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Dear Parents,

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our PTA Summer Fayre on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June. We are very fortunate at Prior Heath to have parents who do so much for the school and the children benefit a great deal from the additional resources the PTA have been able to provide over the years which include the trim trail, the adventure playground, classroom computers, ukuleles, outdoor learning areas, Wi Fi and books for book boxes to name but a few. This year, the PTA are raising funds to purchase Learn Pads. If you are able to help at the fayre in any way, please visit the PTA website and sign up [www.pta-events.co.uk/priorheath](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/priorheath). The children also enjoy helping and are welcome to help on the stalls with you.

### **Open Session – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

As previously advised, we will be holding an open session for you to visit your child's/ children's class/es between 8.40 and 9.30am on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June. You are invited to come into school with your child through their usual classroom door from 8.40am onwards. Your child will then show you round their classroom and share the wonderful learning that has taken place throughout the year. If you have more than one child in school you will have the opportunity to visit both classrooms. Once you have visited the first class, you will be able to walk through the school building to the second class. At the end of the session at 9.30am the school bell will ring and parents will need to leave the classrooms through the external doors as quickly as possible so that normal lessons can commence. The playground gates and gates to Southcote Park will remain open until 9.45am when they will be locked in order to secure the grounds.

Please note that whilst the class teacher will be present, there will not be an opportunity for an in depth discussion about your child and their progress. If you would like to meet with the class teacher please book an appointment with the school office.

### **Inset Days**

A reminder that school will be closed for staff training on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June and Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June**.

### **Inset Days for 2017/18 school year**

Our five Inset Days for the 2017/18 school year when school will be closed for staff training are as follows:

- **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017** (therefore children in Year 1 and Year 2 will return to school after the summer holidays on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Children in Year R will start school on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September.)
- **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017**
- **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018**
- **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018**
- **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

Please note that there may be an additional closure day if the school is required for polling and we will inform parents as soon as we receive information from the Council.

### **IMPORTANT- Health & Safety within the school grounds**

We would like to remind parents to be vigilant at the beginning and end of the school day in order to ensure the safety of children at all times. Please do not allow the children in your care to:

- Use the Adventure Playground or Trim Trail as we are not insured for children to use this equipment unless supervised by school staff.
- Climb on or over the fence surrounding the pond or climb on any of the fencing around the school.
- Ride on scooters or bikes anywhere within the school grounds, including the path that runs behind the Tennis Club and across the school field.
- Run through the garden borders at the front of the school.
- Walk around the wall outside the school office.
- Play ball games on the school field.
- Play with or throw sticks.

The teachers spend valuable time before school setting up the covered outdoor areas ready for the day's learning activities. Please would you ensure that the children in your care do not disturb the equipment in any of these areas, particularly during morning drop-off.

Your co-operation with this would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

### **Sports Morning Preparation**

In preparation for sports morning which will take place on the morning of Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July (weather permitting), the children will be practising at every opportunity and will therefore need the following items in school each day:

- Full PE kit and plimsolls (please ensure your child's plimsolls fit correctly)
- Sun hat
- An extra drink of water in a suitable plastic container (please ensure it is water as insects may be attracted to sugary drinks).

Please administer sun cream before your child comes to school as even if it is overcast the children can be affected by the sun.

### **Art Exhibition – 2.55 to 4.30pm Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

The Art Exhibition will take place after school on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. We rotate the Art Exhibition activities on a three yearly basis and this year each child has created a painting or drawing which will be professionally framed and displayed in the school hall for parents and children to view. The artwork is available to purchase at a cost of £8.50. Funds raised from this event are to be used to book an artist based workshop for the children in the next school year. Parents are welcome to view and purchase their child's artwork from 2.55pm until 4.30pm on 7<sup>th</sup> July. Please note that there is no obligation to purchase the artwork.

### **Diary Dates**

Please find attached diary dates for the remainder of this year and initial dates for 2017/18.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Ellen McClelland  
Headteacher

## Diary Dates

| <b>2016/17 School Year</b> |                                  |  |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Friday                     | 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2017       | Photographer in school to take class photos                                |
| Saturday                   | 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2017       | PTA Summer Fayre – 11.30am to 2.00pm                                       |
| Monday                     | 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2017       | Open Session for parents 8.40 to 9.30am                                    |
| <b>Friday</b>              | <b>23<sup>rd</sup> June 2017</b> | <b>Inset Day – school closed for staff training</b>                        |
| <b>Monday</b>              | <b>26<sup>th</sup> June 2017</b> | <b>Inset Day – school closed for staff training</b>                        |
| Wednesday                  | 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2017       | Year 1 trip to Marwell Zoo   |
| Friday                     | 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2017        | Sports Morning (9.30 to approx. 11.00) & Art Exhibition (2.55 to 4.30pm)   |
| Wednesday                  | 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2017       | Year 2 concert and picnic (1.30pm) for parents who have children in Year 2 |
| Friday                     | 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2017       | End of Summer Term at <b>2pm</b> – please note early closure               |

| <b>2017/18 School Year</b> |  |  |
|----------------------------|--|--|
| <b>Monday</b>              | <b>4<sup>th</sup> September 2017</b>               | <b>Inset Day – school closed</b>                             |
| Tuesday                    | 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2017                     | Start of Autumn Term for Year 1 and Year 2 children          |
| Thursday                   | 7 <sup>th</sup> September 2017                     | Start of Autumn Term for Year R children                     |
| Monday-Friday              | 23 <sup>rd</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2017  | Half Term  |
| <b>Friday</b>              | <b>24<sup>th</sup> November 2017</b>               | <b>Inset Day – school closed for staff training</b>          |
| Thursday                   | 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2017                     | End of Autumn Term at <b>2pm</b> – please note early closure |
| Thursday                   | 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2018                       | Start of Spring Term   |
| Monday-Friday              | 12 <sup>th</sup> to 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 | Half Term  |
| <b>Monday</b>              | <b>19<sup>th</sup> February 2018</b>               | <b>Inset Day – school closed for staff training</b>          |
| Thursday                   | 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2018                        | End of Spring Term at 2pm – please note early closure        |
| Monday                     | 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2018                        | Start of Summer Term   |
| Monday                     | 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2018                           | Bank Holiday – school closed                                 |
| Monday-Friday              | 28 <sup>th</sup> May to 1 <sup>st</sup> June       | Half Term  |
| <b>Monday</b>              | <b>4<sup>th</sup> June 2018</b>                    | <b>Inset Day – school closed for staff training</b>          |
| <b>Friday</b>              | <b>29<sup>th</sup> June 2018</b>                   | <b>Inset Day – school closed for staff training</b>          |
| Monday                     | 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2018                         | End of Summer Term at 2pm – please note early closure        |