



Priory News 2016

Dear Parents,

The Cross Country Championships held in April were fantastic – we had over 900 children taking part in the event, which we held at Priory Park. A huge thank-you to everyone who helped us – we really appreciate the team effort in making the event so successful.

Year 4 returned from their Residential with some wonderful stories of their activities – they all looked like they had enjoyed their time tremendously! We really enjoyed hearing about the trip in KB4's class assembly.

Our Summer term has many events to look forward to – we have our Residential visit for year 6, a theme week about the the past 90 years (in recognition of the Queen's 90th birthday), and much more. Please check the diary dates to make sure you don't miss out.

**Don't forget, half-term ends on Thursday, 26th May.
Term re-starts on Monday, 6th June**

Second-Hand Uniform

As we near the end of our school year, please consider donating any unwanted uniform to our second-hand uniform stock, if it is still in good condition.

By recycling in this way, we can help others in our school community. Second-hand uniform can be purchased via the School Office – for a cost of £1.

Diary Dates

Y5 West Stow Trip	19 th May
FOPJS Movie Night	19 th May
Y4 Kwik Cricket Tournament	25 th May
Parents Do Day	25 th May
Y6 Mayan Afternoon	26 th May
Professional Day – School Closed	27 th May
Half-term	30 th May – 3 rd June
Y6 Residential	7 th – 10 th June
Y5 Quicksticks Hockey Tournament	7 th June
Y4 Bike Skills	8 th June
Theme Week	13 th – 17 th June
Y3 Storysharing with Y2	14 th June
Athletics School Games	14 th June
Girls Kwik Cricket	16 th June
Summer Fete	24 th June
Longsands Primary Maths Challenge	1 st July
Y5 Maths Challenge Final	4 th July
New Classes Morning	5 th July
Longsands Transition Days	5 th / 6 th July
New Parents Evening	6 th July
Sports Day	12 th July
Olympics Lunch	13 th July
Y3 Recorder Concert	13 th July
Reserve Sports Day	14 th July
Y3, Y4 & Y5 Disco	14 th July
Y6 Leavers' Disco	14 th July
Y6 Leavers' Play	20 th July
Y6 Leavers' Assembly	21 st July
End of Term	21 st July
Autumn Term Starts	5 th September

Class Assemblies

Class assemblies still to enjoy this term are as follows:

CS4	25 th May
NS4	22 nd June

All class assemblies start at 10.30am. Parents are very welcome to join us.

Parents Do Day

Our next Parents Do Day is on 25th May. Parents are encouraged to come and join your child in class and take part in one of their lessons for the day. The timings for each year group are as follows:

<i>Year 5</i>	<i>9.15 – 10.15am</i>
<i>Year 4</i>	<i>11.15 – 12.15pm</i>
<i>Year 3</i>	<i>1.20 – 2.20pm</i>
<i>Year 6</i>	<i>2.20 – 3.20pm</i>

We hope you will be able to join us.

School Comms

We continually seek to make sure our communication systems are as good as they can be. With this in mind, we are moving to School Comms as our method of communicating quickly with parents. You should have received a letter this week regarding our move to School Comms.

We hope that this will prove to be an even more effective way of communication between school and home - with email, texts and payment systems through this.

Please make sure you download the app – instructions for this are in the letter.

Well done to:

Our Year 5 Maths Challenge team who won their heat and will now compete in the county finals, to be held at Duxford Imperial War Museum.

Sustrans Bronze Award

We were delighted to be presented with the Bronze Award for schools by Sustrans, which is recognition of our work promoting cycling safely, and coming to school in a healthy way.

Year 6 SATS Week

You will no doubt be aware of all the attention in the media about the SATs for primary-aged children. With the changes in the National Curriculum from 2014, the current Year 6s were the first children to be tested against these changes. As you know, there has been a considerably shift in the standards expected for them to reach.

With all the political discussions surrounding this, it is important that we remember the children in this. Last week, the Year 6 children completed their SATs – they all worked incredibly hard, and we are very proud of them – for their mature approach and perserverance throughout the week.

Lost Property

We have accumulated a large amount of lost property again – everything that is named has been returned to its owner.

We have coats, gloves, scarves, shoes, and sweatshirts. If you are missing anything, please come and look!

We will be disposing of anything left on 22nd May.

Parking

A couple of reminders about parking. We open the roundabout in the morning for parents who are dropping off, but not coming into the building. We are aware that there are parents parking on the roundabout, which means the traffic is building up on Longsands Road.

If you wish to come in, please park in our visitors car park, and then come in.

Please leave the yellow zig-zags, the zebra crossing and the entrance free of vehicles at all times.

