

# Priory Newsletter

## January 2017

### Mathsfest

Mathsfest will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January. This will be an exciting day of maths related activities for the whole school. We hope to raise the profile of the maths and have lots of fun. Pupils will need to wear their school uniforms as usual on this day.

### Safer Internet Day

**Safer Internet Day** will take place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February. The children will take part in various activities based around internet safety. Mr Aked will also be adding weekly updates to our Facebook page, to raise awareness about Internet Safety. Please visit our page [www.facebook.com/prioryceprimaryschool](http://www.facebook.com/prioryceprimaryschool) and feel free to like and share!



### Nursery

This half term Nursery are learning about "Who Helps Us?" They will be having lots of exciting visitors, including our school caretaker Mr Taylor, a mechanic, a postman, a hairdresser and the fire service.

### Parents' Evening and Book Fair

Parents' Evening will take place on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March** at 5-8pm and **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March** at 4-6pm. The Book Fair will be open during both parents' evenings.

### Year 1 Story Telling Afternoon

Year 1 enjoyed a wonderful Story Telling Afternoon with their parents and would like to thank everyone who came along. The children and adults read stories, created story paths and took part in a Disney quiz.

### Bad Weather

In the event of snow it is highly unlikely that school would close. However, we would urge parents to check the Stoke-on-Trent School Closure Notification website if conditions are particularly bad: <https://stokegridforlearning-public.sharepoint.com/> You sign-up for real-time email alerts from the closures website: <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKSTOKE/subscriber/new> We would also post a closure on our own website and Facebook pages [www.prioryceprimary.org.uk](http://www.prioryceprimary.org.uk) / [www.facebook.com/prioryceprimaryschool](http://www.facebook.com/prioryceprimaryschool) If it is necessary to close the school part way through the day due to worsening conditions, we will publicise the closure in the same way and allow you time to collect your children. Members of staff will remain in school until the last child is collected. We will also use the text and email service to notify you. However, if the system is busy it may delay text delivery, so please check the websites as well. It is helpful if you don't phone the school unless you have a problem collecting your child as the phone line becomes jammed easily and we are then unable to call those parents who do not use the text and email services.

### Fundraising

#### Red Nose Day

We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March in support of Red Nose Day. The theme will be "**Red and White**" and we as kindly ask for a donation of £1.00. The RRS squad will be selling red noses nearer the day for a suggested donation of £1.00.



### FOPS Meeting

The next FOPS meeting will take place in school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm in school. Everyone is welcome and we would love to see some new faces there.

### Cake Day

Following the success of "Cake Day" in November, we will be holding another one on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February. The children will be taken to the hall during the afternoon, with their class, to buy cakes. We will also be selling leftover cakes after school. Please send your donated cakes on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February - we would be grateful if you can send in just a small number per family.

### Easter Chocolate Bingo

We will be having an Easter Chocolate Bingo Night on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March. Doors will open at 5:30p.m., with "eyes down" at 6:00p.m. Further information will be sent out nearer the time but if you haven't been to one of our chocolate bingo nights before, please come along. They are good fun and there is always lots of chocolate to be won!

### Disco

The next Disco will take place on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April. Foundation Stage (Nursery & Reception) & Key Stage 1 is held from 5:30pm-6:30pm and Key Stage 2 from 6:45pm-8:00pm. We kindly ask that parents/carers of children in Nursery stay with their child until the end of the disco. Parents of older children **do not need** to stay with their child. Entrance price £1.50 per child. We are always looking for more parents to help with the disco. If your children are older than nursery age and you are planning to stay for the disco, please be prepared to help out - we will be on the lookout for volunteers!

### Diary Dates

Year 6 Evacuation	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> January
Year 4 Legoland Trip	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January
FOPS Meeting 6 p.m.	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January
Mathsfest	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> January
Blue Watch Visit to Nursery	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January
Safer Internet Day	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February
FOPS Cake Day	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 2 Gladstone Museum Visit	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 1 Aladdin Dress-up Day	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February
Half Term	w/c Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February
School Opens	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 6 Visit to Harry Potter World	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February
World Book Day	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March
Year 2 Grandparents Afternoon 2 p.m.	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March
Parents' Evening and Book Fair 5-8 p.m.	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March
Parents' Evening and Book Fair 4-6 p.m.	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March
Year 6 Leavers Photographs	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March
Red Nose Day	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March
FOPS Easter Chocolate Bingo 5:30 p.m.	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March
FOPS Disco	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> April
Last Day of Term	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April
School Closed for Staff Training	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April
School Opens	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April
May Day (School Closed)	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May
Spellfest	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May
Sports Day	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May
Half Term	w/c Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May
End of Term	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July
School Closed for Staff Training	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July