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# THE PRIORY













#### **TERM 2 - 12th November 2021**

Dear All.

Welcome to Term 2! We have had a brilliant start to our second term of the year – the two week break has done wonders for us all – giving us all a chance to recharge our batteries. The children have been engaged and focus on their learning and are producing some fantastic work; well thought-out questions and considered responses – keep it up!

As you all know, it is getting colder and as a precaution we are keeping windows and doors open as much as possible to ensure good ventilation in and around school. Please make sure your child has a warm coat and perhaps think about layering up (I've certainly got my thermals out already!)

As ever, if there is anything you need us from please call us on 01278 684151 or drop us a line at <a href="mailto:info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk">info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk</a>

Thank you for your continued support.

Emma Barker

#### **LABELS**

Can we please ask parents to ensure that all of your child's clothes are labelled, including shoes and coats. We've witnessed some impressive fashion walks with odd shoes being worn, however, it's probably best we all stick to our own clothes!

#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

If any of your details have changed over the Autumn half term, please don't forget to let us know.

#### COVID

As the Covid cases in the South West are particularly high at the moment, we are making a few adjustments to our school day to ensure we are minimising any risks of infections. This includes no assemblies for two weeks after the half term break, enhancing our cleaning regime, ensuring there is adequate ventilation in classrooms and increased hand washing. Staff are also wearing face masks when they are walking around the school or in communal areas. Please can we ask parents to also wear face masks when on the school grounds and

to maintain social distancing, and if your child is unwell and is displaying symptoms of Covid, please keep them at home and get a PCR test done. Let's work together on this and keep everybody safe.

#### **FLU VACCINATIONS**

This week you should have received an email regarding Flu Vaccinations. It's really important that the vaccination team have a consent letter for every child, whether you give consent or not. If you have any questions, please feel free to pop by the office.

#### **BUZZARD SWIMMING LESSONS**

Can you believe there are only 3 more swimming sessions for Buzzard class left? Every pupil has done so well with improving their confidence in the water. Learning to swim and be confident in the water is such an integral part of the national curriculum with the aim that at the end of Key Stage 2 all pupils should be able to perform self-rescue in different water based situations, swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres, and be able to use a range of different strokes effectively. You can find out more at swimming.org.

#### IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Nov: Road Safety Week

19th Nov: Children in Need

8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Dec: Years R-3 Nativity 14<sup>th</sup> Dec: Years 4-6 Carol concert 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas jumper day and

Christmas dinner day

#### **2021- 22 TERM DATES**

Term 2: Monday 1st November 2021 to Friday 17th December 2021

Term 3: Tuesday 4th January 2022 to Friday 18th February 2022

Term 4: Monday 28th February 2022 to Friday 8th April 2022

Term 5: Monday 25th April 2022 to Friday 27th May 2022

Term 6: Monday 6th June 2022 to Wednesday 20th July 2022 (Thursday 21st & Friday 22nd July are INSET days)

### CHILDREN IN NEED – FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> NOV



This year, we are asking all children to wear a spotty top with the rest of their uniform for Children in Need. We are also asking for a suggested donation of £1 per

child for the charity.

#### **ROAD SAFETY WEEK**



It is so important that our children know the importance of road safety. During the week 15<sup>th</sup> till the 19<sup>th</sup> November we are going to introduce some lessons and activities into the school day to help our pupils become more aware of the importance of road safety.

#### **KESTREL SUMSDOG WIN!**

We are so proud of our super mathematicians in Kestrel class who won the trophy for Sumsdog maths challenge! Organised by The Priory Learning Trust, several schools across the trust took part in the maths challenge to see who could complete the most questions. Good job Kestrel class!!

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

Did you know that our safeguarding leads (Emma Barker and Sally Jeffries) are now wearing more visible orange lanyards?

This makes it easier for children and parents/visitors to the school know who they are – quickly.

#### **PAWLETT PRESCHOOL BONFIRE NIGHT**



Join Krazy Kev and Dinky Dino for some free Bonfire celebrations on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November. All funds raised on the night go to our lovely village preschool.