



# Priory News

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*Priory Primary School*  
At the heart of the community

Hello parents and carers

Here we are at the end of our first half term, which has been packed full of exciting opportunities for the children, from theatre trips to cooking, constructing to performing.

Children have also continued to work hard at their lessons. School finishes today for a week and we hope that you have picked up some good ideas for things to do with the children from our Facebook page.

The most important thing you can do this holiday is keep reading! A trip to the Library in town is absolutely free, and so is telling each other stories. And remember, if your child reads a really good book this holiday, make a note so they can recommend it to friends. When we come back after half term it will soon be World Book Day (5th March) when we will celebrate with our favourite books.

Have a happy and safe week.

Mrs Fraser  
Headteacher



## Safer Internet Day

All the children in school have been learning about safe use of the internet over the last couple of weeks, and especially this Tuesday, which was Safer Internet Day.

This year's message was 'Free To Be Me' with the idea that children should be confident to express themselves as individuals and not do or say things that make them feel uncomfortable just to 'follow the crowd' or 'fit in'.

However, Mrs Wilde also reminded us in Assembly this week how important it is to remember that just as children make an identity for themselves online, so do other people. It is important NOT to reveal your real name, school or address to anyone you do not know IN PERSON.

Our youngest children are taught the simple rule 'Always Ask An Adult'.

### Attendance for this week .

Year 1 - 89.3%	Year 2 - 97.8%
Year 3 - 97.9%	Year 4 - 93.6%
Year 5 - 83.7%	Year 6 - 90.8%
Reception 96.8%	

Well done to Year 3 for achieving the highest attendance this week





## Nursery Open Morning

Thank you to all the parents who came to see their children in Nursery Class on Thursday morning – we all enjoyed sharing our learning with you.

Please remember it is vital that children attend Nursery every day. It is the best way to ensure they are developing friendships and learning skills ready for starting school in September.

## School Blog

Don't just take it from us – read what the pupils are saying about school.  
[www.prioryprimary.co.uk/pupil-blog/](http://www.prioryprimary.co.uk/pupil-blog/)



### Mon 24th February

Back to school (8.55am)

### Weds 26th February

Year 2 trip to Safety Centre,  
Milton Keynes

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Pancake Race on the playground

### Tues 3rd March

Year 6 visit Bedford School 'Chemistry Around Us'

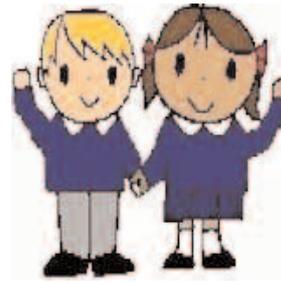
### Weds 4th March

Am - Parent coffee morning – Bedford Parent/Carer forum  
PM – Gigs4kids for Reception, Year 1,2 and 3.

## Upstage Theatre Company

Year 4 are looking forward to welcoming a professional actor from Upstage Theatre Company to work with them once a week next half term.

Year 4 parents will be invited to see the final show on the afternoon of Tues 31st March – more details nearer the time.



## SCHOOL UNIFORM

The half term holiday is a good opportunity to check children have correct school uniform. In particular, please can you make sure children are wearing dark school shoes.

It is important for children's growth that they wear proper supportive shoes; no heels, no trainers and no open toes please.

Thank you for your assistance in this.



## Storytelling

Many of you have asked if the storytelling mornings can continue after our wonderful National Storytelling Week.

We are happy to announce that we will have storytelling every Thursday morning in the Hall at 8.40am, starting on Thursday 27th February.

As always, everyone is welcome!