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PRIORY SCHOOL NEWS

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Headteacher's News

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we prepare to close for the Easter holidays, I want to take a moment to reflect on the many joyful and enriching moments we've shared this term.

This term has truly embodied our school values of hope, opportunity, trust, and curiosity—with pupils showing kindness, courage, and determination across every area of school life.

Spring Term Highlights

- Our Significant Achievement Assembly celebrated one child per class for their contributions, alongside awards for 100% attendance—bronze for this term and silver for those achieving it across two terms. An amazing achievement!
- Our talented Reception pupils wowed us all with their incredible Easter Bonnet Parade—full of colour, creativity, and confidence. What a joy to see!
- In Year 2, pupils proudly performed their learning to families in a fantastic assembly based on The Queen's Hat. Their immersive journey into London landmarks and castles sparked brilliant writing and curiosity across the curriculum.
- From Learning Together Week and World Book Day, to Science Week, National Storytelling Week, and the Travelling Book Fair, pupils had a wealth of opportunities to explore, learn, and share.
- Our Year 3 and 4 production of Finding Nemo was a true showstopper—bursting with confidence, teamwork, and joy. Guests from across the local community were in awe of what our children can achieve.
- We celebrated a number of cultural and religious festivals including Chinese New Year, Holi, Eid—and now look ahead to Easter and Vaisakhi. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making these celebrations so meaningful.
- And we wrapped up the term with Priory's Got Talent, where our pupils dazzled us with their performances—and we were honoured to be joined by Slough MP Tan Dhesi for the occasion.

Growing Together

We continue to be proud of our inclusive practice, welcoming visitors from schools across the local area to see how we meet every child's needs. And thanks to your support, we raised over £1,100 at our Book Fair—new stories will be heading to our library very soon!

Thank You

To our families: thank you for your support, enthusiasm, and partnership.

To our pupils: thank you for your hard work and the kindness and courage you show each day.

To our staff: thank you for everything you do to make Priory School such a special place to learn and grow.

Wishing you all a peaceful break and a joyful Easter or Vaisakhi if you are celebrating.

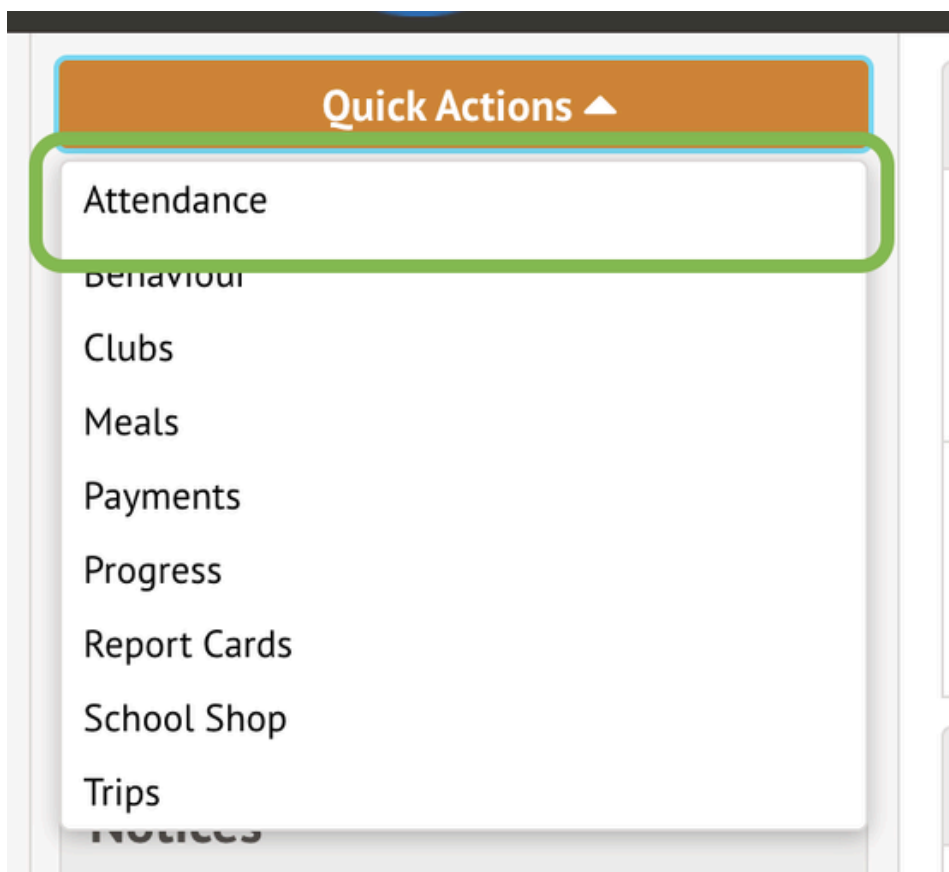
A reminder that Tuesday 22nd April is an INSET day, and we look forward to welcoming pupils back on Wednesday 23rd April.

