within the classroom and how we should be celebrating these differences rather than allowing them to cause conflict.

Next week, we will continue exploring Vector Drawings in ICT and Mountains, Earthquakes and Volcanoes in geography.

In maths, we will start our fractions topic and focus on finding equivalent fractions for non unit and unit fractions.

In English, we will continue writing effective sentences for our speech. We will use our knowledge of refugees to help structure thoughts and ideas about refugeeism.

In English, we looked at a speech about the rights to education for girls.



Star of the week

5Dawe: **Aarya** 5Maple: **Aarav** 5Ofili: **Tasneem**

Word of the Week: **controversy**

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 21st November 2025

Important Dates /Reminders

02.12.25: Cippenham Baptist Church Visit

05.12.25: Christmas Fair/ Christmas Jumper Day

Thursdays: Wear the correct PE uniform to school. Please bring in a water bottle.

Thursdays: Spelling quiz. Homework due:

- Reading record x3
- Spellings x1
- Times tables practice on TTRS

Times Tables Rock Stars: Play (trockstars.com)

Our Learning

This week, in history, we continued our monarchy unit by learning about King John I, the importance of the Magna Carta, and Henry VIII.

In English, we planned our biography, by researching an inspirational figure in the Black community, including the likes of Marcus Rashford, Simone Biles and Stormzy.

In maths, we continued to explore fractions, focusing on adding and subtracting mixed numbers and solving multi-step problems.

Next week, in history, we will learn about King Charles I and witness his court case: King Charles I vs The People.

In art, we will continue our symbolism topic with a monarchy theme. We will design and create Elizabeth I playing cards using collage techniques.

In English, we will be writing our biography independently, using the skills and techniques we have learnt over the unit.

In maths, we will learn to multiply fractions by integers and by fractions and begin to explore how to divide fractions by an integer.

Y6 Collage Art:



PSHRE Focus: Celebrating Difference. In PSHRE this term, we will learn to accept that everyone is different and understand that there are different perceptions of 'normal'. By the end of the unit, we will know how to help someone who is being bullied and explain ways in which one person or a group can have power over others. We will learn the importance of using kind words by appreciating people for who they are.



Child of the week:

Word of the Week: convenience

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The Orchard–Peek of the Term

Week commencing: 17/11/2025

Important Dates

Community trip– Plum class–
Monday - Please bring in £2

TVAP– Pear class–Wednesday.
Please bring pack lunch.

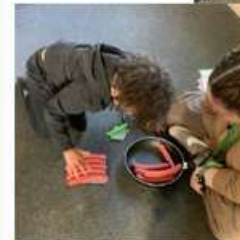
Swimming– Apple class–
Friday. Please bring in
swimwear and a towel

Our Learning

This week in Maths, the children have continued exploring number bonds within 10. The Orchard have especially enjoyed singing "10 Sizzling Sausages". We also had great fun this week making our own playdough sausages and using them to count and form different number bonds.



In English this week, the children have continued exploring our topic book *The Moonlit Campout*. The children have been very busy creating their own campfire and even toasting marshmallows, just like the characters in the story! To finish the week, the children enjoyed making a delicious cup of hot chocolate – the perfect cosy ending to our campout adventures.



Makaton sign:



Star of the week

Pears– Zamin for tidying up and following instructions



Cherry– Emira for good listening and helping in class

Berries– Ethan for using his calm voice inside the classroom

Apples– Azaan for fantastic signing and singing for the Christmas concert

Plums– Amira for good singing and signing for the Christmas concert

Strawberries– Rosy for good behavior and engaging in all lessons



WORLD[®]

Nursery Rhyme Week

Nursery celebrated World Nursery Rhyme Week 10th - 14th November 2025. Each day we learnt to sing a different rhyme.

We learnt:

Sing a Song of Sixpence

Humpty Dumpty

When I was one

I hear Thunder

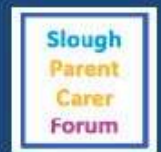
Two little Dickie Birds

During the week we had fun completing lots of activities based around each rhyme.

We finished the week with many of our parents joining us for a rhyme time session. It was lovely seeing the children so excited to have a parent or family member sing with them. Thank you to all the parents who joined us. It was a great end to a brilliant nursery rhyme week.



Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS)



Participation session

**For parent carers of children
with neurodivergent needs**

**JOIN US AT
YOUR SCHOOL**

**Wednesday 3 December 09:30 - 10:30
Priory School**



[Click here to book](#)

Connect - Share - Make a difference

PINS is a national project funded by NHS England in partnership with the Department for Education, Department of Health & Social Care & the National Network of Parent Carer Forums



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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMP!

We are delighted to be running a Multi-Sport and Football Camp at Alexander School (SL4 4XP) over the Xmas Holidays!

Running on the 23rd, 29th, 30th & 31st of December!

Don't miss out & make the most of our early bird offer today!



BOOK NOW!

- ✓ Loads of Games
- ✓ Lots of Prizes to be won
- ✓ Different sports throughout the day for multi-sports
- ✓ Different focus for football and matches
- ✓ Heaps of Fun



EARLY BIRD ££17.50/DAY *
*UNTIL 21ST NOVEMBER
£25/DAY AFTER

10AM - 3PM
9AM DROP OFF (£4)

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Berkshire & surrounding areas.



Burnham Park Hall

CHRISTMAS MARKET & LIGHT
SWITCH ON

SATURDAY 6th DECEMBER
2025

1pm to 8pm

SANTA'S GROTTO WITH REAL LIFE
REINDEERS, MULLED WINE, CHOIR,
MERRYMENT AND MINCE PIES!

FREE ENTRY (SMALL CHARGE FOR
SANTA GROTTO)
LIGHT SWITCH ON APPROX
6:30PM

BURNHAM PARK HALL
WINDSOR LANE
BURNHAM
BUCKS
SL1 7HR



BURNHAM PARK HALL PRESENTS

The Santa Show



It's Christmas Eve in the North Pole and the Elves are making final preparations to Santa's sleigh before a crisis strikes! Santa's needs your help to resolve the problem before it is too late and Christmas is cancelled.

Will the children be able to help Santa save the day?

SATURDAY 20 DECEMBER 2025
2:30PM & 4PM

BURNHAM PARK HALL

WINDSOR LANE, BURNHAM, SL1 7HR

Tickets £5 adults / £10 under 16s (includes gift)

www.ticketsource.co.uk/burnhamparkhall

SCAN ME



CYPIT Speech and Language Therapy

are offering a parent drop-in session!

The team will be available for any
questions about your child or young
person's speech and language therapy
needs.

Join us between
8.45am-10am on
Thursday 27th
November 2025



Confirm attendance: [SALT Parent Drop in
Session -](#) [Fill in form](#)



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