



Priory Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Friday 23rd May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another half term completed!

It has been a great joy to see the children's progress this half term, and in particular we congratulate our Year 6 pupils on their hard work and determination as they reached SATs Week and gave their 'all' to the national tests. In Year 2 our pupils have also been showing their true colours in the optional SATs and Mr Mistry is rightly delighted with the outcomes.

Meanwhile in all our other classes, the children have kept working hard, challenging themselves on TTRockstars, NumBots, Spelling Shed, Accelerated Reader and expanding their knowledge and interests in the topic learning. Keep up the home learning this holiday using this link <https://prioryprimary.co.uk/parent-learning-zone/>

Thank you, Parents & Carers, for adjusting to our new start time at school. It means teachers can be thorough and consistent in the daily learning tasks that make a big difference to your child's attainment. I admit I get grumpy on the gate when children arrive late - it is putting them at a disadvantage in missing the start of school, and it disrupts everyone else who has arrived on time. PLEASE make sure you have arrived at the gate BEFORE 8.40am, so your child can be IN CLASS ON TIME.

School Uniform - smart children, smart behaviour, smart attitude to school!

Please check the uniform list - including the PE Kit - in this edition of the newsletter.

If you are putting your child in layers of clothing, they must be in uniform colours - white, blue or black / dark grey.

There should be NO LOGOs on clothes other than the school's rainbow logo.

School shoes must be a single dark colour black or grey, and not trainers other than for PE.

Thank you and have a restful half term holiday - we will see you again on Monday 2nd June.

Kind regards,
Mrs Fraser

Attendance Cup

Week 2	Year 4 & 5
Week 3	Year 1
Week 4	Year 5
Week 5	Year 3



Punctuality Award Winners



Neil the Sloth is awarded to the class that has the best record for arriving on time each day

Week 2	Year 1 & 4
Week 3	Year 1, 3, 5 & 6
Week 4	Year 1
Week 5	Year 4

LATENESS IS RUDE AND CAUSES:

- *Disruption in the office
- *Disruption in the classroom
- *Disruption for the teacher and other children

IT ALSO:

- *Impacts your child's learning
- *And it is very disrespectful to staff, other parents and children



Early is **ON TIME**
On time is **LATE**
Late is **UNACCEPTABLE**



***The school day starts at 8.40 AM ***

The school day ends at 3.25 PM

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

School Penalty Notices

Regular and punctual attendance at school is the law, and it is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure their child/children is in school. If a child does not attend school and they do not have permission from the school for the absence, the parent or carer may be issued with a School Penalty Notice.

When is a School Penalty Notice issued?

A School Penalty Notice may be issued:

- when the pupil has taken holiday during term-time and the absence has not been authorised by the school
- following a Truancy Patrol when the school has recorded the absence of the pupil as unauthorised
- if a pupil is persistently late for school
- if a pupil's school attendance has been poor, and the parents/carers fail to attend or co-operate at pre-referral meetings

The Education Welfare Service will issue a School Penalty Notice if at least 5 school days (10 sessions) have been missed due to unauthorised absence during the last 12 school weeks.

Once a School Penalty Notice has been issued, there is no statutory right of appeal, although there are circumstances in which the Council may withdraw it.

How much is a School Penalty Notice?

A School Penalty Notice is £80 if paid within 21 days, rising to £160 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days.

Late or part payments will not be accepted. We do not send reminders. If you do not pay the School Penalty Notice you are likely to be prosecuted for the offence and could be fined up to £2,500.

How to pay a School Penalty Notice

School Penalty Notices are issued by the Borough Council on behalf of the school, and the penalty fines are paid to the council NOT the school

The quickest and easiest way to pay is online. You will need:

- your School Penalty Notice reference number (this is on the front of your School Penalty Notice)
- your credit or debit card

They do not accept cash, cheques, or postal orders.



Mon 26th May - Fri 30th May
HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Mon June 2nd
BACK TO SCHOOL
8.40 AM PROMPT

Tues 24th - School Council trip to the Tower of London (more information at a later date)

Thurs 26th - Booktastic Festival
Year 3/4

JUNE

Tues 3rd - Year 1 trip to Milton Keynes Museum

Weds 4th - Year 5/6 cricket team (Bedford Modern School)

Weds 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th
Year 6 Swimming

Thurs 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th
Years 1, 2 & 5 swimming

Fri 6th - Year 5 /6 Girl's Cricket Team (Bedford Modern)

Mon 9th - Year 5/6 Quadkids Athletics

Thurs 12th - Year 3 Natural History Museum Trip

Fri 13th - Year 1 Multi-Sport Festival (Westfield)

Tues 17th - Year 5/6 Girl's Football (Biddenham)

Mon 23rd - Sports Morning at Livingstone Primary School

JULY

Weds 2nd & 9th
Year 6 swimming

Thurs 3rd & 10th
Year 1, 2 & 5 swimming

Thurs 3rd - Reception trip to Shepreth Wildlife Park (More information at a later date)

Mon 7th - Weds 9th
Year 6 Germany Trip

Thurs 10th - STEM FAIR
Year 6 (Biddenham)

Fri 11th - Gulliver's Trip
Nursery

Tues 15th - Year 6 Leaver's show

Tues 22nd - year 6 trip to Brighton

Weds 23rd - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Thurs 24th July - Tues 2nd Sept
SUMMER HOLIDAY

Weds 3rd September
CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL
8.40 AM PROMPT

Priory Primary School – Required Uniform



**SCHOOL
UNIFORM**

**You can purchase
school uniforms
from Josens**

**Address:
25 Harpur Street
Bedford
MK40 1LA**

**You can also
purchase from their
online shop:**

**[www.josens-
schoolwear.co.uk](http://www.josens-schoolwear.co.uk)**

Winter Uniform

Grey or black skirt/trousers **(no sweatpants)**

Blue polo shirt

School sweatshirt or Cardigan

Dark shoes **(low heels, no trainers)**

White, black or grey socks/tights

Summer Uniform

Grey or black skirt/trousers/shorts **(no sweatpants)**

Or blue dress (striped or check)

School polo shirt

Dark shoes **(low heels, no trainers)**

School sweatshirt or cardigan

White, black or grey socks/tights

Hat for use during outside activities

No shirts/t-shirts with logos!

P.E. Uniform

Blue Priory Primary P.E. T-shirt or Plain white T-shirt **(no logos)**

Plain Black shorts or Plain Black Tracksuit bottoms **(no logos)**

School Jumper or Plain Black Jumper **(no logos)**

Black/dark Trainers and socks

