

**We LEARN with PRIDE**

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

Newsletter – 17.3.26**Key Dates:**

Tuesday 21st April : Year 5 Conkers Trip

W/B 27th April: Mock SATs Week for Y6

W/B 11th May: SATs Week for Y6

Wednesday 20th May: Class Group Photos

Thursday 21st May: Y3 Planting Day (Attendance Award)

Tuesday 9th June: 4TW National Justice Museum Trip (Attendance Award)

Tuesday 23rd June: Sports' Day

Wednesday 24th June: Friday 26th June: Y6 Bushcraft Residential

Wednesday 1st July: Y3 Creswell Craggs Trip

Wednesday 1st – Thursday 2nd July: Carlton Academy Transition Day (Y6)

Thursday 2nd – Friday 3rd July: Carlton-le-Willows Transition Day (Y6)

Friday 3rd July: INSET DAY – WHOLE SCHOOL

Tuesday 14th July: Y6 Production

Friday 17th July: Reports out to parents

Monday 20th July: Y6 Prom

As we come to the end of another busy and successful term, we would like to wish all of our children, families and staff a very Happy Easter. This week's newsletter is a chance to reflect on the many achievements, events and special moments we have shared over the past few weeks. Thank you, as always, for your continued support, encouragement and involvement in school life. We hope everyone enjoys a restful and happy Easter break, and we look forward to welcoming the children back for another exciting term in the summer.

Year 5 DAaRT Celebration

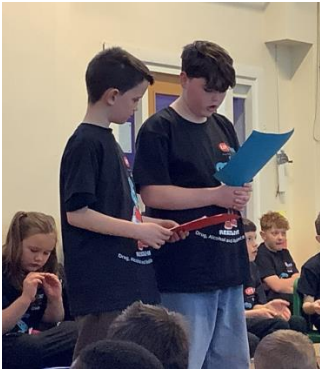
Year 5 celebrated their DAaRT graduation in style, delivering a fantastic showcase for our Year 4 pupils and Year 5 families. Throughout their graduation, Year 5 confidently shared what they have learned in DAaRT, demonstrating teamwork, effective communication skills and thoughtful decision-making. Mrs Lisi, our DAaRT officer, came to give out their certificates and celebrate their successes.

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The audience was treated to an engaging and interactive experience, with Year 5 pupils taking on leadership roles and inspiring Year 4 as they prepare to begin their own DAaRT journey next year. Families commented on the confidence and maturity shown, making it a memorable event for everyone involved.

Well done to our Year 5 graduates for creating such an incredible experience and setting a brilliant example!



OPAL Photos

OPAL continues to move from strength to strength. The development of social spaces, water play and increasingly interesting and different play on the scooter boards is something that the children have been developing.

Another area that has been a huge hit is the development of the rough and tumble area; something that the children have been crying out for since OPAL began. Rough and tumble play is a vital play type and the children have been brilliant at developing the risk/benefit assessment to ensure that the play is physical and fun, but safe enough for everyone to enjoy... The only feedback I am getting is that children want to start having their own WWE-style entrance music. Something for us to work on!





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Easter Raffle:



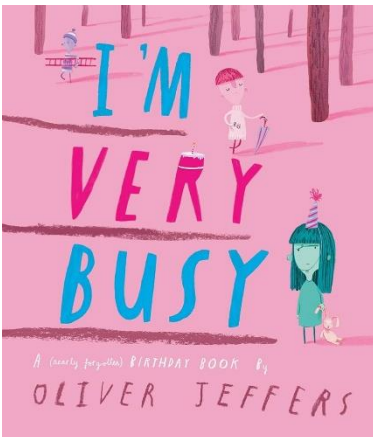
A huge thank you to everyone who donated prizes and bought raffle tickets for our Easter raffle. Your kindness and support made it a great success.

We are delighted to share that together we raised £586. Thank you for helping us make a difference and for supporting our school.



... It wouldn't be Easter without chocolate!

What I'm reading this week: I'm Very Busy – Oliver Jeffers



I'm very busy is my book of the week. Oliver Jeffers is one of my favourite authors, he is funny but earnest, and this book couldn't represent my relationship with Birthdays more clearly... it's also been helpful in reminding me that it is my sisters Birthday this week!

I'm very busy reminds us that we often prioritise things that seem important, but really aren't. We get bogged down in everyday things and often forget that the people around us – our friends and family – are the most worthy of our time, not washing our hair!

Many thanks,

Mr. Cross



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FREE Easter Activities & Trains Trail at Gedling Youth & Community Hub

Paint an egg cup

**2nd April
11am-1pm**

REFRESHMENTS
AVAILABLE

CHOO... CHOO...

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