



THE PRIORY SCHOOL

D O R K I N G

Headteacher: Mrs J Trimmell



23 March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

During this half term I have had the fortunate experience of working with several of our students whilst they prepared to interview potential candidates wanting to join our community and teach. The students have been fantastic, creating challenging and thought-provoking questions to establish which candidates they feel would teach and support the student body to achieve their best. Their invaluable contributions have helped us to secure the following for September:

- 1 x maths teacher with 3 years previous experience
- 1 x part time languages teacher
- 1 x SENCO (Assistant Headteacher) Currently a Director of Inclusion for a Trust

This Easter we say goodbye to:

- Mr Ileogben. You will be aware that Mr Ileogben married recently; we wish him well as he relocates with his new family.
- Ms Roach. After 12 years of being part of the Priory community, Ms Roach will be taking on a role elsewhere as part of her professional development.

Lockdown practice

On Friday we held a planned full lock down practice for our school community, which everyone engaged well with.

Year 7 Community week

This week our Year 7 tutor groups will be hosting their community mornings. This is an opportunity for families of the students in each tutor group to come into school for tea and scones, it will be great to see you there.

7A1 – Monday
7A2 – Tuesday
7B1 – Thursday
7B2 - Friday

A plea.....

We are seeking for someone to work in our food technology area, measuring food ingredients etc for students to cook in lessons. This is a paid opportunity from 8:30-1:00 on a Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The role is required for the summer term only. If you are interested or know someone that could help, please contact Mrs Chart at kct@priorycofe.com.

WOW Week

We will be holding our annual WOW week at the end of July. Wellbeing is the focus of the week, giving our community strategies and developing awareness of how to support themselves and others. As a school we work closely with many charities such as:

- MHST
- Joe's Buddy
- Learning Space
- Be Me
- Be Long

Last year our WOW week was a huge success, and we want to continue building on this. If you would like to part of it or want to run a stall which helps provide support for others, then please let me know.

Friday 27th March

Friday is our last day of term and we break up at 3:25pm as normal. As part of our last day of term students will be able to wear MUFTI providing their charity £3 has been paid on ScoPay for the MUFTI days this year. As with every other MUFTI Day, students may not wear crop tops, and any shorts must be of a respectful length.

Parent and Student Surveys

It is really important to us to hear from our community. Please find the links below for parental and student surveys. It is only a short survey but vital for us to find out your thoughts and make any improvements.

[Parental survey](#)

[Student survey](#)

Fairfield Country Show 1st May

We have been asked to share the attached flyers regarding this event.

Everyone Ask Twice

A quick reminder that you're invited to **Workshop 2** of our *Everyone Asks Twice* programme with **Joe's Buddy Line**, building on last term's session about children's emotional wellbeing.

- **26th March at 2pm**

26th March 2pm-3.30pm Eventbrite Link <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/families-ask-twice-workshop-2-afternoon-event-tickets-1978386237493?aff=oddtcreator>

Future key dates:

24 March	Year 9 DTP & MEN ACWY vaccinations
25 March	Hampton Court History Trip
26 March	Everyone Ask Twice Workshop 2 at 2.00pm
27 March	Year 11 reports to parents
27 March	End of term – 3:25pm finish
13 April	Summer term starts Year 8 HPV vaccinations
20-24 April	Computing Inter House Competition
23/24/27/28 April	Year 11 Art final examinations
30 April	GCSE PE Moderation Day Year 10 Parents' Evening ONLINE
1 May	2026 BTEC Dance Show
4 May	Bank Holiday
7/8 May	Year 10 Geography trip to Portsmouth and Christchurch
11-15 May	Mental Health Awareness week Music/Drama Inter House Competition
14 May – 22 June	Year 10 exams begin
21 May	National Numeracy Day
22 May	Year 9 Retreat
25-29 May	Half term break

Best Wishes



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