



THE PRIORY SCHOOL

D O R K I N G

Headteacher: Mrs J Trimnell

5 December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Attendance

Congratulations to 7B2 for having the highest attendance and 11A3 for having the best improved attendance last week.

House Points

Congratulations to 9A1 for having the most improved amount of house points last week.

Wellbeing/Safeguarding

If you are struggling with the cost of living please look at this directory

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/health-and-welfare/support> as it contains lots of useful information. Also please contact Mrs Young, our Home School Link Worker if you need support from school and/or the community.

If you would like to attend a webinar for parents to help with supporting Year 10 and 11 students then please book your place using this link

<https://eikon.us15.list-manage.com/track/click?u=59894d7a4e8829d54a7a71b46&id=7cba3593f2&e=54d88701c9>

Year 11 Mock Exams

Well done to all the Year 11 students who are now in full swing of their mock examinations.

Community Carols Tuesday 6th December 6pm outside St Martins

You are all welcome to come and join us for a short service and carols. Our Steel band will be playing and our Year 7 students will be the choir.

Students involved will be rehearsing Tuesday at the church and will need to bring a packed lunch and coat as we will be outside for much of the rehearsal. In the evening students are encouraged to wear festive hats and scarves as we celebrate Christmas together.

Refreshments provided by Friends of The Priory PTA and available to buy after the carols.

16 December - Last day of term

On our last day of term all students will be dismissed at 1:00pm. Our annual Christmas Jumper Day will also fall on the 16th so please encourage your child to wear theirs if they have one. Students will be able to wear their MUFTI clothing on this day providing payment has been made via ScoPay.

Uniform update

Due to the changes in the skirt from September 2023, The Kit shop is selling the existing kilt at 50% off.

FOTPS

The Big PTA Cash Draw – 2 WEEKS TO GO!

Purchase tickets and be in with the chance of winning up to £5,000 in each of the 6 draws [here](#). Each £3 ticket (50p per draw) will generate a number that will be entered into all 6 draws as well as help raise funds for the school. The Big PTA Cash Draw is a nationwide PTA raffle of tickets organised by Parentkind. Draws will run daily from 14 to 16 December 2022 and they will announce the winning numbers on the site and let you know if you are a winner via email. For more information, terms and conditions, and FAQs, please visit www.bigptaraffle.co.uk

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS HOUSE HAMPERS

We are also having our very popular hampers raffle. The students have been asked to bring in a donation to go in their House Hamper, if they can. The Friends of the Priory committee will make up Christmas hampers with all the donations and these will be raffled off before the end of term. Students have a list of suggested items to bring in and please make sure the item has a long shelf life. **Raffle tickets are now available to buy on Scopay. The draw will be an electronic draw therefore you will not receive a paper ticket.**

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

A final reminder that if your child would like the Christmas lunch next Wednesday you need to purchase it separately on Scopay so they receive a ticket by this Wednesday at the latest. If you receive Free School Meals, please complete the form that was sent to you from Mrs Chart, so she can give your child a ticket.

EASYFUNDRAISING

Great news, The Friends of The Priory School Dorking PTA is part of **#easyfundraising!** Sign up today and start raising donations with all your Christmas shopping and more. Supermarkets, Insurance, pizza delivery, Currys, Norton, Funky pigeon are just a few. In fact over 7,000 brands will donate, so you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you're buying. These donations really do make a difference. It's a FREE and easy way to help during these difficult times! Plus, for a limited time, once you've raised your first £10, easyfundraising will double it! Visit [here](#).

For any questions, more info or to join or get involved with The Priory school PTA email us at fotps@priorycofe.com

Upcoming events;

Tuesday 6 December -	Community Carols at St. Martin's Church, Dorking, 6:00-7:00 pm
Wednesday 7-9 December -	Year 8 Christmas Market Trip
Wednesday 14 December -	Christmas Lunch
Friday 16 December -	School closes at 1:00pm for students
Tuesday 3 January -	School starts for Spring Term

Best wishes



Mrs J Trimnell
Headteacher