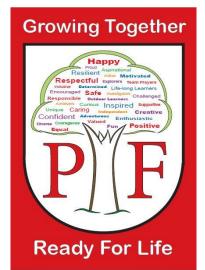
PRIORS FIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

4th September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers



Welcome back to the new school year and a special warm welcome to all our new families who have joined Priors Field this week. It has been wonderful to welcome the children back and I have been so proud of their sensible approach to all the new routines and expectations we have in school. They have begun their learning with enthusiasm and motivation and I hope this continues throughout this term.

At Priors Field all the staff are committed to ensuring that the school environment remains as safe as we can make it, reducing risk of infection. Thank you for helping us with this by following procedures and routines at the start and end of the day.

Yet again our school vision is an integral part of our teaching and learning and the Priors Field curriculum. This year we will have a new theme every half-term which includes the values from our vision.

Our theme for Autumn 1 is: **Belonging to our school**

All children and adults at Priors Field are responsible for working together to make sure that everyone feels safe and happy. We have respect for ourselves and others, always strive to be polite and well-mannered, and if we make a mistake with our behaviour we remember that we are team players and always try our best to put it right with the people involved.

We are **supportive** of one another in our learning, **caring** when things are tricky or someone feels sad, and we are **inclusive** at play time. We celebrate our differences and **unique** qualities so that everyone feels **valued** as an important and **equal** member of our school community.

Even though we are not able to hold congratulations assemblies and celebrate your child's achievements with you we are continuing to do this in school. Over the next few weeks we will be looking for children who exemplify the vision words from this term's theme, 'belonging to our school'.

Katie Gane, Headteacher.

Diary Dates

Our diary dates for this term are a little sparse and difficult to plan. We are taking our lead from the fortnightly LA information and Government guidance and will keep you informed of any updated events and dates for parents and carers in a timely manner.

Year Group Termly Information

This information gives you an indication of the work being covered this term across the curriculum for your child's year group and is being emailed home today. It can also be found on our website.

Rainbow Club



Our new before & after School Club begins on Monday 14th September.

Thank you for all the support with our new school venture and for booking your child into Rainbow Club. If you are still looking for care during the week please click on the log and register.

Playground

On the last day of the summer term we received the fantastic news about our successful application for funding from the Edwards Trustees. Combined with the £10,000 donation from the PTA we have been able to begin the removal of the old and installation of our new playground. The installation begins on Monday 14th September. Thank you to you all for your contributions made throughout the year to our fundraising. This is a wonderful example of the Priors Field community working together.

A special thankyou to the 'Playground working party' who have worked tirelessly over the last year to initiate ideas, plan and meet with designers and make this happen! Thank you Amy Warren, Mark Davison, Debbie Dawson and Becky Viggers; Priors Field is so grateful and it is a great achievement.

Well-being

We are all aware that there is still a significant risk for the infection rate for COVID-19 to rise quickly as the winter months continue. Please can we ask you to work together with us to ensure the whole school stay as safe as possible. If your child is unwell please keep them at home and advise us of their symptoms. We will then seek advice from Warwick Public Health and ensure the appropriate precautions are taken in school. You can contact the school office by phone or email.

Healthy School



Priors Field Primary School is a **nut free school**. We have several children in our community with severe nut allergies. Please ensure that your child's snack and lunch do not contain any nut products and help us keep all our children safe. Thank you.

PTA Scarecrow Hunt

The annual PTA Scarecrow Hunt will take place from Friday 25th September to Sunday 3rd October 2020. All scarecrows are welcome and the theme this year is 'Far Far Away'. More information will follow next week.



Other letters emailed today:

Years 1 – 6: Termly Information

Community News



Friends of Abbey Fields 2021 Calendar

A special feature this year was that, for 2021, Priors Field School also had a competition to write a 'one line' statement describing each month. The successful lines appear on each month of the calendar for example: March: Smell the scents, hear the tweets, lambs are born as the spring sun heats. (Florence and Katie)

The Winning Photograph & Launch



Sam Sexton and David Emsley



Winning photo "Mackerel Skies over Abbey Fields"

Sam Sexton is being congratulated by FOAF Webmaster David Emsley, for having his photograph, entitled "Mackerel Skies over Abbey Fields", selected as the front cover of the Friends of Abbey Fields 2021 Calendar. Sam and David are standing in the exact spot where Sam took his photograph. It was selected, out of nearly 150 that were submitted, by Kenilworth's Mayor, Richard Dickson. This year, because of Covid-19, the competition and judging were all managed on-line.

SELECTION OF CALENDAR PAGES



January – "Lake View" by Martyn Smith



July – "Carnival Fair" by Paul Fitzpatrick



October – "Lake Mist" by Paul Bagworth

David Emsley stated that the quality of photographs was the best we have ever had submitted and he was delighted with the quality of the final calendar produced by Emmerson Press.

The Calendars will again be priced at £6.00 each with members receiving a free one. They will be available on-line via www.friendsofabbeyfields.org.uk and also at the following outlets in Kenilworth from the end of August:

Alexa-Lauren – High Street Classic Hair & Beauty – High Street The Old Bakery – High Street (TBC) Kenilworth Books – Talisman Square Hair Lounge – Warwick Road Leyes Lane Pharmacy - Leyes Lane Time For Tea – Castle Hill
Kenilworth Pet & Garden Supplies – Abbey End
Abbey End Post-Office – Abbey End
Kenilworth Chiropractor – Warwick Road (TBC)
Windy Arbour News - Moseley Road (TBC)
Heads First – Common Lane