

# The Priory Catholic Primary School

## September 2007 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome you all back to the start of a new academic year, and in particular to the parents of children who have joined The Priory School for the first time. I would also like to formally welcome our new members of staff – Mrs Grimes, our new Deputy, who is teaching Year 6, Miss Hayton, who is teaching Year 5, Miss Darby, who is teaching Year 4, and Miss Benzie, who is teaching the Reception class.



The new term is now underway, with the children settling down to work. After-school clubs for Key Stage 2 children will re-start next week. Please return your reply slips for your child's choice of clubs as soon as possible.

I have included details of Celebration Assemblies, Masses and Liturgies for this academic year, so that you all have as much advance notice of all of these in the hope that as many parents, grandparents etc. can attend these events as possible – everyone is most welcome to join us, and the children do enjoy knowing that you are there to support them.



I have also included the dates in May for all of this year's important tests. Please note that although up to a maximum of 10 days leave during school time is usually allowed in any one academic year, (so long as the appropriate forms are completed) **holidays during the test period will not be authorised**, as it is vital that the children are all in school at this time.

### Liturgical Life of the School

You should have already received your copy of the children's R.E. programme for this term – if you haven't received your copy, please ask at the office.



Our first Mass of this academic year will be in church next Wednesday (12<sup>th</sup>), at 9.30am, and you are most welcome to join us.

### Academic Life of the School

The children are all settling in well into their new year groups, with their new teachers, and starting on the year's curriculum. The children will start to bring home homework from next week onwards, so please encourage your children to show you their homework, and please support them with this, for example, help to practise weekly spellings with them.



### In and around school

I am very pleased to inform you that the lottery bid for the sensory garden/glass mosaic has been successful, and that we are about to be awarded the full amount of £9,000. Huge

thanks go to Mrs Dobney and Mrs Hemingray for all their hard work so far. I will inform you of the next stage of development as soon as possible.

Please note that school dinners now cost £1.85. The termly/half term costs for dinners are below:

	1 day	2 days	3 days	4 days	5 days
1 child	£1.85	£3.70	£5.55	£7.40	£9.25
2 children	£3.70	£7.40	£11.10	£14.80	£18.50

	Autumn Term 2007		Spring Term 2008		Summer Term 2008	
	1st half	2nd half	1st half	2nd half	1st half	2nd half
1 child	62.90	74.00	46.25	37.00	72.15	64.75
2 children	125.80	148.00	92.50	74.00	144.30	129.50

**Please make cheques payable to Notts County Council.**

We have had several cases where children have been changed from dinners to sandwiches or vice-versa without notice, which causes huge problems for lunchtime staff. Please ensure that you let Miss Henderson know if you are changing from dinners to sandwiches, or vice-versa.

Please ensure that all of your child's uniform and belongings are labelled with their name, so that they can be easily located if lost.

In closing...

Please remember that if you have any queries or concerns, don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Rosemary Jones

**Autumn 2007 term dates**

**September**

Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup>	FHC parish programme	3.45pm
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>	After school clubs start this week	
	FHC school programme	3.45pm
Wed. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Mass in church	9.30am
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	Photographs – individual	
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup>	Travel Plan meeting	6.30pm
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Mass	9.30am

**October**

Fri. 19 <sup>th</sup>	INSET	
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup>	FHC	3.45pm
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	Rosary Liturgy	9.30am
	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	FHC	3.45pm
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Liturgy	9.30am

Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening	
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening	
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Liturgy	9.30am
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	INSET	

Half term week 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> October

### November

Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup>	All Saints Mass	9.30am
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	FHC	3.45pm

### December

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Last week for after school clubs this term	
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	New Reception taster	9.15 -1.00pm
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	New Reception taster	11.30 – 3.30pm
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	Final Dress Rehearsal KS1 Nativity Performance	2.00pm
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Nativity Performance	7.00pm
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Nativity Performance	2.00pm
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	Sing for Santa	3.00pm
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	Mass	9.30am
	Advent Liturgy	2.30pm
	Last day of Autumn term	

## Spring 2008 term dates

### January 2008

Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	First day back	
	FHC	3.45pm
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>	FHC	3.45pm
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	After school clubs restart this week	
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Mass	9.30am
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	School Council	12.45pm
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup>	NFER test week Y2-6	
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	FHC	3.45pm
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Liturgy	9.30am

### February

Fri 1 <sup>st</sup>	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup>	FHC and preparation meeting	3.15pm
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening	
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening	
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Mass	9.30am
	11 <sup>th</sup> - 15 <sup>th</sup> February = half term	

Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	FHC	3.45pm
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Stations of the Cross Church Service	9.30am

### March

Sat 1 <sup>st</sup>	FHC	3.45pm
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	Mass	9.30am

## Summer 2008 term dates

Mon 31 <sup>st</sup>	First day back FHC	3.45pm
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### April

Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup>	FHC	3.45pm
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	After school clubs restart this week	
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Mass	9.30am
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	INSET	
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Mass	9.30am
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup>	KS2 Mass	9.30am
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	Photographs – class	

### May

Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Marian Liturgy	9.30am
	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	FHC	3.45pm
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 SATs week	
	FHC	3.45pm
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> - Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Briars residential weekend	
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 SATs/QCA Yrs 3,4,&5/NFER Yr 1 week	
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	Year 4 Liturgy	9.30am
	26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> May = half term	

### June

Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET	
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup>	First Holy Communion Mass	10.15am
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup>	FHC	3.45pm
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Liturgy	9.30am
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	Mass of Thanksgiving for FHC	9.30am
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup>	Summer Fair	
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day morning	
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup>	New Parents Evening	7.00pm

### July

Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	KS2 performance (Yrs 3, 4 & 5)	2.00pm
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup>	KS2 performance	7.00pm
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Beaumanor residential visit	
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	New Reception taster	9.15 – 1.00pm
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup>	New Reception taster	11.30 – 3.30pm
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly	2.50pm
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	Leaver's Mass	9.30am
	Leaver's Service	2.30pm
	Last day of term for children	
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup>	INSET	