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Last week we hosted our second round of parents' evenings and asked families to complete a questionnaire to enable us to ascertain parental views as we continue on our journey. The results and comments are published below. We really appreciate this support and continued working together.

Results February 2024 66 Responses

	Strongly Agree/Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1. My child feels safe at this school.	100%		
2 My child is happy at this school	100%		
3. The school meets my child's particular needs.	100%		
4. This school lets me know how my child is doing	100%		
5. The school supports my child's personal development	100%		
6. My child is making good progress at this school	100%		
7. This school deals with bullying effectively (if applicable)	98.5%	1.5% (1 response)	
8. The schools makes me aware of what my child is learning	98.5%	1.5% (1 response)	
9. If I have raised any concerns the school have dealt with them appropriately	100%		
10. I would recommend this school to another parent	100%		

Comments

Having had two children come to Priory I couldn't recommend it more, both children thrived.

Thankyou for all the support.

Lovely school, really looks after the children well. My child is making good progress here and really likes his teacher.

Happy with my childs' progress, always kept up to date via Seesaw which is always helpful.

We are very happy and my child is thriving! Thankyou all for all the hard work, support and care.

Lovely school and staff.

Very happy with the school and the communication with teachers.

Lovely school – class teacher is very helpful.

Always happy with the school and teacher and support. Never any concerns

My child is very happy at school. What more could we ask for.

Fantastic teaching. My child loves her teacher!

Not able to comment on bullying. Progress evident in books. Class teacher keeps us well informed regarding the learning that has taken place.

All round very happy.

Very happy with school, teaching staff and leadership.

I am happy with how my child is doing and the environment at school. My child's class teacher is lovely, and my child really likes her.

Very happy with Priory.

My children love coming to school. They both have good friendship groups and love their teachers.

Any concerns raised are listened to and dealt with.

Fantastic School.

Both our children are happy at the school and love coming here. A little upset about the end of the reading raffle- it is making it a bit trickier to encourage them to read at the moment.

Response – Thank you for your feedback. We are looking at an app to support parents encouraging reading at home – watch this space!

Year 6 need longer to eat their sandwiches.

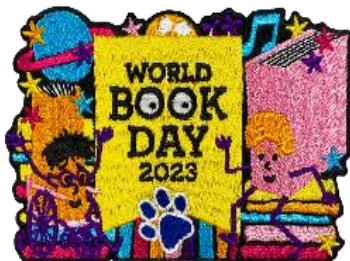
Response – Thank you for letting us know. The children have over half an hour to eat their sandwiches but we do have some children who finish quickly as they want to go out onto the playground quicker. Can you let the teacher know about your particular child so we can monitor and check in with them and see if they need to come in a little earlier to eat. I hope this helps.

This term I will be hosting coffee mornings as these are a great opportunity to chat to parents and carers. The dates and times are below –

Years 3 and 4 families Thursday 14th March - 9.15 – 10.15am

Years 5 and 6 Thursday 21st March – 9.15 – 10.15am

Please come along if you can, really looking forward to a catch up with as many families as possible.



A huge thank you to Mrs Burger, our English Lead for organising a really successful World Book Day. The whole day had a focus on enjoying books and a day filled with book activities – even active break had a World Book Day theme! All year groups participated in a 'Book Tasting' session in the hall.

The book tasting sessions gave the children the chance to explore a range of books and to engage and support our children to become motivated, independent readers who aren't afraid to explore new genres and authors. The children loved the sessions, and many wanted to spend longer exploring new books.



During the week children designed our latest Prides with a World Book Day theme too. These will soon be distributed and used as our latest 'currency'

We were also very fortunate to take part in a virtual author visit and draw along with John Patrick Green, author of The Investigators.

Our Infant School had their own book 'picnic' with children sharing their favourite books with their friends. Some of our Year 6 children went along to support our younger readers and our Phoenix children thoroughly enjoyed spending time reading books with the older children.

After a day filled with fun, we ended the day with a 'Bedtime Story' in House Teams as a relaxing end and a lovely finale.

And finally ...



It has been an absolute privilege to become part of the Priory Team as the Interim Executive Headteacher this academic year to support the school. The governors are now recruiting for a permanent Head Teacher from September 2024 to continue this exciting journey. It has been a real pleasure to work with the Priory Community and I hope that I have succeeded in bridging the gap this year during this period of instability. We have worked hard to develop a clear direction for the future regarding school improvement. I feel that I have begun to bring the schools' together

with some shared practice that meets the needs of our learners and I have been able to get a deeper insight into the factors affecting our children when they transition into Year 3.

We will keep you informed of any future developments once an appointment has been made. I am looking forward to continuing this joint working and being able to work in a supportive role with Priory moving forward.

Have a lovely weekend from Mrs Harper and the Priory Team!



Spring

- **Friday 15th March** Red Nose Day (Non uniform day and voluntary donation of £1)
Coffee mornings

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Years 5 and 6 Thursday 21st March - 9.15 - 10.15am

- **Friday 22nd March 9.30am Year 5 DAaRT Graduation assembly (Parents/carers invited)**
- **Thursday 28th March 2024- Last day of term**

Summer

- **Monday 15th April return for Summer Term**
- **Monday 6th May 2024- Bank Holiday- School closed**
- **W/C 13th May 2024- SATS week**
- **Friday 24th May 2024- Last day of term**
- **Monday 3rd June - first day back to school**
Y4 Multiplication check - 3rd - 14th June
- **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**