2023 - 2024 Priestley Post (07.06.2024)



Term 6

After having spoken to some of you on the playground, it seems to be a shared belief that this year is flying by, and here we are starting Term Six – with so much still to do.

As you can see in the Diary at the end of this edition of the Post, this is going to be a busy term – lots of learning to be undertaken, and experiences to be had; whether that's going on trips, having visitors, or taking part in school-based activities. For Year 6s, this is an

exciting last term of primary school, one which they can look back on not only with enjoyment, but with pride too – having set a fantastic example to the rest of the school.

2024 - 25 Transition

To help prepare the children for next year, the children will be moving to their new classes for the week 15 – 19 July (the last complete week). This will ensure that the children have an opportunity to be well prepared for next year, and so they (and you) can enjoy the summer break knowing what lies ahead. For the last three days (22 – 24 July) they will return to their current class to have some closure on the present year, and to celebrate all they have achieved. For children in Reception to Year 5, this will include a Priestley and Proud afternoon (Monday, 22 July). For the Priestley and Proud events, please make sure you bring in a carrier bag so that you can take home your children's books – always great to keep as family history.

Priestley 250 Event

Talking of history, this year is the 250th anniversary of oxygen being isolated in the laboratory at Bowood House by Dr Joseph Priestley, and, to celebrate, we are going to be holding an all-day event on Friday, 28 June 2024.

More information will be coming to you in a letter next week, but there will be an opportunity for you to join in at the end of the school day.

We are having another non-uniform day on Wednesday, 26 June – for which we are asking for donations of cakes and bottles to help support the celebrations.

Uniform

Please make sure that the children wear appropriate uniform, even though we are getting to the summer months. Additionally, as the sun has started to make occasional appearances, it is a good idea to make sure the children have a hat and sun-cream with them. Please can we also remind you that the children should always bring in their own named water bottle, and that it should be filled with water only - no squash or juice, please. Thank you.

The Last Day of Term

The last day of the school year will be on Wednesday, 24 July and the children will finish at **1.30pm**.

We hope you and the children enjoy this exciting term and make the most of the opportunities that are on offer – making sure that all they we do shows who we are – Priestley and Proud.

Take care
Luke Coles - Interim Headteacher

Diary Dates	
June	
Date	Activity
7	Whole School – Non-uniform Day – to support Joseph Priestley
	Anniversary Celebrations
Week	Year 6 - Bikeability
Commencing 10	
10	Years 5 & 6 – Swimming – Extra sessions for selected pupils
12	Kids Day out Longleat – Invited EAL
14	Whole School – Class Photos
17	EYFS In School Experience
17	Years 5 & 6 – Swimming - Extra sessions for selected pupils
20	Years 3 & 4 - Crocodile World
21	Years 5 & 6 - Techniquest
24	Years 5 & 6 – Swimming - Extra sessions for selected pupils
25	Year 5 Taster Day Abbeyfield School
26	Whole School – Non-Uniform Day
28	Whole School – Priestley 250 Day Details to Follow
July	
Date	Activity
1	School Closed to Children – School Development Day
2	Year 6 - Transition Day at Kingsbury Green Academy (KGA)
2	EYFS Welcome Evening 5pm
Week	The Last Week of Clubs
Commencing 8	
8	Years 5 & 6 – Swimming - Extra sessions for selected pupils
11	Year 5 - Taster Day KGA
12	Whole School – Reports to Parents
Week	Wholes School - New Classes Transition
Commencing 15	
16	Year 6 – Production Afternoon Performance
17	Year 6 – Production Evening Performance
22	Priestley & Proud Afternoon Years R-5
22 & 23	Year 6 - KGA Transition Summer School
24	Year 6 - Back in School for Leavers Assembly and
	Priestley & Proud
24	Whole School - End of Year, finish at 1.30pm
25 & 26	Year 6 - KGA Transition Summer School