Newsletter

13th January 2023







Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,

This week children took part in class liturgies that were beautifully planned and led by the children. It was a real joy to be able to walk round and see each of them. Our children are so reflective and reverent.

Just a reminder particularly after Christmas about E – Safety as your children may have received new devices. We talk to children in school about how to stay safe online but please make sure that any devices have the appropriate parental settings on them. There is a lot of concern particularly in the media at the moment about content on You Tube for example that is not appropriate at all for young children. This link has lots of information about how to keep your children safe online. https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-

resource/parents-and-carers

Please remember if your child is in Nursery currently at our school or another provider it is time to apply for a school place. Please follow this link to do so by the 15th January. https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applying-school-place-reception/apply-school-place-reception/1

Have a lovely weekend. ©









Apply for Free School Meals

To check if your child can get free school meals and how to apply please visit https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals. If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll also qualify for the Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF). You have to apply before each holiday. Contact your local council to find out how to apply.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Your child may also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both younger than the <u>compulsory age</u> for starting school an in full-time education

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they'll remain eligible until they finish the phase of schooling (primary or secondary) they're in on 31 March 2023.

Our School Lottery

Please consider joining our school lottery. Cash prizes are won every week with very good odds as it is only between the people that sign up in our school. The money raised goes straight back into the school for the children. It is really easy to sign up following this link: https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/our-ladys-primary-school-princethorpe

If we have 50 tickets sold we can raise over £1000 over the course of the year.

Thank you to all our supporters we really appreciate your help.





Workers Of The Year

*	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
		Austin	Sasha	Ned	William	Whole Class	Toby	Amrit

Attendance and Punctuality Whole school: 98%

Year N & R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
100%	99%	98%	98%	100%	98%	91%

Next School Week at a Glance

Date	Time	Activity
Mon 16 th January		
Tues 17 th January	3.15pm - 4.30pm	Dodgeball Club Y3-Y6
Wed 18 th January	9am – 11am 3.15pm - 4.30pm	Music Lessons with Mr Roe Lego Club YR-Y4
Thurs 19 th January		
Fri 20 th January	3.15 -5pm	Irish Dancing

School Lottery

Congratulations to Ms L, last week's lottery winner.

Please consider signing up if you haven't already.

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/our-ladys-primary-school-princethorpe

Twitter/Facebook For up to date information and sharing what we are up to –
keep an eye on our Twitter feed
@OurPrincethorpe and Facebook Page –
Our Lady's Primary School, Princethorpe @OurPrincethorpe

Princethorpe College Year 5 events

https://www.princethorpe.co.uk/year-5-choral-fun-and-try-tag-rugby

Year 5 Choral Fun Day – Saturday 14th
January 2023 – 9am – 4.30pm and Year 5
Try Tag Rugby Taster – Friday 20th January
4.15pm to 6pm.

Princethorpe are holding two events for Year 5 children. The Choral Fun Day is a day of free musical activities, singing tuition and team-building skills ending with a gala performance and refreshments for family and friends.

Try Rugby Taster is aimed at those interested in attending a training session on their astroturf, learning new skills and making friends. Aimed and girls and boys, the afternoon will finish with a mini tournament and refreshments for spectators.

Spaces for both events are limited and will be booked on a first come, first serve basis. Parents can access a booking for via the link at the top of this page.

If parents have any questions about Year 7 admissions or about these events please contact the Admissions team on 01926 634201 or email

admissions@princethorpe.co.uk

For your information

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE & SICKNESS

Permission for a leave of absence needs to be sought from the Head teacher should you wish to take your child out of school during term time for an exceptional reason.

Please note that strict Government laws are in place in relation to school attendance.

Term time holidays are not permitted once your child has started school. All holidays should be taken whilst the school is closed.

Holidays in term time will not be considered as 'exceptional' and will NOT be authorised.

Your child's attendance is our shared priority.

If your child is unwell please inform the school office by 9.45am or message the class teacher on class dojo with a reason for absence and expected date of return.

Children who have contracted sickness and/or diarrhoea bugs must remain at home for 48 hours after last sickness/loose bowel movement.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Please note that the gallery will be open until 31st January so any orders will need to be placed by then?
After that date, the link will no longer work and the gallery will be removed. Login details have been sent via Class Dojo.

OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Term and Holiday Dates Academic Year 2022/2023 Final

AUTUMN TERM 2022				
Staff Training Day 1	Monday 5 th September			
Nursery, Reception & Year 1 - 6 return to school	Tuesday 6 th September			
Bank Holiday - Funeral of Queen Elizabeth II	Monday 19th September			
Staff Training Day 2	Friday 21st October			
Half Term	Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October			
Term Ends	Friday 16th December			
SPRING TERM 2023				
Staff Training Day 3	Tuesday 3rd January			
Children return to school	Wednesday 4th January			
Half Term	Monday 20th February - Friday 24th February			
Term Ends	Friday 31** March			
SUMMER TERM 2023				
Children return to school	Monday 17th April			
May Bank Holiday	Monday 1st May			
Half Term	Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June			
Term Ends	Friday 21st July			
Teacher Training Day 4	Monday 24th July			
Teacher Training Day 5	Tuesday 25 th July			

Please note that under new regulations brought into force in 2013, Head teachers are no longer permitted to authorise leave for holidays. From September 2022, <u>ALL</u> absences and late arrivals will be reported to the local authority – who will issue fixed penalty fines for lateness and absence breach of statutory regulations at their discretion. We would strongly urge you to book holidays during the 12 weeks of school holidays throughout the school year.

Thank you for your co-operation.