Nursery children start back on Friday 25th of April.

Reporting Absence

Please do not use Studybugs to report absence

Instead please report it on Arbor. You can do this on the Parent Portal by going to Quick Actions and Attendance



On the Arbor App, this can be done via the menu and then going to Attendance.

Attendance

Weekly attendance percentages - W/C 31st March

Whole School - 93.0%

Year 1 - 83.3%

Year 2 - 80.5%

Year 3 - 85.1%

Year 4 - 86.5%

Year 5 - 81.1%

Year 6 - 84.4%

Congratulations to 4Turing with 99% 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:

Sorry no SOTW this week

Peek at the Week

Nursery 4th April 2025



Happy Easter to all our nursery families. We look forward to welcoming you back to class on Friday 25th April.



These websites are excellent for supporting learning in the Early Years:

Hungry Little Minds:

<https://www.nhs.uk/start-for-life/toddler/learning-to-talk/learning-conversations-and-telling-stories-3-to-5-years/>

BBC Tiny, Happy People

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/bilingual>

We have been completing lots of Easter themed activities in nursery this week including taking part in our Easter Egg Hunt.



Our Learning

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

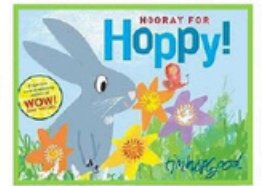


With the clocks having changed this week, many of our children have been more tired. We have been talking about the importance of sleep and about how we can help ourselves to go to sleep. Here are some ideas to help your child wind down at the end of the day.

[Calming Activities for Kids & Preschoolers - BBC Tiny Happy People](#)

Communication & Language Development

We have been reading the story of Hoppy the rabbit who wakes up after his winter sleep. He uses each of his 5 senses to explore Springtime. We have been talking about all the signs of Spring around us.



Physical Development

We have been developing our fine motor skills by wrapping wool around oval shapes to make our Easter chicks.



Priory Spring term Significant Achievement awards went to :

Yusuf Pal and Roman Khan



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

<https://supersimple.com/song/hot-cross-buns/>

Hot Cross Buns



Contact us: nursery@prioryschool.com

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Peek at the Week–Reception

04.04.2025

What an exciting week! On Tuesday, we attended a Significant Achievement Assembly, where Noah M and Ezmae each received a book! Some children were also awarded attendance certificates, which will be coming home today.

On Wednesday we had the most fantastic time at the school Easter egg hunt! We all gathered on the big field and had lots of fun searching for eggs. It was lovely to see some of the older children helping Reception hunt for eggs.

Thursday was our Spring Bonnet Parade! The children showcased their artistic talents when creating the beautiful hats, and absolutely loved parading round the school. Thank you to everyone who came along and joined us in the Reception garden afterwards, it was an egg-cellent afternoon!



On Friday, we participated in Priory's Got Talent! We opened the show by performing "I Love Red" on stage for the whole school and our 3 distinguished judges. Rupert and Paddington class loved showing off their singing and dancing.

Reception song of the week:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/articles/z6m9382>

Well done to all our Reception children for a wonderful half term! We hope you all enjoy a well deserved break!



Contact us: reception@prioryschool.com

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Peek at the Week

Year 1 – 4th April 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: Number bonds to 20.
- Please log on to numbots



The year 1 team would like to say a massive well done to all of the children in year 1 for their hard work this term. We look forward to seeing everyone when we arrive back after the Easter Holidays!

The Year 1 garden is very nearly finished! It has had a massive makeover this week and has been transformed into a fun and colourful space.



Our Learning

This week:

In math this week, we finished our unit on place value within 50. The children spent time practicing finding one more and one less of a number using different math resources. We also introduced the children to counting in 10's.

In English this week, we recapped all of the speedy sounds and tricky words we have learnt this term. The children have become really efficient in remember the different sounds for each grapheme and are becoming more confident in reading words with split digraphs.

