Priory News



21st March 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

Last week we marked National Science Week with a host of different activities and workshops in school. The whole school got involved in a whole-school investigation—focused on finding out the average height of children in school. The teachers got involved too! Our learning was shared and celebrated in our Friday's Sharing Assembly.

This week, our Year 5 children embarked on their trip to West Stow and had a great time—exploring Anglo-Saxon life with some first-hand experiences of their houses. They should now be ready to deepen this for their Anglo-Saxon day on Monday.

The Eco-Committee have also been actively promoting World Earth Day—asking us all to switch off our power for an hour on Saturday to help the climate and the world. We hope you will choose to get involved in this.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Keefe

Red Nose Day

It was great to see the children in non-uniform today. Thank-you for your donations.

If you would still like to donate to Comic Relief, you can do so here.

Attendance

Our current school's attendance is 95.06% which is good.

Please remember that registration is taken at 8.45am (Year 5 and 6) and 8.50am (Years 3 and 4). Children not present at this time are marked as late.

In the ten minutes before registration, early bird activities are taking place in class which are valuable activities to reinforce and secure your child's learning.

Break Time Snacks

A reminder that we are a health-promoting school. As such, snacks for break-time should be:

♦ Fruit or vegetable snacks

Crisps and bags of sweets should not be brought into school for break-time snacks.

Diary Dates

15 Angio-Saxon Day	24th March
Whole-School Theatre Show	25th March
Y4 Burwell Residential Information Evening—5pm	27th March
Priory Junior School's Cross-Country Championships	1st April
End of Spring Term	4th April
Training Day—School Closed	22nd April
Summer Term Starts	23rd April

Science Week 2025

This year, the theme for British Science Week was 'Change and Adapt'. During the week, each class measured their heights, calculated the average, and created a cardboard cut-out of a pupil to represent their class' average height. AG3 had the shortest average height of 1m 28cm, while HT6 had the tallest at 1m 55cm, showing that as we grow older, we generally get taller. However, we discovered that

some younger students were taller than older ones, reminding us to celebrate our unique differences and how we all change and adapt in our own ways!

Everyone has taken part in some exciting science talks and workshops, including exploring the human body,



learning about evolution, and discovering the latest technology used in space. We hope everyone enjoyed the week as much as we did.

Well done to AG3 for your wonderful class assembly this week!





Dear Parents and Carers,

Join us on **Friday, 28th March, at pick-up** on the **playground** for our **Mothers & Others Bake Sale!** Treat yourself (or a loved one) to a delicious homemade cake or sweet treat while supporting our school. Purchased 'free from' treats will also be available, but limited.

We are also looking for donations, so if you enjoy baking and have a little time to whip up something tasty, we'd love your support! Please make sure any donations are nut free.

If you'd like to contribute, please get in touch by emailing us at fopis@priory.cambs.sch.uk or contacting us through the school office.

Every cake, cookie, or traybake helps make a difference – thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you there!

Best wishes, Friends of Priory Junior School (FoPJS) PTA



West Stow-My Recount

On 19th March, the whole of Year 5 arrived at West Stow. There, we learnt all kinds of things about the Anglo-Saxons home / village. All day long we took part in exciting activities that helped us learn about the life-style of Anglo-Saxons.

Activity 1

After me and my friends entered West Stow, we were introduced to a professional historian, her name was Stephanie. The first thing she made us do was enter a museum where we got to put on Anglo-Saxon clothes along with a paper skeleton on the board with magnetic parts. We also did a kind of puzzle, that needed the bones of animals to line up. I also saw loads of artefacts to look at with some paper with information about what they are.

Activity 2

In activity 2, my group explored Anglo-Saxon buildings. The first house we entered was the living house where we saw a bed and some meat hanging from the ceiling. Me and my friends thought it was a butcher's house. The second one (I think) was the farmer's house where we saw there were no beds (barely any furniture). We all thought farmers in Anglo-Saxon times would sleep on the dirty ground. Then, after we left the farmer's house, we went in the Great Hall and in there we saw a skull of a deer with vines hanging on it's antlers alongside some bowls and we pretended there was popcorn in them.

After that, we had a look at the iron forge and saw how Anglo-Saxons made iron weapons (but we also saw an oven). After experiencing that, we went to the weaving room where we saw wool, colourful wool. Finally, we got to the workshop where there was a dead wolf skin hanging on a rack. There was a sign saying 'Do Not Enter' but it was nothing scary.

By Gabby, TH5









Week Three Menu

Served weeks commencing: 03/03, 24/03, 05/05, 16/06, 07/07



г						
		' MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	MAIN MEAL	Pasta Bolognaise with Peas & Salad	Chicken Curry with Rice, Salad & Sweetcorn	Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Peas & Carrots	Cheese, Tomato & Ham Pizza with Potato Wedges, Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Fish Fingers Served with Chips (Tomato Ketchup) Baked Beans or Peas
	VEGETARIAN	Cheese & Tomato Pinwheel with Peas & Salad	Vegetable Frittata Salad & Sweetcorn	Roast Quorn fillet, Roast Potatoes & Gravy, Peas & Carrots	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges, Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Plant Based Sausage Roll with Chips, Baked Beans or Peas
	JACKET POTATO PASTA DISH	Pasta with Optional Homemade Tomato Sauce and/or Cheese	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayo	Pasta with Optional Homemade Tomato Sauce and/or Cheese	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayo	Pasta with Optional Homemade Tomato Sauce and/or Cheese
	SANDWICH/ BAGUETTE	Sandwich with Tuna Mayo, Egg Mayo, Cheese or Ham	Baguette with Tuna Mayo, Egg Mayo, Cheese or Ham	Bap with Tuna Mayo, Egg Mayo, Cheese or Ham	Bagel with Tuna Mayo, Egg Mayo, Cheese or Ham	Sandwich with Tuna Mayo, Egg Mayo, Cheese or Ham
	DESSERTS	Strawberry Ice Cream & Orange Slices	Jam Sponge	Flapjack	Chocolate Brownie & Apple Slices	Fruity Friday
		4	14E.L		40	























Winner announced 27th March Camp open dates 7th — 17th April