

Activities to do at home....

In each newsletter we will include some ideas of activities to do with your children at home to enhance their learning.

- 1) To enhance your child's listening skills in readiness for early phonic skills, hide various items in boxes in the house and see if they can guess what they are from the sound they make! Listen to sounds all around you from the dripping of the tap to the tweeting of the birds, it all helps children to focus their listening.
- 2) Play "silly rhymes" where you sing a nursery rhyme but swap some of the words around so it doesn't rhyme i.e. Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall, humpty Dumpty had a great ... hat! Encourage your child to spot the word that was wrong and have a giggle about how funny it sounds when it doesn't rhyme. Can you do it to other nursery rhymes? Can you think of any different words which rhyme with wall? Humpty Dumpty had a great ball for example.
- 3) Practice writing your child's name with sticks in the mud in the garden or in shaving foam on the bathroom tiles!
- 4) Get your child helping with counting everything in the house... from the apples when shopping to the socks when doing the washing. Every little bit makes a difference.

Please ensure you write your child's name in everything they own!

Nursery staff

Miss Massey Class Teacher



Hello! I will be leading the Super Squirrels. If you would like to talk to me at any time, I can be available before and after school. Feel free to contact me on Dojo :)

Mrs Rowson Early Years Practitioner



Hello! Some of you may recognise me, I have been at Priory for 16 years now. I will be leading the Remarkable Rabbits.



Mrs Sireno

Learning Assistant

Hello! Some of you may recognise me, I have been at Priory for 5 years now and I will be supporting Nursery.



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**Topic:
What makes me
super?**

Welcome to Priory Primary School Nursery

We hope that you have had a lovely summer. This is such a very special and important time in your child's life! We have a very exciting half term planned. We are really looking forward to getting to know the children and all their families too!

Each half term we produce a newsletter letting you know what our topic is and details of what we will be covering over the half term. We also include ideas for activities that you can do at home to help to embed early reading, writing and maths skills.

Planning for the week is displayed at all times in the nursery entrance on the notice board so feel free to take a look. Also displayed on the board are EYFS policies, recent letters and OfSTED contact information. If you have any questions please speak to a member of staff.

Learning Challenge Curriculum

In June 2013, the whole school began working on developing a "Learning Challenge Curriculum" where learning is based around a question. Work done in class is then based on answering that question. At the beginning of a week, we will find out what the children already know and learning will be shaped around moving knowledge, understanding and skills forward.

The learning challenge focus in Nursery this half term begins with the question Are you a superhero? Our aim at this time is to get to know the children well (and them us) and to help them to get to know each other. We will be focusing on teaching them how use our equipment, and learning areas and to grow in confidence and independence.

Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

In September 2012 the Government issued a revised Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum which holds at its heart a document called "Development Matters". This document details development in a number of Prime and Specific Areas of learning. Development is broken down into age bands and there is some cross over in these age brackets i.e. 30-50 months and 40-60 months. As part of our partnership with parents, we will be sending out information in the coming weeks, surrounding the revised EYFS, details about the profile we build on your child and information about their individual development

To keep parents as up to date as possible about pupil progress, Priory have developed a Record of Achievement book, which will come home each term, letting parents know at what stage of development their child is working. More information on this will also follow. There is more information about our partnership with parents on the Priory CE Website.



PE kit

P.E kit consists of a polo top, shorts and black pumps. These need to be in school at all times, as well as a pair of wellies.

Smiley Faces!

When your child receives 10 smiley faces, they will bring home an invitation to our celebration Worship on the following Friday where they will receive a smiley face enamel badge and a certificate.

Class Dojo

Each time your child receives a smiley face sticker we will award a virtual sticker on "Class Dojo" which you can access via the app. We will also be posting updates on the Class Dojo about activities what we are up to in the classroom.

All parents have received log in details but if you need any help please feel free to ask.

Lost property

Please ensure that your child's name is in everything that they bring to school including gloves, shoes (both shoes) and all lunch equipment. If items are named we have a better chance at returning any lost property.



A note from Miss Massey

Hello parents! As you know I broke my wrist this summer, I will be popping in and out of class to spend time with the children. Hopefully I will be back full time before half term. :)