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16th	3.15-4.15 Lego Club 3.15-4.15 Yr 6 SATs Maths	
17th	3.15-4.15 Infant Construction Club NO MINIBUS IN THE AFTERNOON	
18th		
19th	9.30-10.00 Yr 2 Swimming 3.15-4.15 Infant Multi-skills	
20th	2.40 Star of Wonder 3.15-4.00 Yr 6 SATs English & SPaG	
23rd	<u>NO CLUBS THIS WEEK</u> NO MINIBUS IN THE AFTERNOON 3.30-5.30 Parents Evening	
24th		
25th	5.00-8.30 Parents Evening	
26th	Yr 2 Swimming Explore Learning for Yrs 3&4 3.30-5.30 Parents Evening	
27th	RockSteady Concert 2.40 Star of Wonder Easter Film Club	

Attendance Figures for last attended week

Year R	96.4%	Year 1	100%	Year 2	92.9%
Year 3	96.3%	Year 4	97.1%	Year 5	95.2%
Year 6	93%				

The Priory Community Wishing Tree

Please come and see The Priory Community Tree in the Foyer, we now have **4** wishes on it!



A very interesting week at the Priory for reasons that no one could have predicted at the beginning of the term. Despite the recent concerns nationally and globally, learning at the Priory has continued to be the key focus. However, the children have taken to their new handwashing routines with maturity and are really demonstrating the Growth Mindset we worked so hard on in the first term. The children's continuing positive attitude is testament to our wonderful pupils and the sense of community that the Priory has.

Headteacher's Highlight of the Week: Both Mrs Adams and myself really loved accompanying Mrs Sowden and the Y5 children on their trip to the British Museum on Monday. Linked to their new Benin topic – the children had the opportunity to visit the African exhibition and listen to a really educational talk on how artefacts at the museum could be used to learn more about life in ancient Benin. The children (and the teachers) gained so much out of the day and the children's (and the teachers!) behaviour was impeccable.



Coronavirus Information: I will be producing a weekly information sheet featuring the most up to date guidance on COVID-19, this sheet will be emailed to you separately. For the purpose of this newsletter, please can I draw your attention to the recently sent action plan, which highlights the process we would take if the national decision was made to close schools. As stated in the action plan, the key focus for now is to remain vigilant but calm and in the short term (despite some changes to the routines of the school), education and learning will continue as normal.

The Vision for the Future of the Priory: Another huge thank you to those who attended the meeting regarding the Vision for the future of the Priory. If you were unable to attend, please do look out for the email containing the presentation I used on the evening. I plan to write answers to all the questions posed from the survey (posted on the last slide of the presentation) next week – so please do complete the survey by Wednesday at the latest. A personal thank you for all of the very positive feedback following the meeting – it demonstrates how shared our vision is as a community for making changes to the Priory that will really impact on the children.

Ground's Day: Also, another massive thank you for all of those who attended our Ground's Day. Mr Henry was so impressed by both the turn out and the incredibly positive attitude from all the volunteers (including Mrs Henry!) as they worked hard on the multitude of jobs that would otherwise never get done around the grounds. This once again demonstrates the incredibly positive community spirit at the Priory.

The Priory Oscars: A reminder of the submission date for all entries for the Priory Oscars –

Monday 23rd March.

All entries to be submitted to the office please. The theme of the film is: **'The Community'** and films could take any angle to this that the children like.

Parents' Evening: This week you should have received a text with a link to our new booking system for the Parents' Evenings that are arranged for Wednesday 25th March and either Monday 23rd March or Thursday 26th March. If you have not been able to arrange your appointment(s) for any reason – please do contact the office.

Easter Film Club: Friday 27th March (3.30pm – 5.30pm) – The Easter Film Club – please return slips to the office to book your child's place.

Reminder About School Bags: Please can we continue to encourage the children to bring in more economically (smaller!) sized bags where possible. Indeed, for those children who have hot dinners, a bag may not be required at all, except for the obvious PE kits and school book bags – which are still required. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Be Internet Legends Assembly: Today our KS2 pupils along with local MP Ranil Jayawardena attended a very exciting assembly about Internet Safety where the children took the internet pledge and learnt how to be "Internet Legends".

- **SHARP (think before you share)**
- **ALERT (check it's for real)**
- **SECURE (protect your stuff)**
- **KIND (respect each other)**
- **BRAVE (when in doubt, discuss)**



<https://parentzone.org.uk/>

Rector's Remarks (Rev Daniel Newman) - At the vision evening, I was struck by the image of Pamber Priory on the school logo, so I'm grateful for the invitation to re-establish that connection. I felt warmly welcomed by the pupils on my first visit to the school. I spoke about why Christians believe human beings have value. I look forward to meeting many of you at the school Easter service in Pamber Priory on 2nd April. You are also welcome at any of the services in the parish. There is a service every Sunday at 10am at St Andrew's, Sherborne St John, where there is a crèche and Sunday clubs during the service. I am next at Pamber Priory at 10am on 22nd March, where we remain together for the whole service.

PTA

Just a quick note to say that the Priory Tea Towels and Mugs would make excellent gifts for Mothers Day from the children. Please either contact Kirsty Northcote directly or look out for them being sold in the playground next Friday (subject to coronavirus of course!).

As a reminder, we are still looking for a treasurer for next year so please let us know if you think you could help. And don't forget, as always, matched funding and Amazon smile are all easy ways for the PTA to raise funds so please try to take the time to look into these!

Thanks
Ben

Pupil Achievements

A HUGE congratulations to:

- Henry H in Yr6 who achieved an impressive Distinction in his Grade 1 piano exam.
- Emma S in Yr 3 who performed flute in the Basingstoke Music & Arts Festival last weekend, and came 2nd in her beginners class.
- Beatrice C (Yr 2) competed in her Hampshire grades gymnastics competition last Sunday and did herself proud. She gained a distinction and came overall 7th out of 82 gymnasts. She also came 4th in Bar, 7th on Beam and 9th on Floor.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
(v) Homemade vegetable pasta	(v) Homemade butternut squash & leek bake	(v) Homemade vegetable pie	(v) Jacket potato, cheese & beans	(v) Homemade bean stir fry
Minced beef & Yorkshire pudding	Sherfield sausages	Roast turkey, sage & onion stuffing	Homemade beef lasagne	Homemade oriental chicken
Fish fingers	Quorn sausages		Homemade vegetable lasagne	Oven baked breaded fish
Fresh mashed potatoes	Fresh mashed potatoes	Roast potatoes	Garlic bread (with lasagne)	Chips
Diced potato	Homemade bread roll	New potatoes		Rice
Homemade bread roll				
Fresh broccoli florets	Baked beans	Fresh sliced carrots	Golden sweetcorn	Peas
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		Honey roast parsnips	Homemade coleslaw	
Homemade chocolate & orange sponge	Homemade muffins	Homemade apple crumble & custard	Jelly	Homemade syrup sponge & custard
Melon	Yoghurt fruit crunch	Grapes	Fresh pineapple	Cheese & biscuits
<p align="center"><i>(v) Vegetarian Option</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Additional : Salad Bar always available Daily Items: Fresh Fruit & Low Fat Yoghurt</i></p>				
<p align="center"><u>Food Allergies</u></p> <p align="center"><i>If your child has any food allergies or you require advice regarding the school lunch menus, please ask to speak to the school kitchen.</i></p>				