

Priory School News



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Headteacher's News



Good afternoon all,

General news

It has been a busy week we have been raising awareness of bullying, the Young Shakespeare company came to deliver the play – Macbeth to our Year 6s. It was very good, they exposed year 6 to the Shakespearean language but paused the play at points to narrate the story and help their understanding. The acting was phenomenal! I am also so jealous of year 5 going to the Imperial War Museum to sleep on a ship for a night as part of their World War 2 unit of work. I am sure they will have a wonderful time.

Road safety week

It is road safety week and with all the recent issues with parking it could not be more pertinent!

The theme of Road Safety Week 2022 is SAFE ROADS FOR ALL. Because every life on our roads matters, and every death and injury is preventable.

When you consider that every death and injury is preventable, it does make it seem more important that we take a moment to consider how we park near the school. Preventing pedestrian's access to the pavement or blocking their view of the road increases the risk of a child being hit by a car.

Please join us this week in educating our children (and ourselves).

Road safety is a great subject to engage children and young people with. Even the youngest children know something about road safety and it is a vitally important subject because everyone uses roads, and road danger affects everyone.

- Road crashes are the leading cause of death for children and young people worldwide

- More than six children are killed or seriously injured on roads every day in the UK
- Road crashes have a devastating effect on families and communities
- Pollution from traffic causes respiratory illnesses and other diseases
- Active travel such as walking and cycling is good for the nation's health and good for the planet

Road crashes are a major cause of death and injury among the young, with the risk rising as children reach secondary school age and have more independence. Danger from traffic is also a big factor in whether children and young people are able to walk and cycle to school, go to the park or to see friends, and therefore affects their ability to be healthy and socially active.



Across the week you can MOVE, THINK, WATCH, TEACH, SAVE lives and SUPPORT people affected by road crashes, all while imagining a FUTURE where no one is killed or injured on a road.

Help students understand why we need SAFE ROADS FOR ALL and draw attention to key areas of road safety.

Parent forum

The minutes are on the websites.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hannah Foster

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Sports News



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

Some of our Year 5 students have been taking part in a 6-week healthy minds project, developing relaxation and positive thinking techniques. Year 4s 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 displayed good resistance throughout.



Year 3&4 boys and girls double header Berkshire League

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, but were out smarted by their opponents on this occasion.



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)



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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 (team work, respect, enjoyment, discipline, determination and sportsmanship). The students have been taking part in theory and practical lessons during their 6 week programme.



Sport England SSSN, Basketball coaching with Reading Rockets

On Friday 14 lucky students started a Sport England programme working with professional sports coaches from a number of organisations. For the first three weeks, our students are very lucky to be working with Steff from Reading Rockets.



SSSN Year 6 Fencing

A great experience for a group of fabulous Year 6 students as they travelled over to Singh Sabha sports Centre for the Slough School Sport Festival. Our students had the best afternoon, working with the professional coaches from Little Musketeers and the sports leaders from Wexham School.

Well done for all involved for representing the school so well.

Year 5&6 Girl's Football friendly.

A cold but enjoyable game against Lynch Hill, witnessed Priory girls' team having four girls play their first ever school game. The match witnessed good skills from both teams. With Lynch Hill winning 2-1 a great display from all involved.





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Important Dates

Parent Evening bookings close at 5pm Monday 21st November

Year 3 Stone Age day Wednesday 23rd 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

Weekly attendance percentages: 7th – 11th November 2022

Year 1 - 91%

Year 2 - 90%

Year 3 - 90%

Year 4 - 94%

Year 5 - 93%

Year 6 - 94%

Whole school - 91%

Congratulations to **4Redgrave** with **99%** the highest attendance this week!

Congratulations!

Marvellous Macbeth!

On Tuesday, Year 6 had the opportunity to watch a fantastic performance of Shakespeare's play, Macbeth, which was performed by the Young Shakespeare Company. The children were able to take part by providing sound effects, taking on some of the acting roles and by all taking part in a slow-motion staged battle in the finale to the story! The children will be using this experience to inspire their writing in English lessons. We will publish some of their work on the Year 6 Class pages of the school website in the coming weeks.





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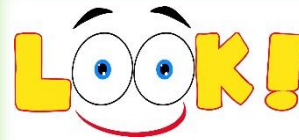
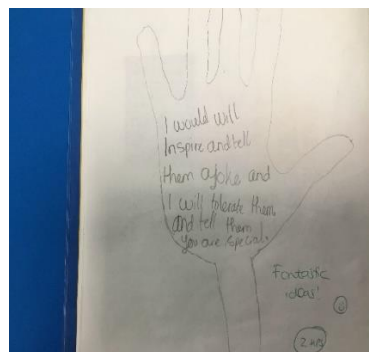
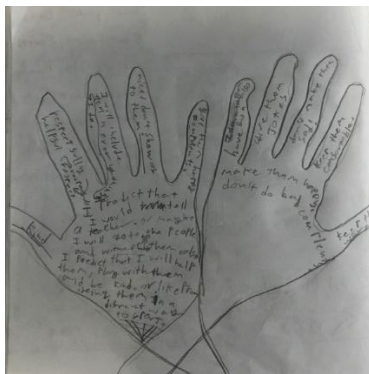
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Year 3 Anti-bullying week

Year 3 have enjoyed taking part in various activities during this important week. They engaged in learning the song "Calling out" and used their oracy skills to have a debate discussing whether certain situations would be classed as bullying or not. The children were able to justify their decisions, which gave them a better understanding about bullying.

During PSHRE, the children had to decide how they would help a friend who was a victim of bullying. They thought about ways to cheer their friend up and how to prevent future bullying issues. Please look at their responses.

"I have liked this week when we learnt about bullying. We want to make sure our friends are not sad". Year 3 pupil's opinion



Leaflets and Letters

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

Community Support Group Slough

Twitter – what parents need to know



Save the date!

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



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Priory Friends on Facebook

www.facebook.com/prioryfriends



We would desperately like to encourage new members. We are looking to the future. If we do not 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.



School logo badges

School Logo – As stated in our School Uniform Policy, in order to keep the cost of school uniforms as low as possible for parents and carers, we are now able to offer iron-on logo badges at a cost of £1.65 each. School uniform with printed logos will still be available to purchase at School Days Direct if you prefer. If you would like to purchase an iron-on badge these are available from the School Office, please bring in the correct money.