



We LEARN with PRIDE

Priory Junior School, Priory Road, Gedling, Nottingham, NG4 3LE
Head Teacher: Mr. J. Cross

Newsletter – 10/1/25

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to a new calendar year at Priory Junior School! I hope that you are all safe and had a lovely Christmas and New Year celebration. It has been a pleasure welcoming the children back into school this week. The children looked incredible on their first day back; smart, in uniform and representing Priory with PRIDE. I am really excited to see what the year brings and look forward to sharing our successes with you via our newsletter.

Key Dates

It wouldn't be the start of the new year without some key dates to look out for:

Monday Jan 20th – 1:30PM - PINS coffee afternoon (see more information about PINS below)

Monday 10th Feb – 9:30AM – Year 5/6 Celebration Assembly

Wednesday 12th Feb – 9:30AM – Year 3/4 Celebration Assembly

Friday 14th Feb – Break up for February Half-Term

Monday 24th Feb – Return to school

Weeks of 3rd and 10th March – Assessments in school

Monday 17th March – 1:30PM – PINS Coffee Afternoon

Tuesday 18th March – Spring Term Parents' Evening

Wednesday 19th March - Spring Term Parents' Evening

Thursday 20th March - Spring Term Parents' Evening

Monday 31st March – **9:30AM** Year 3/4 Celebration Assembly

Wednesday 2nd April – **9:30AM** Year 5/6 Celebration Assembly

Friday 4th April – 9:30 AM Rock Steady Concert

Friday 4th April – Break up for Easter

PINS Coffee Afternoon

The PINS project aims to bring together health and education specialists and expert parents/carers to better identify and meet the needs of neurodiverse children. The coffee afternoon will be a chance for parent carers to share their voice about things which are successful and ideas to improve provision for children.

It is really important for parents to have their voices heard, so feel free to come along, and bring someone with you if you think that would be helpful. Continuing to improve and adapt our provision is the goal for the afternoon, so the more people we can get feedback from, the better!

**Parent/Carer
Coffee and Chat**

Does your child have difficulties at school, at home or in the community?

Would you like to talk, voice the challenges, share ideas, and help to improve things for you and your child?

Session 2: Monday 20th Jan, 1.30 - 3pm
Session 3: Monday 17th March, 1.30 - 3pm
Where: Priory Junior School

Project for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools [PINS]

For further information please contact: enquiries@nottspcf.org

This project is independent of schools, or the educational dept of Nottinghamshire County Council. It is funded by Health and is being run by Nottinghamshire Parent Carer Forum - an independent charity run by and for parent carers.



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Adaptation of spaces

One of the exciting things about Priory, is how much space we have to support additional and different provision in school and this term has begun in earnest! Over the next few weeks we will be looking to adapt spaces in school to create:

- An up-to-date sensory room
- An designated ELSA and Counselling Space
- A forest school
- A nurture unit

We are working with the Gedling Area Partnership, the PINS project and White Hills Park Trust to continue to look at ways we can provide different provision for our pupils. I will share the amazing work that Miss Gilbert and her team are doing over the next few weeks and update you on the progress. Here is our sensory room as it is at the minute... almost ready for opening. It needs a few more bits for the wall, and the screen calibrating, and then we'll be good to go!



Online Safety

Please see attached a couple of posters that can support conversations around online safety at home. Many children will have had new devices for Christmas. Smart devices are an amazing way of connecting with each other, but there are also problems and learning points that come with them. Please look at the posters and look at how you can keep your child safe online.

As always, thank you for your support. The children have come back into school brilliantly. Children look smart, and are showing true PRIDE values as they move around school and work in lessons. Let's continue this term as brilliantly as we have started it!

Have a fantastic weekend,

Mr. Cross



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‘Theatre Kids’

Saturday Mornings from the 11th January 2025

(Term Time Only) with Ms Key

10.00 - 11.00am

@ Phoenix Infant and Nursery School

For all children in Yr 1 – Yr 6

£5.00 per session

★ Drama ★ Dance ★ Singing ★



★ Songs from Musicals ★
★ Drama and acting games ★
★ Dance routines ★

To book, email charissakey@gmail.com

Free taster session for all newcomers!