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PRIORY SCHOOL NEWS

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Headteacher's News

It has been another fantastic week at school. Our Eid Bazaar was such a lot of fun and a massive thank you to all those who attended. On Tuesday evening many of our pupils took part, whether dancing, singing or playing an instrument. It was a lovely event and really showcased the amazing talent we have here. Yesterday we had our KS1 Spring Fling which the children thoroughly enjoyed.

Today we welcomed visitors from other local schools as part of our work within the Maths Hub. They were able to visit a range of classes and year groups and left with many positive comments about the excellent provision we have in place across the school. We are incredibly proud of our staff and pupils for demonstrating such enthusiasm, confidence and commitment to learning.

Our newly formed Social Media Team have also been working hard behind the scenes to create and share some fabulous short clips on Instagram and Facebook. Please do take a look at our pages and remember to like and share the posts to help celebrate all of the wonderful things happening in our school community.

Thank you so much to everyone who has already completed the parent survey. Your feedback is incredibly valuable and really helps us to reflect on our strengths and shape our priorities for the next academic year. If you have not yet completed the survey, we would be very grateful if you could take a few moments to do so.

[Priory School Parent Survey – Summer 2026 – Fill in form](#)

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We hope you all have a lovely half term! Remember there is no school tomorrow!

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:

Coat, Jacket, Jumper

<https://youtu.be/lxAOxf97ZOI>

Attendance

Weekly attendance percentages
W/C 11th April

Whole School - 93.94%

Nursery - 90.99%

Reception - 91.77%

Year 1 - 96.06%

Year 2 - 95.09%

Year 3 - 96.52%

Year 4 - 94.53%

Year 5 - 94.04%

Year 6 - 91.19%

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



Peek at the Week

Nursery– 21st May 2026



Half term

Have a great half term break and enjoy being outside (hopefully in some sunshine !!)



We look forward to welcoming you back to nursery on **Monday 1st June**.

Future Diary Date

Learning Together Week will be during the week beginning **Monday 15th June**.

(Dates and times to follow)

This week we have been creating 'dinosaur swamps' in the garden. We had to carry



water across the garden to pour onto our mud. Our dinosaurs have had great fun getting dirty!



Our Learning

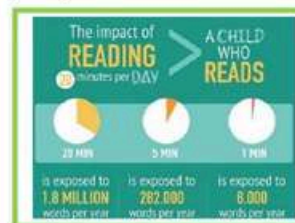
Personal, Social & Emotional Development



We have been talking more about friendships and about how important it is to use **kind** words. We thought about all the kind things we could say and about the words we thought were not kind to say to others.

Communication & Language Development

We share many books together throughout the day in nursery. Please don't forget to continue to share stories with your child over the half term break.



Physical Development

We have been developing our fine motor skills this week with lots of cutting and sticking. We have been sprinkling glitter which is an excellent tool for developing fine motor skills because it requires the precise "pincer grasp" (using the thumb and index finger) to pick up tiny particles and control their release.



Child of the week: 😊 for coming into nursery this week more confidently with a big smile and for beginning to enjoy interactions with his teachers.

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

[Dinosaur Stomp Dance](#) | [Kids Nursery Rhymes](#) | [Fun & Active Song for Toddlers & Preschool](#)



Contact us: nursery@priorschool.com

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Peek at the Week

Reception – 21st May, 2026

Important Dates / Reminders

- 22nd May – INSET Day
- 25th–29th May – Half Term
- 16th June – Reception class trip to wellington country park.

PE News:

PE will continue to be on Thursday's after the half term. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing the correct PE uniform. Details can be found on our website. <https://www.prioryschool.co.uk/uniform-information>

We will be sending reading books home every Wednesday, please ensure your child brings their book bag on this day.

Homework

- Please read with your child for at least 15 minutes a day.

As the weather is getting warmer, please can you ensure your child comes to school with a named water bottle and a cap. 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 our journey of non-fiction texts. We have learnt so much about life under the sea and written some lovely sentences about what we have learnt!



Please do continue to encourage your child to write at home. Maybe they can help you write a shopping list or maybe an ingredients list.

Please continue to practice the following tricky words:

the, of, I, put, pull, full, was, they, you, push, was, by, all, into, are, sure, pure.

Maths:

In math's, we have been looking at all the different skills we have learnt so far! This week we have focused on number bonds. Using our number skills, we have been able to complete whole numbers using this rhyme:

2 and 2 make 4,

4 is made of 2 and 2

Reception trip to Wellington Country Park!

Just a gentle reminder to confirm your child's place for our reception school trip. This can be done through the Arbor App.

We are looking forward to taking your children on this wonderful adventure!

