



Priorsford Newsletter



December 2024

'Supporting each other to grow and learn together'

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to my December newsletter. As we approach and reflect on the end of term, we continue to be extremely proud of learning and achievements of all our learners at Priorsford. There has been so many highlights - where do I start?

Our Primary 1 and Primary 2 pupils performed a wonderful nativity 'Born in a Barn'. They did such a great job of acting, singing and narrating the Christmas story.

Our Christmas parties have been lots of fun and all year groups danced, played party games and had fun together. Our P6 & P7 classes have enjoyed a trip to the Eastgate theatre to watch Paddington in Peru.

It was a special time to join with Haylrude and Kingsland Primary schools at the Parish Church to sing together and think about the true meaning of Christmas. The pantomime 'Beauty and the Beast' was a big hit and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves - oh yes they did!!!

It has been lovely to have so many events that bring us altogether to celebrate this time of year.

May I take this opportunity to thank everyone for the great working partnership we have in our school community. Your continued support and engagement with all of our school events makes Priorsford a very special and happy place to be. The children love the opportunity to include their families and we hope you have enjoyed the festivities too.

As we come to the end of 2024, I cannot believe that this time last year I was just preparing to start at Priorsford - what a quick year it has been! I am looking forward to an exciting 2025!

I would like to wish you all a peaceful, happy holiday and a Merry Christmas to those who celebrate.

Susan Woodyer
Headteacher



Priorsford PTA

Christmas Fayre

Our PTA raised £4282.39 to support our school. Thank you to all the organisers, volunteers, bakers and those who made generous donations. It was a wonderful evening and so many stalls for everyone who came along to browse and buy. Everyone's contribution makes a huge difference. Well done!

Ceilidh

The next fundraiser is on Saturday 8th February in Peebles Burgh Hall from 6pm - 9pm. Please reserve tickets by emailing priorsfordptaevents@gmail.com. Family tickets are £25 for 2 adults & 2 children. & extra child £3. We are looking forward to an evening of entertainment, dancing and poems from our class Scot's poetry winners. With a live music from The Penny Drops Ceilidh Band and a scotch/macaroni pie included. Book now for a great family night out!

Taylor Swift

Another upcoming event is a Taylor Swift tribute act on Sunday 2nd March 2.15pm - 4pm. This will be in Peebles Burgh Hall and tickets are available now. If you would like a gift certificate then please let the PTA know using the email below.

Please send an email to reserve tickets if you would like to attend each of the upcoming events. Payment can be made after Christmas. The email address is:
priorsfordptaevents@gmail.com

Spending

Our PTA are so good at raising money it allows the school to spend on so many things that all the children benefit from.

So far the PTA have funded the Christmas prizes, gifts and refreshments for the parties. They have bought two SMARTboards that needed replaced in our classrooms. Every class has had £100 to spend on materials the children would like to have. The PTA have also paid for the Reading Ambassadors badges and lanyards this session. The food and prizes for our Christmas parties has been funded by the PTA as well as our trip to the Eastgate Theatre and the Pantomime of Beauty and the Beast in school. We are forever grateful for all the hard work of the PTA and their efforts to raise money for our school. THANK YOU!



Dates For Your Diary

Mon 6th Jan	Back to school for staff & pupils PGDE Student teacher in P3S with Mrs Scott - Miss Olivia Brunton (until 14th March)
Fri 10th Jan	Swimming lessons begin for P6W & P3/4D (6 week block) - Parent helpers required please.
Wed 15th Jan	P5 pupils - STEM challenge in school
Thurs 16th Jan	7pm - PTA Meeting online Teams Meeting ID: 381 536 838 101 Passcode: aA6zVr
Wed 22nd Jan	10am—12pm - P7 Sportshall Athletics at the Gytes with Mr Edge - Parent helpers required please.
Mon 27th Jan	Class Curriculum Overviews (Jan- June) to parents/ carers PGDE Student teacher in P2/3H with Mr Hilton - Miss Eve McDonald (until 7th March)
Tues 28th Jan	2.30pm—3.15pm Open Afternoon - Scots theme All parents/carers are invited to join the children in their class to share in their learning. Please enter via the main entrance to the school.
Thurs 30th Jan	2.30-3.15pm - Together Time for all the classes

Star Pupils



Pupil Achievements

Tweed Theatre - The Twits



Karate



Judo



Badminton



Swimming



Dancing



Squirrels



Peebles Round Table Helpers



Football



Piano



