



# The Priory Primary School

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## Newsletter 2

Week Ahead	
Mon 16th	<b>Yr R attend full-time</b> <b>2.40 Assembly to present the new Yr 6 House / Sports Captains with their badges.</b>
Tues 17th	<b>4.30-5.30 Yr 1 Welcome Evening</b> <b>5.30-6.30 Yr 5 Welcome Evening</b>
Wed 18th	<b>4.30-5.30 Yr 6 Welcome Evening</b> <b>5.30-6.30 Yr 4 Welcome Evening</b>
Thurs 19th	<b>4.30-5.30 Yr 3 Welcome Evening</b> <b>5.30-6.30 Yr R Welcome Evening</b> <b>6.30-7.30 Yr 2 Welcome Evening</b>
Fri 20th	<b>Bags2School Collection</b>



### Reminders

Please pay Juniors outstanding lunch monies.

Costings and bank details on the homepage of the website.

### Attendance Figures for last week

Year 1 96.4% Year 2 100% Year 3 95.8%

Year 4 89.6% Year 5 100% Year 6 91.3%

### Uniform Bear

This week the uniform bear goes to Yr R .



### Message from Mr Stewart

Our first full week at school has flown by and it is wonderful to see the children settling down to their routines and really enjoying their learning at the Priory. It has been a busy and productive week for the school as well, learning more about their new topics, which for Year 5 has included taking a trip to the local church. A big thank you to the staff and parents who arranged and supported this wonderful educational experience.

On Wednesday I held the Welcome Evening, where I had the chance to share the leadership team's vision for the future direction of the school. The evening was a delight and incredibly well attended, thank you to all of those who attended, raised questions and provided me with really positive feedback that demonstrates how effectively the school and the parent body will work together. At the welcome evening, I discussed our use of social media and other online apps to provide a window into the learning of the school. The school now has its own Instagram page (theprioryprimaryschool) do please join and become a follower of the school. For now posts will be more general (pictures of me ringing the school bell, pictures of assembly from behind the children), however the aim is to celebrate the school's diverse learning and the educational experiences of the children. It is therefore important that we are fully aware of your parental choices in terms photographic permissions. **If you would like to update your permission slip for your child to either opt in or out of social media photo opportunities, please do contact Mrs McCoy in the office ASAP.**

For those of you who could not attend the Welcome Evening or the Coffee Morning (held on Friday morning), a copy of the Presentation Slides have been posted on the 'Letters and Events' section of the school website. Equally, I am working on answering the questions raised during this event and will post the answers on the website next week.

I once again wish to thank everyone for the incredible positivity shown to both my staff and myself, there is a real sense of growth mindset in action as the school looks to action a lot of philosophies that I have shared – long may this continue!

### **Headteacher's Highlight of The Week:**

This week's highlight has been welcoming our amazing new Year R students, Mrs Hindmarsh, the Year R team and myself have been so impressed at how confident the children have been coming into school and they already feel a vital part of our community. We very much look forward to them all coming to school for the full day next week and joining up with their Year 5 buddies, who I know will do a great job making sure they feel safe, happy and secure.

## PTA Chairman's Note

On behalf of the PTA I would like to welcome all of our new families and students to The Priory School. To our returning families and students welcome back! I hope everyone had a really good summer break. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to Mr Stewart, who has joined us as our new Headteacher.

The mission of The Priory School PTA is to support our school through advocacy, volunteerism and fundraising. Below are just a few of the activities your PTA carries out during the year which raised a net £14,000 for the school!

- Christmas Bazaar
- Sponsored Spell
- Easter Eggtravaganza
- Summer Celebration

At this year's **PTA annual general meeting on Tuesday October 1st**, there are openings on the PTA committee, as well as **openings for PTA Chairman & Secretary**. Both myself and Cara Rogers have thoroughly enjoyed our time as Chairman & Secretary. it's been a great way of getting to know other parents and the running of the school. We are looking forward to supporting this year's team in continuing the great fundraising work for the school and our children, and we would encourage any parents New or old to join the PTA.

We look forward to seeing you all at the general meeting where there will be cheese and wine on offer. Please get involved to support the school, our students and our new Headmaster.

Thank you for all of your support over the last 12 months, let's make 2019/20 another great year for the school.

Best Wishes

Andrew Nagalewski

### PTA 200 Club

The new forms for the 200 Club have been uploaded to the school website under the PTA section of the News & Events page. Please complete and return them ASAP.