In afternoon sessions this week, we spent time making Easter cards during our DT unit. The children learnt how to use a split pin and lever to make an element of their card move. They really enjoyed decorating their cards with lots of sparkly sequins, feathers and stickers! On Thursday, we then spent time evaluating the Easter cards and we wrote sentences about what we liked, disliked and what we would improve next time.



Star of the week

1Donaldson: Hayden

1Jeffers: King



Words of the Week: oh their laugh once many

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Peek at the Week

Year 2 – 4th April 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

04.04.25 - Last day of Spring term–1:30pm finish

07.04.25-21.04.25 Easter Holidays

22.04.25 INSET Day

05.05.25 Bank Holiday

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.

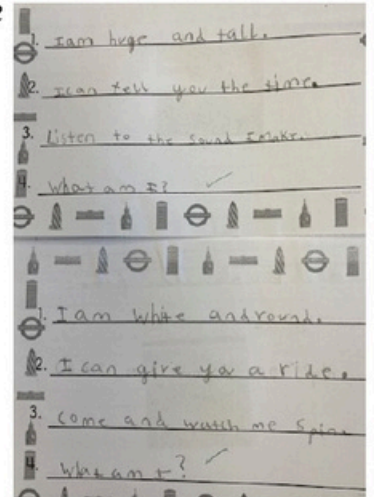
Spellings are sent home on Fridays with a spelling quiz the following Friday. Please practice writing these spellings daily if possible. Please also login in to NumBots and Times Table Rockstars to practise both number bonds and times tables.

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



Our Learning

This week in English, we have had fun writing riddles for London Landmarks for our friends to guess which landmark we were describing. We talked about using different sentence types in our riddles: statements, commands and questions.



In maths, we have been revising our addition and subtraction methods.

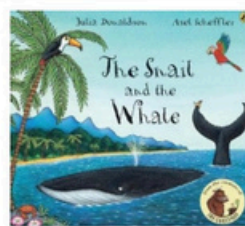


We have looked at the Christian celebration of Easter in RE and how to stay safe around medicines in PSHRE. We chose some of the key messages we learnt to include in our own medicine safety posters.

In the Year 2 garden, we enjoyed exploring the Easter sensory tray and drew patterned Easter eggs with chalk on the playground. We also liked writing some of our spellings words in the foam outside and sorting 3D shapes according to their properties.



Next term, we are going to be basing our writing on: The Snail and the Whale, by Julia Donaldson. In maths, we are going to look at division.



Child of the Week

2Newton: Sirat

2Franklin: Sophia





Peek at the Week

Year 3– 4th April 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

04.04.24 Last day 1:30pm finish

07.04.25-21.04.25 Easter Holidays

22.04.25 INSET Day

05.05.25 Bank Holiday

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://trockstars.com/>

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

Our Learning

This week, we have had lots of fun at school!

On Wednesday, we all got the opportunity to take part in Priory's Annual Easter Egg Hunt on the school field.

On Friday, we enjoyed taking part in or watching the Talent Show. Year 3 acts showcased some amazing singing, a Rock Band, tap dancing and hula hooping!

After the Easter holidays, we will begin a topic inspired by the Ancient Greeks, we will learn about plants in Science and make pop-up books in DT. We have lots to look forward to!

Over the holidays, please try to keep up with times tables rockstars - children should aim for 15 minutes a day.

Happy Holidays!

3 Nightingale
investigating
the properties
of light!



Word of the Week: **decide**

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 4th April 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

Our Learning

This week in English, the children have been really enjoying reading the class reader, 'The child at the back of the class' and they have been practising writing in a formal style to write a letter to the government.

In Maths, we have continued to learn about the concept of mixed numbers and improper fractions which the children have found challenging. We are using diagrams to help the children understand the concept.

After the holidays in English, the children are going to be looking at Norse Mythology. At first, we will be looking at Arthur and the Golden Rope. The children will be creating a role on the wall and we will be focusing on the grammar objectives for Year 4.

In Maths, the children are going to be continuing to look at fractions and we will be focusing on adding and subtracting fractions.

In the afternoons in geography, we will continue to think about oceans and seas. Our focus will be on features of a sea bed and then we will study Ocean Pollution and how we can stop the detrimental impact it has on the environment.



No child of the week due to the talent show. Have a lovely Easter break and thank you for your ongoing support.