Reception song of the week: - A Hole in the Bottom of the Sea

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R1Qn2bcZRT0&list=RDR1Qn2bcZRT0&start_radio=1

Reception Star of the week:

R Rupert: Franki

R Paddington: Connie



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Peek at the Week

Year 1 – 15/05/26

Important Dates / Reminders

- Please send bookbags in every Wednesday
- 18th May – Eid Bazaar
- 19th May – Soiree
- 20th May – Spring Fling
- 21st May – Last day of school

The Spring Fling will take place on Wednesday 20th May. Tickets can be purchased now from your class teacher, for £1. Year 1 and 2 can come to school on Wednesday in their party clothes, as we will not be getting changed before the disco. The disco will finish at 4.15, when you can collect your child from their classroom.

In English we have been reading Mr Gumpy's Motor Car. At the start of the week we looked at the features of a book cover, and the children made predictions about what would happen to Mr Gumpy. Later in the week, we focussed on plurals, adding 's' and 'es' to words.

Maths this week has focussed on fractions! We explored halves and quarters, and discussed the vocabulary equal and unequal. We looked at how many quarters can make a half, and how many halves make a whole.

In History, we discussed what the future of transport may look like. We compared modern vehicles to those from the 19th century and investigated some of the newest cars and trains around the world today. The children were amazed to hear about Japan's Maglev train! They then designed their own futuristic cars.



Stars of the Week

1 Jeffers – Iyla

1 Donaldson – Noah



Words of the Week: future

magnetic

levitate

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Peek at the Week

Year 3– 21st May 2026

Important Dates / Reminders

Eid Celebration after school

22.05.26: INSET Day

w/c 25.05.26: Half Term



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:

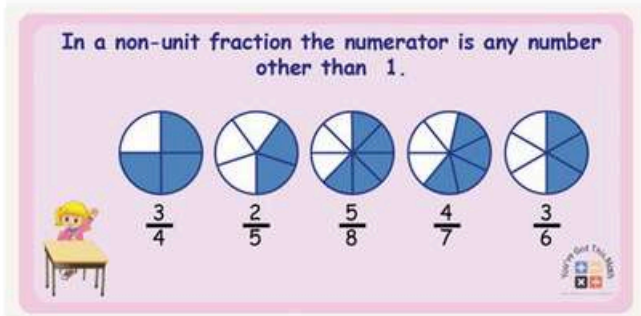
<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>

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

Our Learning

This week, we have been learning about the weather in our geography lessons.

In Maths, we explored equivalent fractions and non unit fractions.



In English, we finished writing and then edited our myths.

After half term, we will be continuing to learn about the weather in geography with a focus on the water cycle.

In English, we will begin a unit where we will have the opportunity to read and write some poetry.

In Maths, we will be exploring money and how to convert between pounds and pence.

Word of the Week: medicine

Painting our clay pots.

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Peek at the Week

Year 4 – 21st May 2026

Important Dates / Reminders

22.05.26: INSET Day

w/c 25.05.26: Half Term

w/c 01.06.26 : Multiplication Tables Check



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 **Wednesday**.

Only fruit is allowed for a break time snack.

Word of the Week: medicine



In our music lessons, we have been composing pieces inspired by the sea.

Our Learning

This week, Year 4 had the opportunity to take part in a drumming workshop. Some children then returned to school to perform for parents as part of the Soiree. Well done to all involved!

In DT lessons, we have continued our textiles unit by designing and making our own money containers.

In English, we edited the Norse stories that we have been working on.

In Maths, we continue to learn about how to calculate using decimals in contexts involving money. We have also been preparing for the Multiplication Times Tables Check by completing a mock test. More information about the MTC can be found on Seesaw.

After half term, we will complete our statutory Multiplication Tables Check online. It would be helpful for children to continue to practise for this by completing 'Sound check' on TTRS over the holiday.

In English, we will begin a new unit inspired by a picture book, 'The Whale' by Ethan and Vita Murrow.



In Geography, we will be learning about the world's oceans.



Year 5 Peek at the Week

21st May 2026

Important Dates / Reminders

22nd May: Inset Day

25th May–29th May: Half Term

23rd June: Burnham Grammar School Trip

30th June: Fire Service Visit

Our Learning

This week, we started our History unit about Isambard Kingdom Brunel. We will look at the Great Western Railway and changes over time.

In English, we finished reading the shared text of Oliver Twist together and discussed the main events and characters in the story.

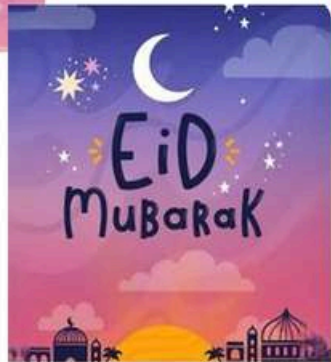
In PSHRE, after half term, we will be completing our Changing Me unit in which we will be looking at transitions

After half term, we will kick off Summer 2 with our Geography unit: The UK. Here, we will travel across England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland to explore our United Kingdoms.

