



Prior Heath Infant School

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Dear Parents,

What a busy but wonderful term it has been at Prior Heath. It was fantastic to end on such a high with our performance of 'It's a Baby'. The children have really enjoyed the build up to Christmas and it has been magical to see their excitement.

Thank you, PTA

We were delighted to see so many of you at our PTA Christmas fair this year. Although it was a little chilly, it was wonderful to see our school community having fun together.

Thank you to Selena Ramsey, PTA Chair, and the PTA executive committee: Sarah Conquer (Vice Chair), Inga Lebednykiene (Treasurer), Tori McIntyre (Vice Treasurer) and Kripa Joshi (Secretary) together with PTA committee members for organising such a successful event. It takes a huge amount of effort to put everything together for the Christmas fair, including creating the amazing grottos. We are very fortunate to have such a hardworking and supportive PTA team. Thank you also to all of the parents who helped on stalls and supported the event on the day.

Parent Helpers

Thank you to all of our parent helpers who have supported the classes this term. The teachers and the children have been most grateful for all of your time and hard work. We look forward to seeing you back in school from the week commencing Monday 8th January 2024. If anyone would like to help in school, please contact Mrs Stephens or the school office.

Christmas Events

Your positive comments regarding this week's Christmas production were greatly appreciated by staff and I would like to thank you for your help in providing the costumes and coming in to watch. The staff and children worked incredibly hard and I think you will agree it was a wonderful production. We are extremely thankful for the generous donations that you made to Brightest Stars which totalled an amazing £244.70.

It was lovely to see the children in their Christmas outfits on Thursday 7th December. We raised £142 for Save the Children. Thank you very much for your support and generosity. The children all thoroughly enjoyed their Christmas lunch that day as well. A huge thank you to our caterers, Ms. Terrett and Mrs Fay for providing a very tasty lunch.

Our class parties have taken place this afternoon and the children were particularly excited that Father Christmas managed to take time out of his very busy schedule to visit us all! The children also thoroughly enjoyed Fred in the Shed this morning and were amazed at some of the magic tricks that he performed, particularly the one that involved me receiving a kiss from a platypus! Thank you to the PTA for funding this event.

Inset Days 2024

A reminder that school will be closed for staff training on the following dates in 2024:

Tuesday 2nd January 2024
Thursday 28th March 2024
Monday 3rd June 2024

School will also be closed on Monday 6th May 2024 which is a bank holiday.

Parent Interviews

Spring term parent interviews with the class teachers will take place after school on Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th March 2024. Later appointments will be available on Wednesday 13th and further details will follow next term.

Registration for September 2024

A final reminder that if you have a child who is five between 1st September 2024 and 31st August 2025 inclusive, or you have a child currently in Year 2, all admissions applications for Reception and Year 3 places for September 2024 need to be received by Surrey County Council by **15th January 2024**.

The Surrey Admissions team have asked us to remind you that applications received after the closing date, without good reason, will be treated as late and will not be considered until all on time applications have been processed. This may jeopardise the chance of parents being offered one of their preferred schools for their child. Surrey County Council admissions information leaflets are available from the school office and further information can be found on their website www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions.

If you should have any questions, please don't hesitate to email the school office: info@prior-heath.surrey.sch.uk.

End of Term

A reminder that school finishes at the earlier time of **2.00pm** tomorrow and we re-open for children on **Wednesday 3rd January 2024**.

Finally, on behalf of all of the staff at Prior Heath, I would like to thank you for the Christmas cards, gifts and best wishes that we have received. They are very much appreciated. I hope you have a wonderful Christmas and a happy and healthy new year.

With best wishes,



Mrs L. Chivers
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Friday	15 th December 2023	End of autumn term at 2.00pm – please note early closure
Tuesday	2nd January 2024	INSET Day – school closed for staff training
Wednesday	3rd January 2024	School re-opens for the spring term
Monday – Friday	12th to 16th February 2024	Half term
Wednesday	27 th March 2024	End of spring term at 2.00pm – please note early closure
Thursday	28th March 2024	INSET Day – school closed for staff training
Monday	15th April 2024	School re-opens for the summer term
Monday	6th May 2024	Bank Holiday – school closed
Monday – Friday	27th to 31st May 2024	Half term
Monday	3rd June 2024	INSET Day – school closed for staff training
Tuesday	23 rd July 2024	End of summer term at 2.00pm – please note early closure