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

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Year 5 Peek at the Week

4th April 2025

Important Dates / Reminders

School returns – 23rd April

Bank Holiday–5th May

Year 6 SATS–12th May

Soiree–21st May

Half term– 26th May–30th May

Our Learning

This week, we learnt about the Christian festival of Easter. We partook in a Hot Cross Bun tasting session and also enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt!

In maths, we finished our unit on statistics and consolidated our learning across the year so far.

In English, we continued to explore 1001 Arabian Nights and created our own version of a traditional tale that could become another chapter in 1001 Arabian Nights.

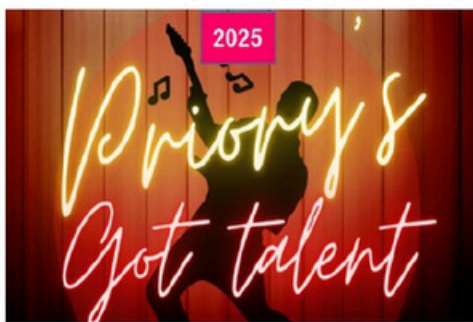
This term in PSHRE, we have focused on how to keep our bodies and minds healthy. Next half term we will focus on developing Healthy Relationships.

After the Easter break, we will begin our new topic: Highways and Byways. We will kick off this unit by focusing on History: Crime and Punishment.

In maths, after half term we will start our new topic, shape, with a focus on angles.

In English, we will begin our unit which focuses on the narrative poem The Highwayman. Some of us will read the adapted version of this, The Highway Rat. Here, we will develop our own versions of this poem and write our very own narrative poems.

We ended this term with the Easter Egg Hunt and Priory's Got Talent.



Have a lovely holiday!

Word of the Week: **learn 10 statutory spelling words**

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 4th April 2025

Important Dates /Reminders

04.04.25– Priory's Got Talent

04.04.25– End of Term

Thursdays: Wear the correct PE uniform to school.

Thursdays: Spelling quiz. Homework due.

- Spellings x1
- Times tables practice on TTRS
- Read x3 weekly

Our Learning

This week, in DT, we started our new topic on bridges! We explored bridges around the world (including some that move!) and looked at how the different parts of a bridge work together to keep it stable.

In English, we extended the narrative of the story by writing our own fiction piece. We then continued to read *The Last Wild* as a class reader.

In maths, we focussed on the last few topics on reflection, statistics and scaling.

Significant Achievement Winners:



Next week, in DT, we will continue learning about the different parts of bridges. Then we will design and build our own bridges, combining the skills that we have learnt.

In English, we will be focussing on Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation revision in preparation for the SATs.

In maths, we will be focussing on maths revision in preparation for the SATs.

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. I will understand that some people can be exploited and made to do things that are against the law. I will know why some people join gangs and the risks this involves. I understand what it means to be emotionally well and can explore people's attitudes towards mental health/illness.



Significant Achievement Winners:

6 Attenborough: Sultan **6 Anning:** Inaya **6 Darwin:** Maiza

Word of the Week: programme

Follow this link to find more super daily activities: www.morningchallenge.co.uk/

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Peek of the Week

The Orchard
04.04.25

Important Dates/ information

Monday- Apples Class
Community Trips

Wednesday- Cherries Class
TVAP

Thursday- Pears Class
Swimming

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

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

Makaton sign of the week:
Happy Easter



Peek of the Week from the Orchard

This week:

In English, we have been following instructions to make an Easter card and an Easter Bonnet.



In Maths, we have continued to explore different measurements- tall, short and long by measuring objects with cubes. We have also continued working on one to one correspondence, counting out carrots for the Easter Bunny.



A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO PLUMS CLASS FOR THEIR AMAZING PERFORMANCE!



The children had lots of fun during the Easter Egg Hunt



Stars of the week

Plums: The Whole class for their amazing performance in Priory's Got Talent!

Cherries: Levi for working well during Maths and listening to instructions

Apples: Henderson for working hard during phonics

Pears: The whole class for participating in the Easter Egg hunt!