In maths, we will start our new topic of negative numbers.

In English, we will be starting our non-fiction unit on balanced arguments. We will look at the different features of arguments and explore the terms 'for' or 'against'. We will then work on our skills in order to write our own!

Happy Half Term and Eid Mubarak



Child of the week

5Maple: **Fajar** 5Dawe: **Khuzaimah** 5Ofili: **Lucas**

Word of the Week: **rhythm**

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

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Occupations



Peek of the Week

The Orchard
Week of 18.05.26



Important Dates

Berries Class Community visits

Every Monday morning—please remember £2 for the café!

Apples class TVAP:

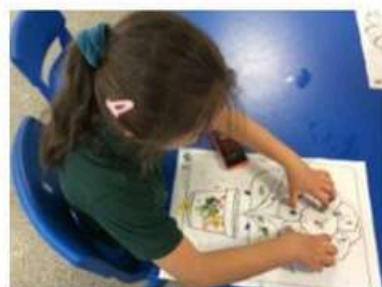
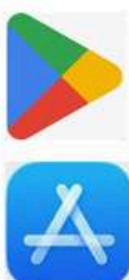
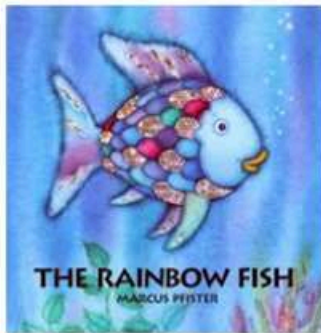
Every Wednesday

This term we have really enjoyed learning about occupations. We've explored what it's like to be doctors, dentists, builders, police officers and firefighters! For our last week each class have been learning about different occupations. Apples and Plums have been zookeepers. Pears have been musicians. Cherries and Berries have been chefs. Next term our topic is Wonderful Water and we will be reading Rainbow Fish.

This week in Maths we have been continuing our work navigating sensory circuits and following instructions on the human train to practise our preposition work. We have also been developing our counting and addition skills as we pretended to have bear picnic and doubled all of the food.

We are incredible proud of everyone who performed in the school soiree sing and drumming along to 'We will rock you'! Amazing work!

We hope you all have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you all after the break.



Stars of the week



Plum class: Pasha for coming into school so positively and clearly communicating his preferred 10-minute activity.



Cherry class: Lucas and Adeisen for a fantastic performance at the soiree!



Apple class: Levi for participating in his Literacy and Maths activities.



Pear class: Kyree for good listening on his Community trip





Thank you so much to everybody who took part in Walk to School Week 2026. We are absolutely thrilled that so many pupils and parents got involved by walking, scooting or wheeling to school throughout the week.

Lots of parents commented on the reduction in traffic around school, and it was wonderful to see the bike and scooter racks so full each morning. The children who joined the walking bus particularly enjoyed spending time with their friends before school and arriving ready for the day ahead.

Pupils have also enjoyed completing their activity booklets in class and earning stickers for their efforts. Thank you again for supporting this initiative and helping us promote healthier lifestyles, road safety and a cleaner environment for our whole school community.



Providing NHS services

Reception Year Health and Wellbeing Review

Slough School Nursing.

What? Tell us about your child's health and development.

Why? To get friendly advice and support.

When? Online questionnaire open from January to July.

How? Visit our website, scan the QR code below or use this link

[Slough Child and Family Wellbeing Reception Year Health Review – Fill in form](#)

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YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO THE

