

## Priory Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move further into the autumn term, I'd like to take a moment to thank all of our children for their exceptional behaviour and attitude to learning. The positive climate across the school is a credit to them, and it's been a joy to see such enthusiasm and kindness in every classroom and corridor.

### Celebrating Progress and Looking Ahead

With Parents' Evening approaching in the final week of October, we're looking forward to celebrating the journey your child has been on so far this year. It's a valuable opportunity to reflect on their achievements, discuss next steps, and strengthen the partnership between home and school.

### Reading Diaries on the Rise

We're delighted to see a noticeable increase in the number of reading diaries coming into school. This shows a fantastic uptake in home reading, and we're so proud of the commitment families are making to support this. Every entry helps us build a clearer picture of your child's progress and encourages a lifelong love of reading.

### New Spelling Resource Launch

We're excited to announce the launch of our new spelling programme, powered by Emile Education. This engaging platform will support children in developing their spelling skills through interactive games and challenges. Look out for login details and guidance coming home soon!

### Upcoming Events

There's lots to look forward to in the coming weeks, including themed days, sporting fixtures, and creative workshops. We'll be sharing more details shortly, so please keep an eye on our newsletters and school app for updates.

### Our Core Values: Be Ready, Be Respectful, Be Safe

These values continue to underpin everything we do at Priory Primary School. They help us create a safe, inclusive, and inspiring environment where every child can thrive.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for being such an important part of our school community.

## Upcoming events

- Girls football League (start date TBC)
- Mixed boys/girls league (start date TBC)
- Netball League (start date TBC)
- P.E Leaders Meeting- Tuesday 14th October 2025
- West Bromwich Albion Football– Wednesday 15th October 2015
- Virtual Trust Multi sports festival.—Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2025
- School vaccinations- Thursday 16th October 2025
- 2J and 3M will be performing to parents - djembe drums -Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2025 2:30pm
- Parents Evening– Wednesday 22nd October 2025 and Thursday 23rd October 2025
- Cinema reading winners - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2025 and Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025
- **Half Term - Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October 2025**
- Year 6 Mixed Tag rugby tournament at Dudley and Kingswinford Rugby Club - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025
- School photos- Thursday 13th November 2025
- School photos (catch up)- Thursday 20th November 2025
- **Term End - Friday 19 December 2025**
- Year 6 Residential– Monday 23rd February – Friday 27th February 2026

## Attendance update

Your attendance shapes your academic journey and every day counts.

Our attendance for the last two weeks is...

92.04%

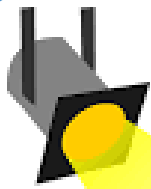
<b>1st</b>	Year 3 -94.91%
<b>2nd</b>	Reception- 93.86%
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Yr 1 - 92.33%



**POLITE  
NOTICE**

Please be reminded that parents must report their children's absence via parent mail or by ringing the school office. If children are absent from school for more than 3 days, medical evidence should be provided.





## Spotlight on Key stage 1



### Year 2

Year 2 have settled well and are working hard! We are coming to the end of our second writing topic. So far this term we have written instructions for making a bird feeder and making chocolate crunchy cakes, delicious! We have also written a story based on Little Red Reading Hood. During our learning, we visited forest school to help us to describe the woods that Little Red Reading Hood walks through on her way to the library.

In music, 2J have been learning to play the djembe drums while 2K are learning the glockenspiels. We are learning rhythms, listening skills and playing together.



In science, we are investigation materials and their properties. We have explored the properties of wood, paper, cardboard, glass and plastic as well as going on a metal hunt around school to find out the different properties of metals used around school; heavy, light, dull, shiny, rigid and flexible.



Some of year2 are becoming Reading Super Stars by reading at home and bringing their blue planner filled in with parent comments. A few children have already had a dip in the box and some will be receiving their first Reading Super Star certificate very soon!

## Spotlight on Lower Key stage 2

### Year 1



In Year 1 we have been looking at natural art. Andy Goldsworthy uses things he finds in nature which are beautiful to him, such as leaves and stones. We visited forest school and identified things we found beautiful. We even found a tree which looks like it has eyes! We will be using these pictures to inspire our own designs in our sketch books then visit forest school to bring them to life.



## Spotlight on Sports at Priory



Well done 5G!

Class of the month for September!

1<sup>st</sup> -5G

2<sup>nd</sup> 2k

3<sup>rd</sup> 6L



A massive well done to all children as Priory are in 5<sup>th</sup> place within all Dudley schools! As a school we have 3,889 Total active trips during September.

There should be no football on the playground before school. Please remind your children when you arrive at school.



## Spotlight on Sports at Priory



A huge congratulations to the children that have been selected to represent our school as Sports leaders. They have been presented with their badges and we hope they wear them with pride!

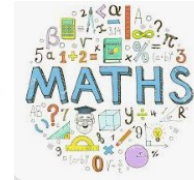
## Uniform

At Priory Primary School, we pride ourselves on looking smart and being an active member of our school community by wearing our school uniform. Wearing the Priory Primary School uniform promotes a sense of community within the school and allows children to demonstrate their pride in their school both within school and when they are out in the local community.

Winter Uniform from October half term until Easter:

- White polo shirt
- Navy sweatshirt/cardigan (no hoodies)
- Black or grey trousers/skirt
- Black sensible plain shoes (no trainers or coloured logos)

## Maths at Priory



A big well done to our top 3 Times table Rock stars who have got the most correct answers.

Keep playing and it could be you next time!



## Help Your Child Love Maths!

Want to know more about how to support your children to develop positive attitudes towards maths?

Join us at the school on

**Date:** 13/10/25

**Time:** 9am

This is not a maths lesson, and we won't be doing any actual maths! We'll be talking about the importance of maths in the real world, being positive about maths, and boosting our number confidence.