



Priory Rise News  
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**Value of the Month - Positivity**

Dear Parents

Summer time is definitely here! The children are really enjoying having much greater use of the field and we are looking forward to many of our exciting summer events.

We have the usual round-up of news and updates for everyone!

**Readathon Total**



We are delighted to report that the total raised for the Readathon event was an enormous £1145.91.

Huge congratulations to all who took part and helped to raise an amazing total that will be used to help children less fortunate have access to storytelling and books in children's hospitals. In addition, many thanks to Mrs Truan who lead this initiative in school.

Many thanks Mrs T!

**Start of the Day**

You will have noticed that for the children who come to school via the large playground in the morning, both Mrs Pocock and Mr Smyth greet the children on the entrances to the building before they go into their classes.

For general day to day issues, if you would like to leave a message with them to pass on to your child's teacher, please pass the message to either Mr Smyth or Mrs Pocock at the door. Only for *exceptional* circumstances should parents need to speak to the class teacher in the morning. We are a hugely friendly school and certainly wish to work in partnership with our families. However, the time from 8.40am is valuable time when teachers are working with our children. In addition, we are trying to promote independence with our older children and this supports them taking more responsibility for their own organisation.

Many thanks for your support with this in the mornings.

**Water Bottles and Fruit**

Please remember that with the warmer(!) weather now with us it is even more important that children have a water bottle with them in school. Water bottles should go home for washing every evening and please make sure they are labelled clearly with your child's name.



Please remember that we provide a fruit snack for children in Foundation and Key Stage 1.

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Children in Key Stage 2 are welcome to bring a fruit or vegetable snack for morning break. This should be a healthy fruit or vegetable snack - dried fruit such as raisins are also acceptable.

### Coffee Mornings

Our Thursday Coffee Mornings are going from strength to strength. Everyone is welcome - 9am in the small hall.



The programme for the rest of this half term is as follows:

- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May - Mandala Meditation - Wool Weaving for relaxation
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Ragdolly Anna

### Playing on the School Field at the End of the School Day!

We have noticed that a number of children have been going up onto the school field and playing on the equipment there at the end of the school day whilst parents are chatting.

Please can you *not* allow your children to do this. Often the children are not supervised and, in addition, Mrs Wood, our wonderful caretaker is having to wait for children and families to vacate the school premises in order to secure the school site. We will be talking to children about this in school to make them aware of this point.

### KS2 school meal online ordering

We are pleased to advise you that from May half term we will be introducing an online ordering and payment system for KS2 lunches. More details will be sent home next week.

### SATs and Assessments

This week, our Year 6 children have completed their end of year SATs. We are delighted to report that the children demonstrated the best of attitudes towards the tests and we are very proud of their hard work and achievements - well done everyone. In addition, we know that your work and support as parents has been invaluable - thank you so very much. I feel sure the children will achieve their very best. Huge congratulations on the success of a great week!

The tests are marked externally and we look forward to receiving the results and sharing them with you sometime in July.

### 10K Run at Silverstone



Many congratulations to all of the staff who took part in the 10km run at Silverstone on the evening of Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. This was a great event with a fantastic atmosphere. We are delighted to report that our team came 6<sup>th</sup> across the whole of Milton Keynes Schools. A fabulous effort from all who ran and completed the 10km course.

Well done to our amazing team of runners: Mrs Dean, Miss Hankin, Miss Cooper, Mr Smyth, Mr Bullen, Miss Ashby, Mr Neal, Mr Brown, Miss Dixon and Mr Wightman (friend of the school).

### Football Achievements

Mr Smyth and Mr Neal are both delighted to report our most recent sporting successes:



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The girls' football team finished off their league campaign with a win, a draw and a defeat. The win was against Falconhurst with goals from Ellie-Mae and a fantastic solo effort from 'Player of the Match' Phoebe F. The girls performed superbly over the 6 matches they played in, finishing with a record of winning 2, drawing 2 and losing 2.

The boys' football team won their penultimate league match with an 8-0 win over Caroline Haslett. Yippee! The goals coming from George D, Dalvin, Keon, Tyler. Special mention goes to Fletcher who scored a hat trick and goal of the season. Man of the Match for the game was Oliver A-T.

Huge congratulations to all of our footballers!  
Great work!