Official Reopening of the Pond at Lent Green Lane, Burnham

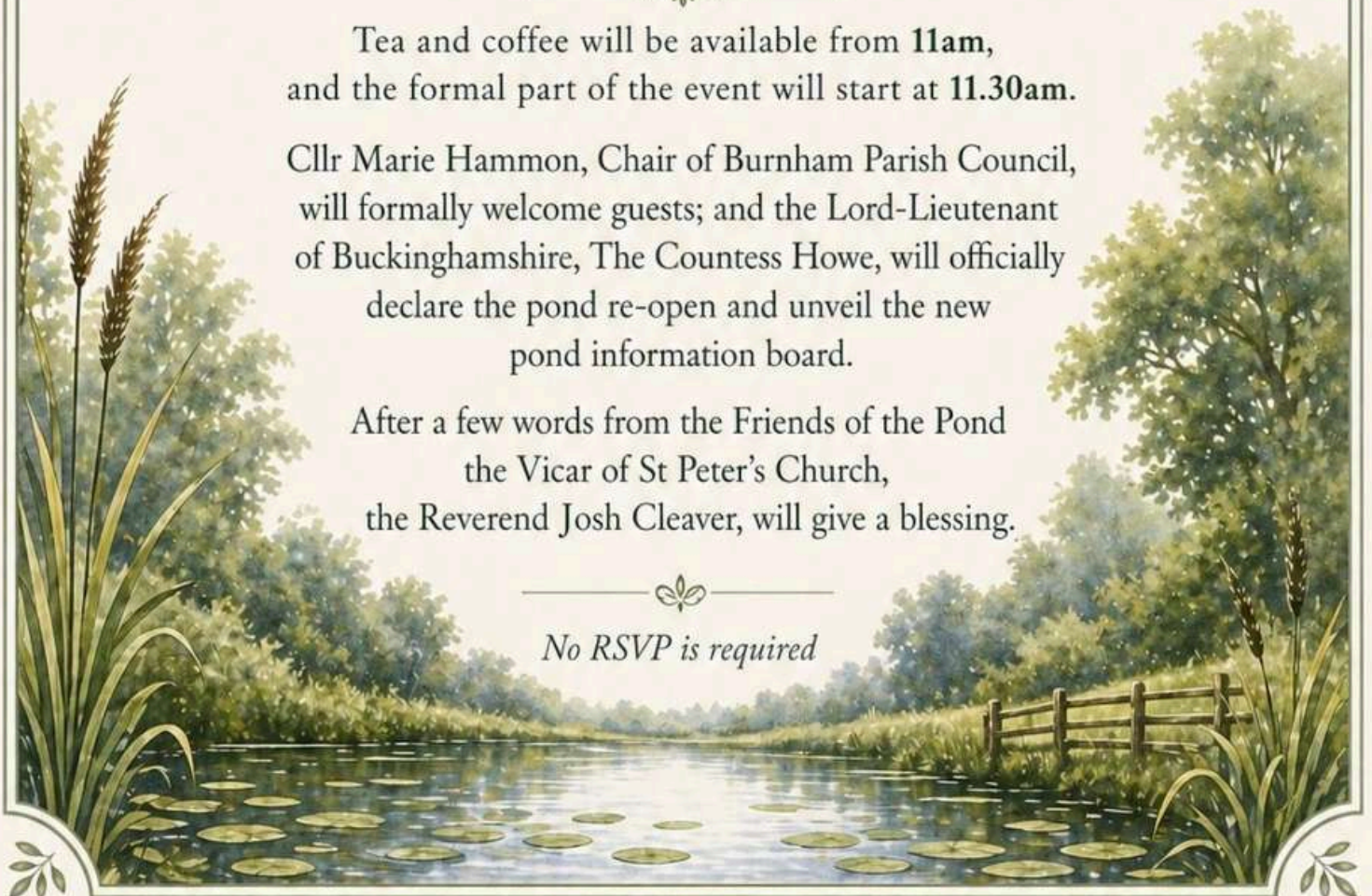
ON SATURDAY 13TH JUNE 2026

Tea and coffee will be available from **11am**,
and the formal part of the event will start at **11.30am**.

Cllr Marie Hammon, Chair of Burnham Parish Council,
will formally welcome guests; and the Lord-Lieutenant
of Buckinghamshire, The Countess Howe, will officially
declare the pond re-open and unveil the new
pond information board.

After a few words from the Friends of the Pond
the Vicar of St Peter's Church,
the Reverend Josh Cleaver, will give a blessing.

No RSVP is required

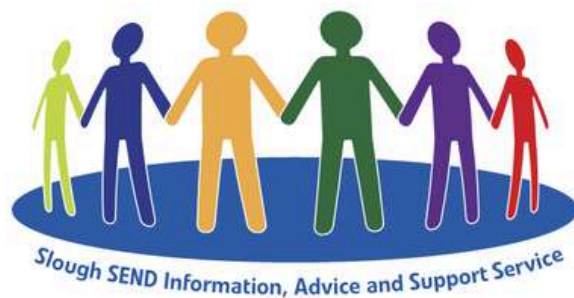




UNWANTED PRESENTS

TO PREPARE FOR OUR
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAYRE
WE ARE STARTING EARLY!

IF YOU HAVE ANY UNWANTED GIFTS FROM
ANY OCCASION AT ANY TIME DURING THE
YEAR PLEASE POP THEM IN TO THE MAIN
RECEPTION



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

Tuesday 9 June 2026 11am-12noon or 6-7pm.

This session will focus on **School Transition** including:

- Understanding what transitions are and when they happen.
- Recognising the impact of transitions on children and young people.
- Developing practical ideas and strategies to support with transitions.



To book, email:
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or via
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