PE News

Curling Trip Summary for Year 5 Students

This week our Year 5 children had the exciting opportunity to try curling! Curling is a fun and unique sport played, where teams take turns sliding large stones towards a target. Here's a quick summary of what we did and learned:

1. **Introduction to Curling:** We started with a short lesson to learn the basics of curling. Our instructor explained how the game works, the rules, and the equipment. We learned that curling stones are made of granite and that the goal is to slide them as close as possible to a target.
2. **Learning the Techniques:** We practiced sliding the stones along the floor, trying to make them stop near the target. Some of us also tried sweeping, which is when players use brushes to help guide the stone's path. It was harder than it looked!
3. **Teamwork:** Curling is all about working together as a team. We learned to communicate and support each other. The best teams were those who talked to each other and worked together to get their stones as close to the centre of the target as possible.
4. **Competition:** After some practice, we had a tournament which included 11 primary schools. Everyone tried their best to aim for the target and score points. It was exciting to see how much we improved in just one session!
5. **Wrap-Up:** At the end of the trip, we gathered to talk about what we enjoyed most. Many of us said we liked how much fun it was to try something new and work as a team. We also learned about sportsmanship and the importance of patience and practice.

Overall, our curling trip was a fantastic experience and the Priory School team came 4th place out of 11 schools, we are very proud to have accomplished 4th place and the children's sportsmanship throughout the tournament was amazing. It gave us a chance to try a new sport, learn about teamwork, and most importantly, have fun!



Priory's Got Talent Winners

Well done to all the contestants who took part in this year's Priory's Got Talent. Featured were acts of singing, dancing, laughing and much more. Our judges decided amongst themselves on the winners and runners-up.

In 3rd place was Anisia, Sophia, Lubainah, Hoorain and Anaya

In 2nd place was Plums Choir

In 1st place was Vidhul and Bhavay

Congratulations to these winners!

Book and Biscuit After School Club

Enjoying the lovely sunshine at the 'Books and biscuit' after school club.



Helping Children with Unclear Speech

Priory School
Wednesday 30th
April
9:15-10:45am

Does your child struggle to use clear speech sounds?
Is it sometimes hard to understand what they are saying?

The Slough Speech and Language Therapy Team will go through how speech sounds typically develop, the difficulties children can face, and how to help your child develop clear speech sounds.

This will be a Group Online Workshop
A SENDCo will be available at the end of the session
to answer any of your questions
Tea and Coffee will be available

FREE
SESSIONS

Spring into reading at Slough Libraries

Seasonal school holiday fun for families
at Slough Libraries. All activities are free.

Beautiful Butterflies

A colourful, creative activity for children age 4+
The Curve, Monday 7 April 11am-12noon
Langley Library, Tuesday 15 April 11am-12noon

LEGO® drop-in

Thousands of bricks to choose from - what will you
build? For children age 5+
The Curve, every Tuesday 4-5pm from 1 April

Quacking creations

The library team will show you how to transform a
paper plate into a cute duck. Quack! Quack!
For children age 4+
The Curve, Monday 14 April 11am-12noon
Cippenham Library, Thursday 17 April 3-4pm

Chess for all

Community chess sessions for all ages
(adults and children). All abilities welcome.
Come and enjoy a match.
The Curve, every Saturday 11.30am-12.30pm

Bouncing bunny ears

Hop along to the library to decorate some bunny ears.
For children age 4+
Langley Library, Tuesday 8 April 11am-12noon
Britwell Library, Monday 14 April 3-4pm

Pop-up play

Family fun with board games
and puzzles for the little ones.
Cippenham Library,
Saturdays 5 and 12 April 11am-12noon

Snazzy Snails

Brigthen up the shells for our
snails with your own designs. For children age 4+.
Britwell Library, Monday 7 April 3-4pm
Cippenham Library, Thursday 10 April 3-4pm

