



The Priory Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Royal Wedding Street Party

Thank you to everyone who came along to the street party last Thursday to help us celebrate the Royal Wedding. We hope that you enjoyed it as much as the children! Thank you also to everyone who helped to tidy up, remove bunting and return tables and chairs to their rightful homes after the event. This is never an easy task and we are very grateful for your help.

The New Office Assistant

As you are all very much aware, Maxine is an invaluable member of our school team who has, for some time now, been multitasking in the office. With the new responsibilities that being an academy has brought we are delighted that we have been able to appoint an assistant in the office. We had many candidates, all of whom were of a very high calibre. It was a luxury to have such a strong field of applicants but that made the decision making extremely hard, as you can imagine!

We are delighted that Mrs. Lucinda Dunne has accepted the position and we look forward to her starting at school, once the necessary checks and paperwork are complete. We know that you will make Lucinda feel very welcome and I am sure the children will be keen to introduce themselves to our new face at the office window!

Teaching Vacancy

Having completed the interview process for the office position, our attention has turned to recruiting a new member of the teaching team. We received a very good response to the advertisement and we are holding the interviews on Friday, 13th. As it is essential to see the candidates teach, we shall be asking them to prepare lessons for Year 2 to 5 and I am sure that the children will enjoy taking part in the day.

I look forward to updating you with further information after the 13th!

Student teachers

This term, we are pleased to have 3 students from the University of Winchester in school – they are working in Years R, 3 and 5. If you have any questions about their placements, please do ask.

SATS – Years 2 – 6

Next week is the national SATs week for children in Year 6. For our 21 children, it is the culmination of many weeks' preparation and hard work and it will provide them with a National Curriculum level as a celebration of their achievement at the end of their primary school education. The English and Mathematics will, as usual, be sent away to be marked whilst Science will be assessed in school.

During this week, children in Years 3, 4 and 5 will sit the Optional QCA tests in English and Mathematics and the results of these tests will indicate how the children have progressed over the year.





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The children in Year 2 will also be undergoing assessments – these assessments will help to form Mrs. Love's overall assessment of the children's attainment in English, Mathematics and Science at the end of their time in Key Stage One.

We would be grateful if all children could arrive promptly in school so that we can make a start as soon as the whole class is present.

We wish all the children the very best for their assessments; they have all worked hard and have been well prepared and I am sure they will be a great credit to you and the school.

Clubs in School

The clubs run by staff in school are the same as last term. Please speak to the relevant member of staff if you would like your child to join a particular activity, if it is one they have not previously attended.

Gardening on Sunday, 15th May

Many of you kindly helped us move a mountain of wood chips in the Autumn Term. Our project for this term is to sort out the bed that runs alongside the Foundation Stage play area fence (on the adventure trail side). If you would like to join us on the day, your help would be greatly appreciated. Mrs Lewis will be sending out further details shortly.

Have a very pleasant weekend,

Kind regards,

Suzanne Kelly

