

Priory Newsletter

March 2017

Easter Service

We are very excited to inform you that BBC Radio Stoke will be recording our Easter Service at St Matthias Church on Wednesday. The service will be played during the "In Praise of God" programme on Easter Sunday, at 8:30a.m. and 2:30p.m. You can also download it from the BBC Radio Stoke website. The children will take part in a full service, including hymns, prayers and bible readings.

Community Links

We have joined forces with the CO-OP in Hanford and Hanford Court Care Home to strengthen our links in the local community. The CO-OP, in conjunction with the Police, have provided two sets of books for pupils, about how to keep safe and they will be used within our reading areas and guided reading sessions. Key Stage 1 Easter Art is on display at the CO-OP and we will announce the winners before the Easter holiday. The RRS squad ran a Valentines' Day card competition with Hanford Court. Miss Burton and the winners attended a lovely presentation and we are very proud of our winners. We will soon be working together to fill planters in Hanford Court's garden for the residents to enjoy. We are looking forward to getting started! The CO-OP point scheme supports ventures like this so please sign up and use your loyalty card. Our community is very important to us and we are excited for lots of new ventures.

Fees

As you may have seen in the news recently, school budgets are experiencing significant cuts. We can no longer subsidise areas such as after school clubs, music tuition and school visits to the same degree as we have done previously. From 1st April 2017, if your child is in receipt of free school meals, we will offer a 50% discount for music tuition and school visits but there will no longer be a discount for after school clubs.

Spellfest

Spellfest will take place on Tuesday 2nd May. We will be holding a competition to find a spelling champion for each Key stage and a whole school Champion of Champions. Please remember to encourage your children practice their Year group National Curriculum words in preparation.

Science Week Non-Uniform Day

The Eco council would like to thank everyone who supported our non-uniform day on Friday 17th March. We raised £274.00 to adopt an animal.

Red Nose Day

The RRS Squad would like to thank everyone who supported Red Nose Day. We raised the fantastic amount of £919.52 for the charity from the sale of 600 Red Noses and our non-uniform day. Well done Priory!



FOPCA

FOPS has rebranded as FOPCA - Friends of Priory Church Academy. We also have a new email address for you to contact us - FOPCATrentham@gmail.com

Easter Bingo

Thank you to everyone who came to the Easter Bingo Night, or donated prizes. The evening was very successful and good fun. We raised over £150 for FOPCA as well as £65 for Comic Relief.

Disco

The Easter Disco will take place on Tuesday 4th 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!

Summer Fun Day

The summer fun day will be on Saturday 1st July. We will be looking for donations of books, toys, tombola prizes, cakes and more. We will let you know more details after Easter.

The next FOPCA meeting will be held on Monday 15th May. We will be planning the summer fun day, everyone is welcome to come along and share your ideas. Unfortunately the driving instructor we used at the fun day last year is unable to come again, if anybody knows a driving instructor who might be interested in helping at the fun day we would be very grateful as this has been a popular activity in the past.

Diary Dates

FOPCA Disco	Tuesday 4 th April
Last Day of Term	Friday 7 th April
Easter Service on BBC Radio Stoke	Sunday 16 th April
School Closed for Staff Training	Monday 24th April
School Opens	Tuesday 25 th April
May Day (School Closed)	Monday 1 st May
Spellfest	Tuesday 2 nd May
FOPCA Meeting	Monday 15 th May
Sports Day	Wednesday 24 th May
Half Term	w/c Monday 29 th May
Fun Day	Saturday 1 st July
End of Term	Thursday 20 th July
School Closed for Staff Training	Friday 21 st July

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