



PRIOR'S MILL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER – NUMBER 38

WEEK ENDING 20th July 2018



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to this week's newsletter - the final one of the academic year. I can't believe it is the last day of the Summer term, the year has flown by!

Science Visit

In line with our work on the Great Exhibition of the North and the Little Inventors project, some of our Year 5 pupils visited the Discovery Museum in Newcastle on Wednesday this week. The pupils had the opportunity to follow the Great Exhibition of the North trail focussing on inventors of the future. Everyone had a fantastic day in the sunshine and the staff reported that fun was had by all!



Charity Fundraising

As you are aware, each year group has been fundraising throughout the year for a charity chosen by them in September. We are delighted to share with you the final totals for the year: Early Years (CAFOD) £227, Year One (WaterAid) £254.93, Year Two (British Heart Foundation) £4,199.2, Year Three (Zoe's Place) £342.08, Year Four (Daisy Chain) £740.81, Year Five (Mind) £809.57 and Year Six (CRY) £403.46 The grand total raised for all seven charities is £3097.77. A huge well done to all year groups- this is a fantastic achievement. As always, thanks also go to you too, as without your continued support, this would not be possible. We will continue with our fundraising in September.



Celebration of the Eucharist

Yesterday, pupils in KS2 took part in a very special Celebration of the Eucharist led by our Year 6 pupils before their transition to Secondary School. We listened to beautiful prayers and readings and amazing singing from all of our pupils in KS2. The pupils in Year 6 led the celebration beautifully supported by the Year 6 staff team and Mrs Rushton who played the piano for the service. All parents/carers and friends and family who attended had nothing but praise for the pupils and thoroughly enjoyed the celebration. Thank you to all of the children in Year 6.



On a Final Note...

We would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your valued and continued support throughout this year. As we say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils, we wish them the very best of luck in the next stage of their education and we are sure they will face new challenges and adventures with the skills and values developed at Prior's Mill during their time here. On behalf of staff, governors and pupils, we wish them the very best of luck for September and the future!



Have a great Summer break and we will see you all on September 4th on our return to school!

Kirsty Huddart
Deputy Head Teacher

Governor Email

From time to time you may wish to contact our Governing Body. If you would prefer to do this via email, the address of our Chair of Governors, Mr. Kevin Cooper, can be found below

PMGovernor@sbcschools.org.uk



MyEd App

Thank you to Parents/Carers who have downloaded our MyEd app. The **MyEd app is our primary means of communication**. It is therefore imperative, that you download the app as **our previous texting service is no longer in use**. Without downloading the app, you will miss important dates and information sent home from school.

Could we also remind parents we have a Prior's Mill Twitter account @priorsmill. Please have a look and follow us!



ATTENDANCE TARGET 2017 -18

97%

Attendance in school is very important and we ask that all parents/carers note our target for this academic year.

Attendance of all pupils is monitored each month and parents will be contacted should a child's attendance become a cause for concern.

Attendance achieved for the W/E

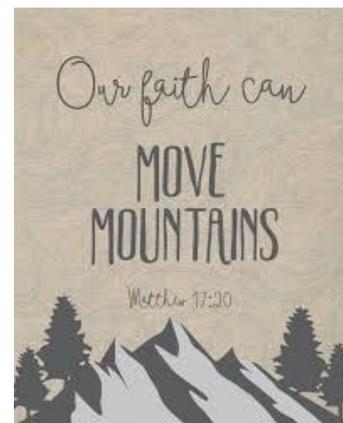
20th July 2018: 93.7%

Academic year to date: 95.3%

WORSHIP THEME FOR THE WEEK:

Moving On

To recognise that the Bible teaches us that God watches over us wherever we may go.



FUNDAMENTAL BRISH VALUES



Each week we incorporate a fundamental British Value in our school Worship. The value we will be looking at this forthcoming week will be: **Individual Liberty**

To articulate our hopes and dreams for the future and listen to those of others



DIARY DATES

Diary dates for the **second half of the Summer term**. Dates may be subject to change dependent upon circumstances

July

20th: Last day of term
23rd: PD Day

School reopens on Tuesday 4th September for teaching purposes

SUMMER



As a self reviewing and evaluating school we are keen to ensure that parents are:

- ♣ Kept informed of arrangements and procedures for our school;
- ♣ Aware of what is happening in school and of events that are going to be taking place;
- ♣ Pre-warned of specific important events where you may need to take time off from work / prepare for an event!

I urge parents to look at the school website and calendar to see what events are taking place so not to be disappointed at missing out!

Absence from School

Please may we request that you notify us as soon as possible on the first day of absence? All absences should be followed with a letter explaining the absence on your child's return to school.

Appointments

Please try to keep all appointments – dental, medical or otherwise, to a minimum during school time. Any time away from school, no matter how small, disrupts the education of your child.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

A copy of the school calendar can be found on the school website along with other useful forms. School will be closed for **one** further day this academic year: **23rd July 2018** for Professional Development Training purposes.

