



Priory Primary Newsletter

18 September 2020

Thank you for another successful week, keeping our children safe, happy and learning.

Today has been the first day that Reception Class have been in school all day, and we are so proud of how well they have learned the routines in their first few days. A big well done from Mrs Webber!

We also have a request from Mrs Webber – do you have old welly boots for children aged 4 – 6 to donate to Reception class for playing in the Mud Kitchen, please?

Thank you for your donations to the Second Hand School Uniform box – please keep them coming.

Mrs Fraser and all the staff



SCHOOL DROP-OFF UPDATE

Thank you for following our guidelines. I have even had a member of the public congratulate us on safe distancing at the school gate – that is down to you!

Now that pupils have settled back into school, we will be enforcing the 'one adult per family' rule at drop-off and pick-up. The only exception to this will be for Nursery children during their first weeks in September.

COVID -19 UPDATE

I hope you have read our recent letter and flowchart about children showing symptoms.



This is information that we have been given from the local authority and health services. It explains that lots of children are getting coughs and colds already this season.

“How do I know if it is a cold or covid-19 symptoms?” The letter explains the three symptoms of Covid-19 – I can also confirm that if children have sniffly, runny or blocked noses (or any kind of catarrh) it is definitely NOT covid-19 symptoms.

If you think your child IS showing covid-19 symptoms (or if school sends your child home because we think your child is showing symptoms), you MUST self-isolate for 10 days and this take seriously for the whole household. We will do all we can to support you through this – but please follow the government guidelines to help us all prevent a rise in transmission.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

We will be running our Parent Consultations in early October. Parents will be able to meet their child’s class teacher, sitting outside and socially distanced. Appointments will be available throughout the day and after school. It is also possible for some meetings to be conducted online. More details to follow. For now, please make a note of the date for your children’s year groups:

- **Monday 5th October – Year 5**
- **Tuesday 6th October – Year 6**
- **Wednesday 7th October – Year 4**
- **Thursday 8th October – Year 3**
- **Friday 9th October – Year 2**
- **Monday 12th October – Year 1**

WELCOME TO MRS T



We are delighted to welcome Mrs T to our staff. Mrs T does not teach just one class; she has joined our team as Learning Recovery teacher, to help us get our pupils back on track with their well-being and learning.

Our Year 5 pupils were invited to ask Mrs T some questions to get to know her better. This is what they found out:

Do you have any pets?

"Yes I have a little black cat called Betty who we rescued last October. She is very independent, makes chirping noises like a bird and only eats really posh cat food!"

Do you prefer cats or dogs?

"Oh, I love all animals, so I can't really say what is my favourite. I do love dogs and will go out of my way to make new dog friends."

Did you need your parents' permission to colour your hair?

"No, I am now an adult and old enough to make my own decisions. Luckily my family like it though!"

Do you have a hobby?

"Yes, there are lots of things I enjoy doing like going on really long walks and painting but I think my favourite hobby is riding my motorbike!"

Mrs T is working closely with Miss Wilde, and together they are working hard to support children and families through this transition back into school.

Please remember you can always speak to them, or to your child's class teacher, if you have any worries.

FLU VACCINATIONS



All children will be offered a free 'flu vaccination this November. In the next week or so, you will get a letter with a consent form which must be completed if you wish for your child to be vaccinated.

We are very excited to welcome Ark Farm back to Priory Primary School, this time for the whole day on Friday 25th September. All pupils will get the chance to visit the animals – no age barriers.

