



PRIORSLEE ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe we are at the end of week five of this half term! It has once again, been another very busy week. I have handed out so many prizes for reading, effort, manners and even quite a few gold prizes - amazing! It has been a delight to recognise our consistently good children and those who are going above and beyond.

This week, Year Six have been exploring our new forest school area; it was wonderful to see them exploring, learning and playing. They were so enthusiastic to explore a new part of the school and it has supported many skills, including speech and language, team work, as well as maths skills.

Thank you to everyone who has been continuing to share ideas, feedback and meet with staff to discuss any concerns. Although Covid has limited our face-to-face communications, we are always only an email or phone call away! I feel that our new end of day system has dramatically improved the issues that were raised by parents, and I would like to say a huge thank you for your support and changing your systems to help keep everyone safer!

We will be hosting book drop-ins for each year group throughout this academic year. These will allow you to regularly look through your child's books and see the work they are producing, and also have an informal discussion about their progress outside of parents evening sessions. We are hoping that this, our new Tapestry offer for all years, along with the new Bromcom app, will help to create a clear picture about how your child is progressing. Please remember to sign up to your MCAS account as this is how you will make bookings for lunches, trips etc after half term.

We will be collecting donations for our Harvest Assembly on the 6th October. Donations can be brought into school from Monday 4th October until Friday 8th October. Any dried or tinned goods would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to everyone who has returned their child's food and allergy consent form, which helps us to comply with Natasha's Law, which comes into effect today. Please can I ask that you book your child's lunch choices via iPAL before 9:30am; this allows our fabulous lunch ladies to prepare the correct number of meals and also helps to reduce the number of phone calls the ladies in the office are handling. The phones have been the busiest they have ever been, and it means that, unfortunately, the wonderful ladies in the office have been unable to answer the phone as quickly as they would normally hope to.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend. Thank you for your positivity and support!

Many thanks,

Mrs Cooper

Head of School

