



## Headteacher's News

Good afternoon all,

I hope that you have all had a good week. Please can I point out that in the upcoming events section we have an INSET day next Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May. Please do not send your child into school on this day. The half term holiday is the week after.

### **This week at Priory**

Our Year 6 pupils went off to see the Lion King, which is such a fantastic opportunity for them and one of the best theatrical shows available.

Year 2 have been continuing with their 'quizzes' this week and have done so very well in their maths quiz – so well done to them for that.

We are beginning to practice the skills needed for our sports day events which is very exciting. As the weather warms up please do remember to send your child in with a water bottle and a hat.

### **Parent governors**

We have recruited a new parent governor, Mr Jaipal Parmar has been successfully nominated. He has children in Year 5 and he is also the new chair for Priory Friends! We would like to extend huge thanks to him for his obvious commitment to the school.

### **Priory Soiree event**

Tickets are on sale for our Soiree event on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. Please do get your tickets to avoid disappointment. They are on sale on Parentpay for £7 a ticket.

### **Priory Friends**

Thank you to those who came to our Priory Friends Coffee morning. Please do look out for future events, as well as discussing opportunities for various fundraising events, they are also a great way to network with other parents. We also hope to engage local services to attend these sessions to provide parents with advice and support on specific issues.

### **School values**

You are likely to be aware of our values, as they are on the school logo and other various places, however, we would like to continue to promote them with all our staff community. Therefore, I will try to link various bits of news and topics in the newsletter to our values to keep them at the forefront of our minds. I will put words and phrases that link to our values in bold so that you can also make that link and keep them fresh in your minds.

Have a great weekend



## Upcoming events

Soiree Event - Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May

**INSET day- 26<sup>th</sup> May**

May Holiday - 29<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Back to School - 5<sup>th</sup> June

Yr 6 Production Rehearsals - Week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> June

Phonics Screening Week - 6<sup>th</sup> June

MTC period (3 weeks) from 6<sup>th</sup> June

Year 6 Dress Rehearsal, cast 1 - 19<sup>th</sup> June

Year 6 Performance to Parents - 20<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm

Year 6 Dress Rehearsal cast 2 - 21<sup>st</sup> June

Year 6 Performance to Parents- 22nd June at 7pm

Sports Week - 26<sup>th</sup> June

Year 6 Transition - 4-6<sup>th</sup> July

Year 6 Summer Fayre - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July

Year 6 Little Canada - 14-17<sup>th</sup> July

Rehearsals for Year 6 Graduation - 18/19<sup>th</sup> July

Reception Graduation - 19<sup>th</sup> July

Year 6 Graduation - 20<sup>th</sup> July

Year 6 Street Party - 20<sup>th</sup> July

Year 6 Guard of Honor - 21<sup>st</sup> July

End of Term- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

Priory School Jubilee - we are going to celebrate the school's opening on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September.

The school will have been open for 70 Years!



### Important Dates:

Inset Day Friday 26th May

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

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

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### Leaflets and Letters

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

- Parenting Special Children Slough Community Support Group
- Heathrow Bowl May 1/2 Term
- Slough Hub Activities



### Sign of the Week

Mental Health Week

[https://youtu.be/6o1abvhn\\_qY](https://youtu.be/6o1abvhn_qY)



### Peek at the Week

Please follow link for this week's

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

## A Musical Soiree

On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May we are looking forward to a wonderful evening of music at school, celebrating the talents of Priory students, staff, parents and alumni. The Priory Choir will perform, and all children in years 4 and 5 will have an amazing workshop during the day, with an invitation to return to perform with their Creative Partners as part of this special event in the evening.

Please put the date in your diary, if your child is involved a letter with further details has been emailed to you, please respond to the form and the tickets are available on parentpay.



## New Extended Care Provision



Just a reminder that the new Extended Care provision is now in operation. The company is called In-to-Care, if you want further information please [Click Here](#)

## Weekly attendance percentages: 9th–12th May 2023

Whole school - 94%

Year 1 - 94%

Year 2 - 92%

Year 3 - 94%

Year 4 - 95%

Year 5 - 95%

Year 6 - 98%

Congratulations to **Classes 6Anning and 4Redgave** with 100% the highest attendance this week!

*Congratulations!*



## Year 6 Lion King

### A Roar-some Show

On Wednesday, Year 6 had the fantastic opportunity to visit The Lyceum Theatre and watch The Lion King musical. This was especially amazing this year as the children will be performing the show themselves in June! The children had a wonderful time and some even became junior theatre critics. Please see below reviews of the performance!



## THE LION KING REVIEW



Just this week, Year 6 went to see The Lion King and this is what we thought:

### Plot:

The story is about a young lion cub who goes through a series of challenges to discover his destiny.

### Our Review:

The second the production started, the lights went out and unexpected surprises (such as puppets and costumed actors) cut through the crowd and waltzed onto the stage.

From the happiness of *Hakuna Matata* to the sorrow of *Shadowland*, every song was amazingly sung and portrayed the mood and emotion perfectly. The songs, colours and animals celebrated the beauty of African culture.

### Our Recommendation:

We would recommend that everyone watch the show as the experience will blow you off your feet! We hope that you find it a 5 star production just like we did!

By Evie, Saiuri and Amber





## A ROUND OF A-PAWS FOR THE LION KING



On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May, Year 6 went to the Lyceum Theatre in London to see The Lion King musical. After a coach ride that seemed to last forever, we finally took our seats in the gargantuan auditorium. We had the best possible view as our year group were seated in The Royal Circle! 25 minutes later, lights! Camera! Action! The show had begun.

