



# Priory News 2017

Dear Parents,

As December begins, we look forward to the many events taking place in school in the final days of this term.

There are many exciting events to look forward to, including our Christmas performances. The children are busy rehearsing in preparation for these at the moment, and we look forward to you joining us to enjoy these.

On the final afternoon of term, we will end with our Christingle assembly – it is always a wonderful occasion and a beautiful way to end the term. We will post photographs of this on our website for you all to enjoy.

The Autumn term ends on **Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> December.**

Spring Term starts on **Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> January.**

**Happy Christmas!**

## Thank-you for....

Your support on Children in Need Day.

Together, we raised £174.45 for the charity.

A very big well done to Ellen, Grace, Keira, Grace S and Kayleigh, who held cake sales during the week, raising an additional £110 for the charity.

## Diary Dates

Parents Do Day	6 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Lunch	12 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 3 / 4 Christmas Performance	13 <sup>th</sup> December
Year 5 / 6 Christmas Performance	14 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Jumper Day	15 <sup>th</sup> December
Parents' Coffee Morning	18 <sup>th</sup> December
Music Assembly	19 <sup>th</sup> December
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<b>End of Term</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup> December</b>
<b>Spring Term Starts</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> January</b>

## Proud to be Priory:

- CS6 and DR6's fantastic class assemblies.
- The enthusiasm and dedication shown by our children who volunteered to help at our Open Evening and the FOPJS Christmas Fair.
- Our Year 5 children – we were inundated with children applying to become a peer mediator, and were delighted to hear the lovely comments made about our children from the trainers.
- The high levels of Year 6 children completing the Bikeability training – well done!

## Christmas Performances

This year, Year 3/4 will be performing 'Christmas Has Started' and Year 5/6 will be performing 'The Night Before Christmas'.

The School Choir will be split into year groups and perform at their year group's performances only. Performances will be at the following times:

<u>Year 3/4:</u>
13 <sup>th</sup> December – 1.45pm and 6.30pm
<u>Year 5/6:</u>
14 <sup>th</sup> December – 1.45pm and 6.30pm

Information about ordering tickets was sent home last week – please make sure you have ordered!

All tickets will be sent home in the very near future. Remember to bring yours with you to the performance!

## **Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children**

Children are invited to wear their Christmas Jumper to school on **Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> December** for a 50p contribution to Save the Children.

## **Parents Do Day**

Don't forget it's Parents Do Day on the 6<sup>th</sup> December! Parents are invited to attend school, to be involved in making a Christmas decoration with their child/ren.

The timings are as follows:

9.30 – 10.30am: Year 5

11.15 – 12.15pm: Year 4

1.20 – 2.20pm: Year 3

2.20 – 3.20pm: Year 6

We very much hope you will be able to join us!  
The next Parents Do Day is planned for 16<sup>th</sup> March – please save the date!

## **Coffee Morning – 18<sup>th</sup> December**

We will be holding a festive coffee morning for parents on 18<sup>th</sup> December, between 9 and 10am.

Please drop-in to enjoy a mince pie and a drink, and be entertained with carols – sung to you by the children.

## **Number Link Boards**

Following the high level of interest by parents at our maths information evening, we are delighted to be able to offer these to families to purchase.

These are a fantastic way of helping children to practise their times tables, with some fun games to play to help. Details about purchasing these boards were sent home last week – please make sure you send your order back to get yours!

Want to know more about how to use them? Come along to the demonstration on 5<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm, in JC3's classroom, or ask your child's class teacher.



## **The BASE**

The BASE is open from 7.30am each morning for breakfast sessions.

We also have increased places in the evening sessions this term.

For more information about booking and fees, please visit the School website, or call in at the office.

All sessions can be booked online using the Gateway.

## **e-Safety**

Have you seen the Thinkuknow website? This site is a great place to find information, advice and support for parents about the risks children may face as they grow, and how to support them. It covers a broad range of online safety issues from nude selfies to what to do if you think your child is being groomed online. Find it at [www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents)

We hope the site will provide you with some of the information you need to help you keep your child safe online.

## **Do you.....?**

Have names in all your child's belongings – jumpers and coats included? We are always surprised by the number of coats that find their way to lost property, but have no names in them.

Please help us to help you locate belongings by putting your child's name in their belongings.

## **Music Assembly**

We are looking forward to our Music Assembly on the last day of this term. If your child is taking part in this assembly, you will receive a letter in the near future to tell you about this, and invite you to attend.

The assembly will start at a slightly later time on this morning – **at 10am.**