

# Priory Newsletter

## September 2016

### Welcome Back

Welcome back to the new term, we hope you all had a wonderful summer. The children have settled in very well and look fantastic in their new uniforms. Thank you parents and carers, for ensuring all children have the correct uniform and helping the whole school to look smart.

### Home School Agreement

We have updated the "Home School Agreement" as we have made significant changes to the behaviour system. It is important that you discuss the agreement with your child and return the section signed by both you and your child by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September. The main changes to the system are as follows: Dojos and merits have been combined to create "Dojo Rewards". As children achieve them, they will be awarded new Rainbow certificates. These awards have replaced bronze, silver, gold and platinum. We will continue to have "Progress Awards" at the end of each term. At the end of each half term there will be "School Values Awards". The warning system is staying the same but warnings are now referred to as "consequences".

### Consent Forms

Along with this Newsletter, we have sent the following updated consent forms, which need to be signed and returned to school by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September: Home School Agreement, E-Safety Agreement, Photographic Consent and General Consent.

### Academy Status

We have not yet fully converted to Academy status, we will keep you informed and let you know when we are given a provisional date. Please continue to make cheques payable to "Priory CE Primary School".

### School Photographs

Academy photographers will be in school on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October, to take individual and sibling photographs. Any younger siblings, not attending Priory, may be photographed together with their brothers/sisters at 8:15am, before the start of the school day. Please ensure that your photo consent forms are returned to school along with your Home School Agreement, E-Safety Agreement and General Consent Form.

### The School Day

Please be reminded that the school day starts at 8:50 a.m. and the doors are open from 8:45 a.m. Please ensure that your child arrives on time each day for registration. Children should not be arriving to school before 8:30 a.m. Year 6 children who have jobs need to be in school at 8:40 a.m. and no earlier.

### School Gateway App

If you haven't already done so, you can download the "School Gateway" app to your Apple or Android mobile phone and use it to send/receive free text messages/emails and to pay for after school clubs and trips. Please ensure that we have your current email address and mobile telephone number.



## Class Dojo

If you have not signed up already, please do so. This is an excellent method of communication for you and class teachers. It gives you access to class photographs, so that you can share in the children's learning. Please note that the teachers will respond to messages when they can and are not expected to respond during evenings or at weekends. **Urgent messages, such as a change to the person collecting a child, must be given to the school office and not sent via Dojo. If you would like to contact Miss Keen, please do so via the school office, not Dojo.**



Please be reminded that we have our own Facebook page which is a positive place for Priory news, updates, reminders and parent/staff engagement.

Please visit [www.facebook.com/prioryceprimaryschool](http://www.facebook.com/prioryceprimaryschool)

## Parents Evening and Book Fair

Parents Evening will take place on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 5-8 p.m. and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 4-6 p.m.. The Book Fair will be open on both evenings.

## Year 6 Secondary School Application Deadline

The deadline for Year 6 secondary school applications is Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Please apply via [https://www.admissions.stoke.gov.uk/ccsenterprise\\_admissionsonline\\_live/](https://www.admissions.stoke.gov.uk/ccsenterprise_admissionsonline_live/)

## Fundraising

### Welcome Barbeque

FOPS will be hosting a barbeque after school on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September, to welcome everybody back for the new school year, including new children and parents to Priory. Everyone is invited to bring their families along. There will be barbeque food available to purchase or you can bring along your own picnic. Drinks and tuck shop will also be available. Further details will be sent out in September.

### FOPS Meeting

The next FOPS meeting will take place in school on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September, at 6 p.m.

## Diary Dates

Fops Meeting 6 p.m.  
Year 2 Chester Zoo  
Year 6 Stanley Head Information Evening 6 p.m.  
Year 4 Grosvenor Museum Trip  
Year 6 Stanley Head Residential  
Year 3 Design A Rocket Workshop 1:30 p.m.  
Academy Photographs  
Year 6 D&T Workshop 1:30 p.m.  
Year 2 Around The World Dress-Up Day  
Year 6 Superhero Dress-Up Day

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September  
w/c Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November  
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