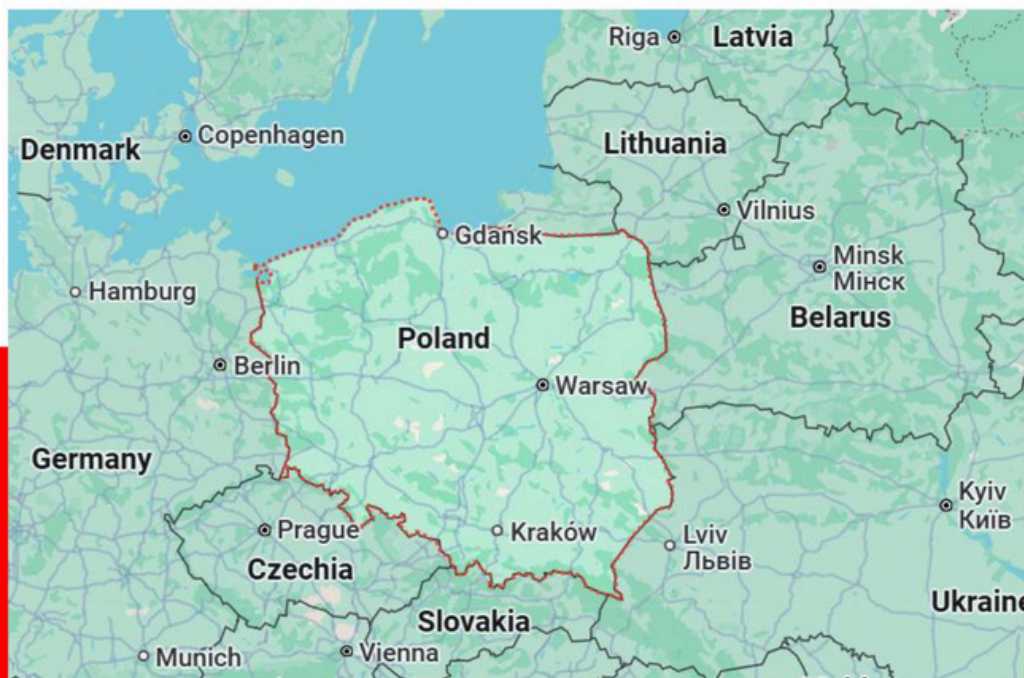
Browse our collections, borrow a bundle of
books and bring the magic of stories home with
you. Lots of new stock to choose
from. Library membership is
free and gives you access to
both print and digital books.
You can join online at
www.slough.gov.uk/libraries

Please note the age guidance for activities. Colouring will
be available for younger children. Parents/carers should
stay at the library during the activity.

Our regular story times are paused during the school holidays.

To keep up to date with
what's on in libraries visit:
www.slough.gov.uk/events

www.slough.gov.uk
Slough
Borough Council



My name is Tobiasz
and I am from
Warsaw in Poland
**Nazywam się
Tobiasz i pochodzę z
Warszawy w Polsce**

In Polish I can count to 10.
**Po polsku potrafię liczyć do
10.**

I like to play games.
Lubię grać w gry.

I like pierogi.
Lubię pierogi.



The Register Rejestr



Polish	English
Dzień dobry 	Good morning
Pani 	Madam
Pan 	Sir
Dzień dobry 	Good afternoon



Good morning song: <https://youtu.be/XvRhO25IA3g?feature=shared>

Colours Kolory



Colours: <https://youtu.be/r8-qs4BkyRU?feature=shared>

Lunch

Obiad



Który kolor?



Pomarańczowo,
dziękuję



Proszę o
zielone



Proszę,
żółty



Polish

English

proszę



please

dziękuję



thank you

Który kolor?



Which colour?

Niebieski,
dziękuję



Czerwony
dziękuję



April - Polish

Good morning
Dzień dobry



Thank you
Dziękuję



Yes
Tak



Hello
Cześć



Sorry
Przepraszam



Well done
Dobrze
zrobiony



Please
Proszę



Good afternoon
Dzień dobry



No
Nie



Goodbye
Do widzenia



Good morning song:

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



April - Polish

One
Jeden

Three
Trzy

Five
Pięć

Two
Dwa

Four
Cztery

Six
Sześć

Eight
Osiem

Ten
Dziesięć

Seven
Siedem

Nine
Dziewięć



Number song: <https://youtu.be/ENBbQ6wS6Qw?feature=shared>

Useful websites:



Facts

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/geography/count-ries/article/poland>

Travel guide

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

Links to songs

Tanczymy Labada: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zJUz6OIQLfY> The children have to go around in the circle together, joined by a different body part each time!

Polish alphabet song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BZslkaRVd9k>

The most famous Polish composer is probably Frederic Chopin, who wrote some beautiful piano music: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3H0SRv8QNwk>

Frere Jacques in Polish: <https://youtu.be/6BXFJ8zpLM8?feature=shared>



GEMS

ADHD & Autism Support Service
East Berkshire



Oral health support Virtual session Autism and ADHD

**Friday 16th May 2025
10am to 11:15am**

As part of National Smile month, GEMS would like to invite parents and carers to a virtual session to help support good oral health.

Criteria:

- Children who live in, or have a GP in, East Berkshire
- And are likely to have, are waiting for an assessment, or have been diagnosed with Autism and or ADHD.



email Gems.4health@nhs.net



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Dental
Services



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