

**Peace - Respect - Independence - Determination -
Equality**



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Dear Families,



Next week we are really looking forward to seeing you for parents' evenings. We are inviting families to come into to classrooms to meet the teachers and see the classroom settings. It is early in the school year and the main focus for this parents' evenings is to discuss how your child has settled into their new class/school. The sessions begin straight after school so please ensure that your child is collected

on time so we can start promptly. You will need to enter the school via the main reception so that you can be signed in (**NOT** through school please). Your child's books will be in the hall so that you can take a look either before or after the meeting. If you need to bring your child with you, they will be expected to be seated in the reception area whilst waiting and we will provide some colouring sheets etc. If your child has identified Special Educational Needs you will be offered a longer review meeting and appointments for these meetings are currently being made. If you cannot make either evening or times, then just contact your child's class teacher via Seesaw and an alternative date can be made.

We are really looking forward to seeing you all and celebrating the successes of your children over the next few weeks.



School Admissions -
CONSULTATION: 2 October 2023 to 26
November 2023

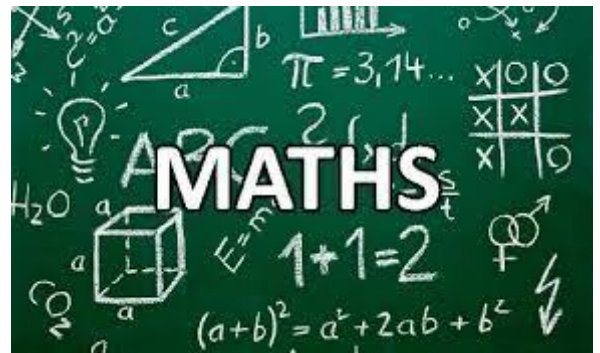
The Council, as the admission authority, is consulting on its admission arrangements for all community and voluntary controlled schools in Nottinghamshire for 2025-2026

and invites you to give your views. [School admissions consultation 2025-2026 | Nottinghamshire County Council](#)

It is really important that you look at this as one of the options involves Phoenix Infant and Nursery School as well as here at Priory. One of the proposals is for the Chase Farm Estate to be part of the catchment for Phoenix and Priory (Option 3) This would be a beneficial option for both our schools and would ensure that the whole community is supported. We have capacity due to the drop in birthrate over the past few years and higher numbers will support positive budgets and the continued good education of your children.

'My Maths Story' assembly

It is always a pleasure to invite visitors to school to share their experiences. This week as part of Capital One's partnership with National Numeracy we had a whole school assembly delivered by Brogan with the aim of helping children feel more confident with everyday maths so they can



fulfil their potential at school, home and eventually work. Brogan spoke about her experience with maths, starting with at school and then how she now uses it in her job and life outside of work. The children enjoyed the assembly as it helped them put maths into context. Afterwards we had some lovely feedback from Brogan stating that "the children were so well behaved, engaged and asked some great questions" Well done Priory!

Safe and considerate parking

Please can we remind parents and carers, who are driving to collect or drop off children, to ensure they are safe and considerate when parking and are courteous to our neighbours. We would ideally request that you park away from the school and ask your children to walk a short distance to or from school to reduce this congestion.





Please remember that our school is a nut free environment. This is because we have a small number of children in school who have a nut allergy. If these children come into contact with nuts or products containing nuts, there is a strong risk of a severe allergic reaction (anaphylactic shock) which is potentially life threatening.

We ask for your help in minimising the risk to these children by following these important measures:

1. Please do not send in any home-made or shop bought food for your own child or for sharing with the rest of the class (for example, sweets, cake or buns for birthday celebrations).

2. Please do not provide your child with any nuts or products containing nuts in their packed lunch. This includes peanut butter sandwiches and other spreads containing nuts such as Nutella. It also means that you will need to check the ingredients of foods such as cereal bars, biscuits, bread, Pesto and some desserts. Some products contain nut oil which is also restricted. As a guide, please look out for any bold print on the ingredients list that says the product contains nuts. If the packaging says, "may contain nuts", this is a smaller risk and may be included in the packed lunch. This rule applies for any adult in school as well as children.

It is important that all parents carry out the requested measures to reduce the risk of severe allergic reaction. Your co-operation in this important matter is very much appreciated.

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Harper and the Priory Team!





Dates for
the Diary:

Autumn

- Wednesday 11th October 2023- Parents Evening- 3.40 – 6.15PM
- Thursday 12th October 2023- Parents Evening- Times 3.40 – 6.15PM
(Parents evenings will be undertaken in your child's classroom)
- Friday 20th October 2023- School Open day (details to follow) Last day of term
- Monday 6th November 2023- INSET DAY (school closed)
- **CHRISTMAS CAROL DATE CHANGE BELOW!!!**
- Monday 18th December 2023- AM (time to be confirmed) Year 3 and 5 Christmas Carols
- Monday 18th December 2023- PM (time to be confirmed) Year 4 and 6 Christmas Carols
- Wednesday 20th December 2023-(time to be confirmed) Year 3 Nativity
- Thursday 21st December 2023- Christmas Dinner
- Friday 22nd December 2023- Last day of term

Spring

- Tuesday 6th February 2024- Safer Internet Day
- Friday 9th February 2024- INSET DAY (School closed) and last day of term
- W/C 26th February 2024- Parents Evening (Times and days to be confirmed)
- Wednesday 28th February 2024- Year 5 Swimming starts – details will be provided.
- Thursday 28th March 2024- Last day of term
- Monday 6th May 2024- Bank Holiday- School closed
- W/C 13th May 2024- SATS week
- Friday 24th May 2024- Last day of term

Summer

- W/C 17th June 2024- Sports Day (Days and times to be confirmed)
- Monday 8th July 2024- INSET DAY
- Wednesday 17th July 2024- (time to be confirmed) Year 6 Production
- Monday 22nd July 2024- Year 6 Prom
- Friday 26th July 2024 - (morning – time to be confirmed) Year 6 Leavers Assembly
- Friday 26th July 2024- Last day of term- END OF ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/24