



PRIORS FIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Learning Together

Positive, unique, diversity, team-player, safe, happy, enthusiastic, achieve, encourage, motivate, support, achieve, confident, life-long learners.

12th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a special week in school learning about why we commemorate Remembrance Day. The children have written some thought-provoking poems, designed some wonderful memory gardens and created beautiful poppies.

Next week we have a busy time planned for Anti-bullying week alongside Children in Need. There are lots of important messages to take on board; being kind and thinking about others, perhaps less fortunate than ourselves.

Hope you all have an enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes

Katie Gane



Odd Socks Week

National anti-bullying week is happening next week, and we would like to recognise and celebrate what makes us all unique. The children may wear odd socks to school for the week 😊

This year's theme is 'One Kind Word' and we will be exploring how we can show kindness through the school and beyond in the wider community.

After a week of activities, we will be sharing songs, poems and pieces of art in a whole school assembly on Friday 19th November. Thank you.

Children in Need



Children in Need - we will also be celebrating Children in Need Day on Friday 19th November.

The theme this year is 'Together We Can' and the children may wear bright clothes - and Pudsey ears if they would like to!

The pandemic has been hard on all of us, but for children already facing challenges, it's made life even more difficult. With the help of our donations, we can support and help to change the lives of thousands of children in local communities across the UK. We will join a PE

session online with Joe Wicks and go for a ramble in our beautiful school grounds.

The children may like to bring in a bag of small change as we try to fill a giant Pudsey with coins.

A voluntary donation of £1, or whatever you are feel able to give, would be greatly appreciated.

PTA News

Matchbox Challenge

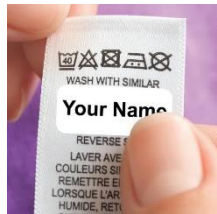
Thank you for supporting the Priors Field PTA matchbox Challenge. The entries were incredible - we never knew you could fit so much into a matchbox. Your hard efforts have helped us raise enough money to buy two new computers for the ICT suite which is a fantastic result! Matchboxes are being returned today and the winners will be announced next week.



Bag2school pick up

Thank you for your clothing contributions for this week's Bag2School pick up. We raised £89 to go towards our ICT suite new computer fund. The next collection will be on Friday 11th March 2022.

Uniform



We are so proud of our new active wear for PE and everyone agrees that the children all look so smart wearing it. However, this is a polite plea to all parents to name school uniform! Staff are spending too much time looking for mislaid performance jackets that the children take off in the playground and/or around school when they are too warm. If uniform is named it is easy to return to its owner.

If you need name labels we recommend: <https://www.stikins.co.uk/school-uniform-labels/>

Holiday requests

As we approach the season when we start to think about holidays for 2022 I would like to remind you of the government guidance on leave of absence in term time. I am aware that there are sometimes exceptional circumstances which mean a holiday in term time is the only time to get away as a family and I recognise the importance of special family time especially after the past couple of years. However, the children have missed enough school due to Covid and we are very aware of how this can impact on their progress in school. Please can I ask that you only make a request for leave of absence in exceptional circumstances. Thank you for your support.

Attendance Compliance Enforcement Service Attendance Policy Extract:

Leave of Absence

The Government issued new regulations in September 2013 regarding Leave of Absence; The Education (Pupil Regulations) (England) Regulations 2006 as amended by Education (Pupil Regulations) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013

- Head teachers shall not grant any Leave of Absence during term time unless they consider there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application.
- Parents do not have any entitlement to take their children on holiday during term time. Any application for leave must establish that there are exceptional circumstances and the Head Teacher must be satisfied that the circumstances warrant the granting of leave.
- Head Teachers will determine how many school days a child may be absent from school if the leave is granted.
- The school can only consider applications for Leave of Absence which are made by the resident parent.
- Applications for Leave of Absence must be made in advance and failure to do so will result in the absence being unauthorised which may result in legal action against the parent, by Fixed Penalty Notice.
- Applications for Leave of Absence which are made in advance and refused will result in the absence being unauthorised which may result in legal action against the parent, by Fixed Penalty Notice, if the child is absent from school during that period.
- The Attendance, Compliance and Enforcement Service have the authority to consider issuing Fixed Penalty Notices for Leave of Absence in line with the Warwickshire County Council's Non-School Attendance and Penalty Notices Code of Conduct.

(A copy of which can be found at <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/pupilnonattendance>).

Each application for a Leave of Absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.

Remembrance assembly in our environmental area



This week we have been learning all about why we commemorate Remembrance Day.



Year 6



Year 1



Year R

We made poppies as a symbol of both Remembrance and hope for a peaceful future.



Year 5



Year 6 read the famous poem 'In Flanders Field'.

Year 4



Year 2



Year 3



We remembered all those that lost their lives from our wider community; Clinton Lane, Malthouse Lane, Fieldgate Lane, Spring Lane, Pleasance Farm, Castle Green and Crackley Hall. Some soldiers were as young as 19 years old. We learnt that during WW1 the countryside was destroyed and bombed. Beautiful landscapes turned to mud; bleak and barren scenes until the poppies began to grow!



Other letters being sent home today:

Whole School: Christmas trip to the Belgrade Theatre

Week beginning 15th November:

Monday	Reception - Vision Screening Years 3, 4 and 5 will be swimming this afternoon
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Year 4 Polar Explorer workshop
Thursday	
Friday	Children in Need (please see note above) Fit for Life - Year 2 (please wear PE kit)

COMMUNITY NEWS

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 Make friends Confidence Enjoyment
 Resilient Grow Reach potential

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KENILWORTH COMMUNITY FORUM - POLICING PRIORITIES ONLINE VOTE

Visit <https://app.sli.do/event/h5ky6cnc> to cast your vote online. If prompted enter event code #229474

Voting closes 30th November 2021.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!