



THE PRIORY SCHOOL

D O R K I N G

Headteacher: Mrs J Trimmell



10 November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Anti Bullying Week

It was great to see so many students and staff wear their odd socks today. The purpose of this was to embrace differences and celebrate uniqueness. This week, assemblies are focused on the importance of standing up and speaking out, reminding students how they can speak out with confidence. A poster sharing this information has been attached.

We are also encouraging students to share how they feel about school and any areas they feel uncomfortable in. I will then analyse the results and make appropriate adjustments to minimise these feelings.

As part of our support for students' mental health, we encourage students to make their own referral to the Mental Health Support Team if they find it difficult to speak with family members of school staff. I have shared this [video](#) for information.

Remembrance Day

Tomorrow we will be observing a two-minute silence at 11:00pm followed by students watching a short video clip in their lessons, highlighting the significance of Remembrance Day. Thank you in advance to George Wisbey, Year 9 who will be playing the "Last Post". There will be a chance for students to buy poppies during tutor time tomorrow morning before the two-minute silence.

Student Takeover Day – 19th November

Due to the success of this event last year, we are encouraging students to take on the role of any member of staff within the school. If students wish to participate in the day they will need to speak directly with a member of staff and complete a take-over slip, which they can collect at Student Services from Tuesday. If they wish to take over; they will have the following options;

- 45 mins supporting Reception Staff
- 45 mins supporting an LSA
- 45mins support in Student Services
- 15mins teaching of a lesson.
- 30mins supporting a member of the Senior Leadership Team or Head of Year
- 20mins supporting a staff member on a break duty

Year 11 Mock Interview Day

On Wednesday, Year 11 will participate in an individual mock interview from our array of volunteers from different professions locally. Students will need to take their CV with them. Thank you to those that have volunteered to help with this.

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Attendance Matters



Upcoming Events

10-14 November	National Odd Socks Day (Monday) Anti-Bullying Week
11 November	Remembrance Day
12 November	Year 11 Mock Interview Day
14 November	Year 9 & Year 11 Reports to Parents
19 November	Student Takeover Day
20 November	GCSE Drama Trip – Woman in Black
24 November	Parent Tea with Mrs Trimnell – 2.30pm Book via aon@priorycofe.com
27 November to 15 December	Year 11 GCSE mock exams
03 December	Ski Trip Meeting 6:00pm
04 December	Year 9 Parents' Evening (In person) 4:00pm
05 December	Yr 7 and 8 Disco
08 December	Flu vaccinations
10 December	Carol Service 6:00pm
11 December	Christmas Jumper Day Year 7 & Year 10 Reports to Parents
17 December	Christmas Lunch
18 December	Music Showcase 5:30pm
19 December	Term Ends

Best wishes,

Mrs Trimnell
Headteacher



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