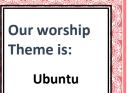


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Worship

The whole school visited St Katharine's Church this week for the Year 6 Leavers' Service and joined with them to celebrate how they have flourished through our school. It is always a pleasure to see the children reflect on their time with us, and the younger children watching can aspire to be like them in the future. Year 5 were heard, on their way back, saying, 'that will be us next year!' Thank you to the year 6 parents for joining us for the afternoon service your children were a credit to you and the school.



Thank you

Thank you for all your support, positivity and encouragement this year as well as the very generous gifts and cards to staff this week. It's been a busy year, with Ofsted thrown in, and we have a SIAMS (church school) inspection next year with another possible Ofsted too. We look forward to working together again, to help the children to flourish and be the best they can be



Start of term - Monday 4th September

A reminder that we have an INSET day on Friday 1st September and term starts for the children on Monday 4th September.

Please remember that your child must have the correct school uniform and this includes <u>no</u> earrings, friendship bracelets or hair braids - we appreciate your support with this.



Meet the teacher

Parents are invited to a start of year talk from Mrs St John and a few other members of staff in the hall at 2:45 on either Tuesday 5th or Wednesday 6th September. There will be a brief overview of highlights of the year and the year to come as well as some key take-aways for reading and maths. Following this, parents will be able to go and visit their child's new classroom and teacher. If you have children in different year groups, please choose the most convenient day (you only need to come once), otherwise **Tuesday Years 1, 3 and 5**; **Wednesday Years 2, 4, 6.**



Message from Mrs Richardson

As I start a new chapter at the Priory School and say goodbye to St. Katharine's, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all our families for the kindness and support you have shown me. I have loved getting to know you all. It has been a great privilege to have served as a member of staff for the past 11 years and to have helped your children to flourish in their own unique way. It is seeing your children achieve and grow in confidence that has made this such an enjoyable and rewarding part of my life and I have so many cherished memories to take with me. I would like to say a huge thank you for all the generous gifts, cards and warm wishes I have received. I wish you all a very restful holiday in readiness for the new term in September. Good luck! Mrs Richardson xxx



FSK Disco Champion

Please see the attachment in regards to FSK looking for a Disco champion.



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Activity Club Price Increase – September 2023

Due to the escalating costs to the school of running our activity clubs we will be increasing the weekly charge, this will take effect from September 2023, <u>ALL</u> activity clubs will increase by 50p per week.



Afterschool and Breakfast Club Price Increase – September 2023

Due to the escalating costs of running our afterschool and breakfast clubs we will be increasing charges as follows from September 2023:

Breakfast Club – short session - £3.20 increasing to £3.50

Breakfast Club – long session - £5.00 increasing to £5.50

Afterschool Club - £10.00 increasing to £11.50



Nut Free School

We would like to remind parents and carers that we are a nut free school. We have a number of children who can have a very serious allergic reaction should they come into contact with nuts.



Hot School Meals

Please remember to order your hot school meals by 11.59pm Sunday of each week to ensure your child has a hot school meal for the coming week. Please do not order a hot school meal on a Tuesday if your child is swimming.



Free School Meals – is your child eligible?

If you think your child may be eligible for Free School Meals (this is in addition to the universal free school meals that all Key Stage 1 children receive), please apply online at: https://www.bcpcouncil.gov.uk/Schools-and-learning/Free-school-meals/Free-school-meals.aspx or email or post your completed form (you can obtain a copy of the form via our school website: https://www.stkatharinesceprimary.co.uk/copy-of-school-meals) to fsm@bcpcouncil.gov.uk; Free School Meals Team, Customer Services, BCP Council Civic Centre, Bournemouth, BH2 6DY. For more information on Free School Meals, such as eligibility and how the children and school benefit, please visit https://www.stkatharinesceprimary.co.uk/copy-of-school-meals. For other information, please contact the BCP at fsm@bcpcouncil.gov.uk or telephone: 01202 123222. If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' (this is in addition to the universal free school meals that all Key Stage 1 children receive) and you register them for this, we will receive extra funding called 'pupil premium'. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school and you would be helping us, if you are eligible and register.



SUPPORT WITH THE COST OF LIVING - HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND

If you are in need of support with bills, you can apply for help through the Household Support Fund via this link: https://www.citizensadvicebcp.org.uk/hsf/ Alternatively call BCP Citizens Advice 0800 278 7939.



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2022/2023	
Summer Term	17th April—21st July 2023
End of Term	Friday 21st July 2023—1.00pm (Year 6 1.20pm)
2023/2024	
Inset Day	Friday 1st September 2023
Autumn Term	Friday 1st September 2023—Friday 15th December 2023
Autumn Half Term	Monday 23rd October 2023—Friday 27th October 2023
<u>Inset Day</u>	Monday 30th October 2023
End of Term	Friday 15th December 2023 1.30pm
Inset Day	Tuesday 2nd January 2024
Spring Term	Wednesday 3rd January 2024— Thursday 28th March 2024
Spring Half Term	Monday 12th February 2024—Friday 16th February 2024
End of Term	Thursday 28th March 2024—1.30pm
Summer Term	Monday 15th April 2024—Tuesday 23rd July 2024
Summer Half Term	Monday 27th May 2024—Friday 31st May 2024
<u>Inset Day</u>	Monday 22nd July 2024
<u>Inset Day</u>	Tuesday 23rd July 2024