



Value of the Month: Individuality

Dear Parents/Friends,

Another incredibly busy and vibrant half term seems to have flown by. Children have enjoyed taking part in activities that we have been unable to provide for the past 2 years – including visits, residential experiences, showcase assemblies and our Years 2 and 6 children have returned to taking their SATs tests! These may not have been the most welcome return for some, however, we are so very proud of our wonderful Year 2 and 6 children who have managed and conducted themselves in the most amazing manner.

Wonderful Queen's Jubilee Celebrations in School Today



What wonderful celebrations we had in school today – celebrating the upcoming Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It has been a truly wonderful celebration, starting the day with our return to having a whole school assembly together in the school hall – singing the new Jubilee Song together and re-creating the Queen's coronation – in our own special Priory Rise way! Such fun was had by all, and Mrs Truan looked positively regal when finally dressed for the coronation!



Later in the morning, we really did have a special visit from 'the Queen', who visited all the classes in school and delivered a special Queen's Platinum Jubilee book to all the children from Foundation to Year 6, for them to keep. Our wonderful 'Queen' kindly answered lots of questions and was entertained by song performances from the children. The children were thrilled and there has been a wonderful, exciting buzz around school all day. What a joy it has been for everyone in school to return to hosting memorable events such as these in school!



At lunchtime, the children were able to enjoy a traditional British roast dinner, followed by freshly made Jubilee cakes made by our amazing catering team.

What ever you are planning to do as a family to celebrate this historical occasion – across the actual Jubilee weekend - we wish you the most wonderful time with your loved ones. Fingers crossed that the great British weather is kind!



Year 3 Sleepover Success

On Friday 20th May, the Year 3 children returned back to school for their sleepover. What an incredible time we had! We played lots of games, danced our socks off at the school disco and then enjoyed some popcorn and a film together later in the evening. All the children were remarkably behaved and the staff who attended even managed to get a few hours sleep! You did us proud. Well done!

Miss Fenables



Upcoming Music Concert



We are delighted to inform everyone that we are planning and preparing for the return of our Priory Rise Music Concert! This will be taking place from 5.30pm on Thursday 9th June in the school hall. Children from across the school will be sharing their musical talents. This will include both of our school choirs – Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2 - along with many of the talents of our children who are learning musical instruments. These events have always been a huge success and a wonderful way to celebrate the achievements of our budding musicians. We look forward to welcoming parents of our musical children in school to attend this exciting event.

Baby News

We are delighted to report that our Miss Megan Fenables – who recently left Priory Rise to take up her maternity leave – gave birth to a beautiful baby boy last week – baby Ralphie! Both baby and mum are doing very well. I know you will all join with us in wishing Miss Fenables and her family all the very best as they enjoy their wonderful new bundle of joy.



In addition, we are delighted to inform everyone in our community, that Mrs Laura Pry, Assistant Headteacher and Year 6 Team Leader, is expecting her first baby – due in October. Huge congratulations to her and her lovely new husband. What lovely, exciting news!

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Year 6 – Robin Hood Day



Our Year 6 children have been learning about the story of Robin Hood and using this as a basis of their work in class this half term. Yesterday, they took part in their very own Robin Hood Day, where they came to school dressed in their Robin Hood outfits and wore hats that they had designed and made in their DT lessons. They embarked on debates that they had planned in their English lessons, on the subject of whether it was right for Robin Hood to steal from the rich and give to the poor.

In the afternoon, the children took part in their own archery sessions on the school field. What a brilliant way to immerse in a subject and bring this to life – making excellent memories along the way. Well done to all of our Year 6 children who embraced this new learning opportunity and conducted themselves so brilliantly.



Year 5 Showcase Assembly

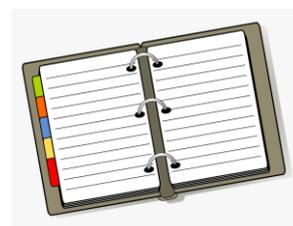
The children have been enjoying sharing their showcase assemblies with their parents – sharing a huge range of talents and aspects of the curriculum that they have been learning about – and today was the turn of the Year 5 children. The children brought a whole host of songs, poetry, information, demonstrations, dances, and gymnastics – hosted by our very own double act – Kai and Jonah! Watch out Ant and Dec!



What a truly excellent presentation and an absolute joy to watch. I cannot express how proud we all are of these children and their excellent contributions.

Dates for the Diary:

Friday 27th May – break for half term
Monday 6th June – INSET day
Tuesday 7th June – Children return to school for final half term of the year
Thursday 9th June – 5.30pm onwards – Music Concert
Tuesday 14th – Friday 17th June – Year 6 Residential visit to Peak District
Friday 17th June – Year 1 Pirate Day
Tuesday 21st June – 2.30pm – Year 4 Showcase Assembly
Tuesday 21st June – 5pm – Nursery Induction Evening
Thursday 23rd June – 5pm – Foundation Induction Evening
Wednesday 29th June – Foundation Stage visit to Rookery Farm
Friday 1st July – ‘Friends of Priory Rise’ Summer Fayre – ‘P Festival’
Years 1 and 2 - Sports Day Event - Thursday 7th July – 9am start
Years 5 and 6 – Sports Day Event - Thursday 7th July – 1.30pm start
Foundation Stage - Sports Day Event – Friday 8th July – 9am start
Years 3 and 4 - Sports Day Event - Friday 8th July – 1.30pm start



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Monday 11th July – Foundation and Key Stage 1 reports sent out to parents
Tuesday 12th July – Key Stage 2 reports sent out to parents
Tuesday 12th July – 4.30 – 6.30pm – Open Evening
Friday 14th June – 2.30pm – Year 2 Showcase Assembly
Monday 18th July – Children visit new classes – AM
Tuesday 19th July – 2pm - Year 6 Showcase and Leaving Assembly
Tuesday 19th July – 6pm – Year 6 Pizza Party
Wednesday 20th July – Children break up for summer holidays

And Finally...

Wishing you all a truly wonderful half term break.

Best regards as always,



Ruth Seagar