### **Rising Stars**

Many congratulations to the following children for their special awards and hard work:



Euan C - for amazing work in fractions  
Jude Y - for fantastic presentation and hard work within handwriting  
Suchir - for his fabulous contributions and discussion points in English  
Ollie B - for his continuous focus and determination in all areas of Maths  
Jade S - for showing amazing attitude and determination in all Maths lessons  
Vuk - for producing a well structured and adventurous narrative  
Kaden W - for excellent progress with his writing  
Lily T - for having a positive "can do" attitude towards her learning  
Kieran C - for making positive choices and a huge improvement in his attitude to learning

Ravji - for showing excellent listening skills and always having an open mindset  
Madeeha - for incredible arithmetic skills  
Navya - for always putting others first  
Lydia - for writing a fantastic non-fiction text on cheetahs  
Anya - for showing great resilience and perseverance with fractions  
Isaac R - continued hard work and determination to earn his handwriting pen  
Millie C - excellent effort with guided reading tasks  
Stephanie - exemplary attitude in all lessons  
Mustafa - detailed and thoughtful contributions in English and Maths  
Lois - fantastic understanding and effort in Maths  
Theodore B - incredible enthusiasm throughout our Year 4 trip and sleepover  
Niall - detailed analysis of our guided reading book  
Srishti - highly effective 'El Caminante' narrative  
Thomas S - fantastic use of contractions and conjunctions in his Exciting Writing  
Annaya F - fab resilience and positivity in Maths  
Tami - a big improvement in his attitude to learning. Really fab! Very noticeable  
Amy - Maths superstar. Only child to go onto superstar challenge and complete it  
Georgina - superb investigation of pop-up mechanisms  
Ravit - superb note taking related to Meerkat Manor  
Izzy D - working hard to meet personal targets  
Oliver W - an excellent piece of writing when writing from a character's point of view  
Lewis R - fantastic work in English, you've tried so hard!  
Kingsley - having an amazing attitude towards his learning and always trying his best  
Suraj - great enthusiasm and engagement in all learning

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Sequoia - fab work on time in Maths  
Flynn - trying really hard in English  
Georgia B - having a great positive attitude  
Chloe H - determination practising spellings  
Amelie - showing independence and a positive attitude towards the Year 4 sleepover  
Erin B - constant focus and determination in all subjects, particularly reading  
Scarlett C - being a really independent learner striving to progress in all areas of Maths  
Jasmine M - a fabulous learning attitude  
Malachi - excellent persuasive writing  
James W - writing an amazing letter  
Olivia C - incredible effort in Maths  
Jayden D - continued perseverance and positive attitude during Maths lessons  
Jorge - writing a fantastic narrative of the short film 'El Caminante'  
Tilly S - for working hard to master division  
Ashton - excellent effort to improve spellings  
Emme B - handwriting and letter formation  
Anna C - kind and patient to others  
Serena - improving learning attitude  
Aminah - imaginative and fantastic writer  
Mahnoor - great learning attitude and progress  
Yug - working independently and following instructions  
Nithin - excellent phonics and application of  
Aarnavi - using phonics effectively  
Emme B - being brave and working hard  
Sophie S - making cakes for everyone  
Logan I - a fantastic attitude to Maths  
Mutahhar - always being a fantastic and helpful role model  
Pullman class - all your incredible hard work, determination and positivity throughout SATs  
Harmony - for checking her Maths work so carefully and showing resilience  
Shiven - for an amazing positive attitude to his learning in all areas of the curriculum  
Gabriel - great work in Maths when looking at units of measure  
Haricharan - great fact finding when looking through First News

Ben T-T - for outstanding effort during recent Maths tests  
Ellie-Mae - for always being so positive, helpful and smiley!  
Harry S - taking pride in his writing  
Deen - great fact finding when looking at First News  
Laura B - always giving her best in all she does  
Amelia G - for always being a kind, thoughtful and happy member of the class  
Isabelle S - a beautiful, independent fairytale story in English. Fab job!  
Rohan - his fabulous use of adjectives in his writing. So creative!  
Samanvi - showing positivity in all she does  
Joshua S-O - brilliant effort when writing non-fiction texts  
Horowitz class - all your incredible hard work, determination and positivity throughout SATs  
Zoe W-T - excellent attitude and effort towards all learning  
Alfie W - excellent progress with his handwriting!  
Scarlett I - great resilience in Maths  
Caitlin J - an excellent letter in Exciting Writing  
Madison P - excellent effort with handwriting and presentation in all areas  
Jude H - an excellent understanding of our science topic and making amazing contributions  
Tristan O - resilient and positive attitude  
Daniel T - checking answers carefully  
Toby G - careful attention to detail when recreating a William Morris piece  
Kyle B - a great start to a non-fiction text.

Well done everyone - keep up the amazing work!

Warmest regards



Ruth Seagar

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