



Newsletter – Friday, 12th June 2020 Issue 10

Welcome to this week's **Newsletter, Issue 10**

This newsletter brings you the usual reminders for contact along with some new information to keep you updated.

Social distancing

Please see the following extract from the Parent FAQ document, shared on a number of occasions. The excerpt confirms **the law** around social distancing. We have no room for movement on the application of **the law** and as such, will not hesitate to ask parents to remove their children from school if they are found to be not following these rules.

'What do we mean by social distancing at home?'

For your child to return to school, you must ensure that:

- ✓ *You have had no visitors inside your house (except for using a toilet). A visitor is anyone who does not live there.*
- ✓ *Your child does not visit the inside of another house (except for using the toilet)*
- ✓ *No more than 6 people gather in your garden, or another garden that you are in, at any time and you always stay at least 2m apart*
- ✓ *Your children are supervised when playing outside the boundaries of your property*
- ✓ *You and your child(ren) maintain a 2m distance between people from other households when away from your house*

'What if I am found to NOT be social distancing at home?'

In order to protect our pupils, staff and loved ones, it is vital that all children and their families observe the government guidance around social distancing. A condition of the risk assessment is that all pupils and staff will observe the guidance. We therefore trust that you will continue to observe government social distancing recommendations. Should we be made aware of any breaches of this (e.g. via parental concerns, pupil conversation, social media etc) we will ask your children to self-isolate (therefore not come to school) for a period of 14 days.

If needed, we will issue a Section 547 order (Education Act), meaning you cannot attend the school site for a period of 14 days. Please do not put us in this position.

We appreciate these rules are strict and as time moves on, they are becoming more difficult to abide by, but parents who are sending their children back to school, and staff who are coming into work every day deserve to know that the school environment is as safe as possible. Unfortunately, a small number of pupils are currently unable to attend school due to social distancing breaches and this policy will continue to be applied. If you are in any doubt whatsoever about what is or is not allowable, please contact the school and we can provide the information.



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Free School Meal Vouchers

We have contacted all parents who were in receipt of free school meal vouchers to inform them that this scheme will no longer run next week. Those parents wishing to order packed lunch hampers to pick up from school have now placed their orders. These packs will be available to pick up between 11am and 12pm on Mondays and then again at the same time on Thursdays. We will keep you updated via text if these times change.

Children's sessions in school- A polite reminder to all parents/carers- Due to ratios and staffing, please only bring your child/children in on the days you have booked them in. If you need any guidance on this, please speak to a member of staff in the school office.

Communication with school

The office continues to be open throughout the school day. Access to the school site is strictly limited so, we would ask that you use email and telephone as the main points of communication. Due to social distancing guidelines, we are unable to have visitors in school without a prior appointment. If you require an appointment, please ring the school office on 01909 478886.

Please continue to use the dedicated emails below-

1. **General enquiries:** queries you think the office can help with, including emails relating to Free School Meals, should be sent to: office@worksoppriory.snmat.org.uk
2. **Enquiries related to children's work:** queries for your child's teacher, or anything you wish to send into school for your child's teacher to see, should be sent to: teacher.enquiries@worksoppriory.snmat.org.uk
3. **IT related enquiries:** for example difficulty logging onto the Blog or Sumdog, etc, or password checks, should be sent to: it.enquiries@worksoppriory.snmat.org.uk (Please note that we are unable to mend laptops and other devices)

Attached with this week's newsletter is an important letter from our Chief Executive Officer, Chris Moodie. Please note the staff member that has tested positive for Covid-19 is not a member of the Staff team at Priory.

Have a lovely weekend!