The play is about a young lion cub – Simba – who faces many challenges before becoming King of the Pride Lands. It is filled with an array of amazing puppetry; references to many aspects of African culture; and beautiful percussion. The lighting and stage effects were amazing – bringing the scene to life before our eyes.

From the opening number (A Circle of Life) to the final fight, we couldn't take our eyes off of the stage. We particularly loved the costumes and masks that managed to capture the human expression as well as the behaviour of the animals.

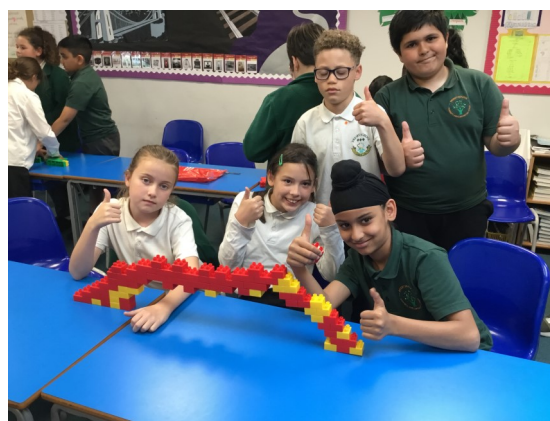
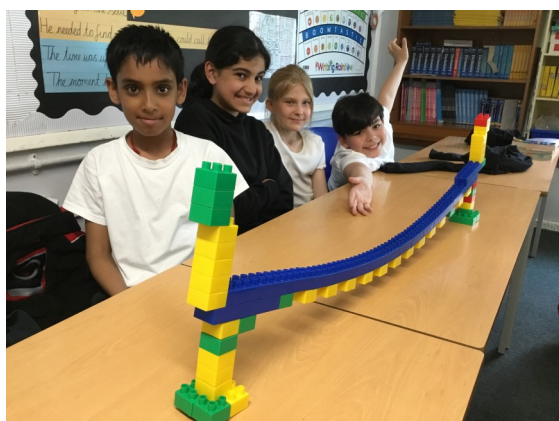
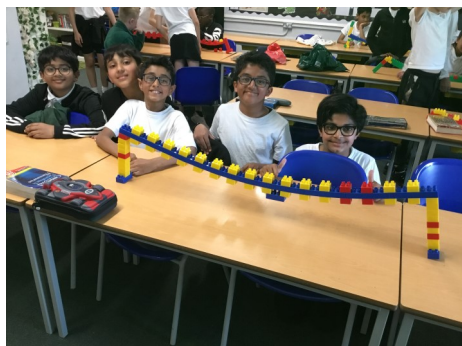
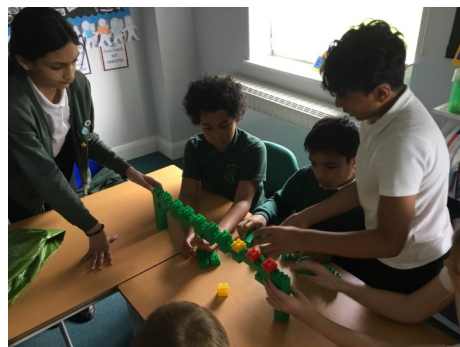
We rate this 5 out of 5 and, if you plan on seeing this musical, "*Be Prepared*" for a good time!

By Sikandar, Jayden and Mustafa



## Year 5–Brunel Bridges Workshop

Year 5 had the opportunity this week to work with Richard from the Maidenhead Heritage Centre, who was able to spark curiosity and determination within each of them! By applying their knowledge of Brunel, and through collaboration, they were determined to build the longest bridge using Duplo bricks. The winners constructed a bridge that was 1m 6cm long.







## Reception–Oral Health Workshop

On Tuesday, the Reception children participated in a 'Happy, Healthy Early Years' oral health workshop run by Slough Healthy Smiles team. During the session, the children were supervised and guided through 'dry brushing' their teeth. All the children had a lot of fun learning how to brush their teeth and singing songs.







## Summer Reading Challenge 2023 – Ready, Set, Read!



The Reading Agency has teamed up with the Youth Sport Trust for a challenge celebrating play and participation. This year's theme will encourage children to engage in reading, games and sport and keep their minds and bodies active over the summer.

Children aged 4 and over can complete the challenge by enjoying six books over the summer, collecting stickers and rewards along the way. Those that finish will be awarded a medal and certificate to mark their achievement. The challenge presents reading as a fun and enjoyable activity and encourages children to become lifelong book lovers. It helps prevent the trend for reading skills to dip over the summer holidays, and enhances and supports the school's reading initiatives. The fun rewards motivate the children to progress through the challenge and it is inclusive to children of all abilities as they can choose any library books that appeal to them to count towards the challenge.

Slough Libraries will be launching the challenge on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July. It's free to take part - children just need to be library members. It's quick and easy to join.

The challenge will end on 16<sup>th</sup> September, so children have plenty of time to complete.

The resource pack is on our website.



## Priory Friends News



### Priory Friends on Facebook

[www.facebook.com/prioryfriends](http://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!

Please find attached a £5 off voucher when spending £35.00 or more online only on our website:

**SCHOOL DAYS DIRECT**  
The Uniform Specialist

**Gift Voucher**

**£5.00 OFF YOUR NEXT ONLINE ORDER**  
WHEN YOU SPEND OVER £35.00

**ONLINE CODE: 5SDD23**

This voucher can only be used online at [www.schooldaysdirect.co.uk](http://www.schooldaysdirect.co.uk). Offer is valid until 31st July 2023 and may only be used once. Offer can only be used on a transaction of over £35.00.

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