

Newsletter - Autumn Issue 1

7th September 2026

Headteacher Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to Priestmead. I hope you all had a lovely summer and were able to enjoy some time to relax and recharge before the new school year began.

Before we look ahead, I also wanted to say a heartfelt thank you for the many thoughtful gifts, cards and messages given to staff at the end of the summer term. They were incredibly kind and very much appreciated by everyone.

It has been fantastic to welcome our children back to school this week. Years 1-6 have settled back into their routines brilliantly, and there has been such a positive atmosphere across the school. We have also loved welcoming our new Reception children, and our Nursery children are beginning their first Stay & Play sessions this week. Seeing our youngest children starting their Priestmead journey is always very special.

Thank you also to everyone who attended our Meet the Teacher sessions for Year 1-6 today. It was lovely to see so many families and to share some of the key information for the year ahead. If you were unable to attend, the information is available on our school website.

The beginning of a new academic year also gives us an opportunity to reflect on the successes of the year just gone. Our outcomes continue to be very strong and remain above nation figures across the school. We are incredibly proud to be a high-performing school academically, while continuing to place equal importance on children being happy, confident and supported to flourish. These achievements are a real team effort between our children, staff and families, and something we can all be very proud of.

There are also lots of exciting developments ahead this year. Many of you will have seen the building works taking place for our new Little Pegasus Nursery, and later this month we will be welcoming our first two-year-olds to Priestmead. This is a really exciting addition to our school and will allow us to support children and families from an even earlier stage.

We are also delighted to welcome Aktiva, our new wraparound provider, who will be working alongside the school to develop, expand and enhance our breakfast and after-school provision for families.

There is so much to look forward to this year, and we are excited to continue working in partnership with you to make sure every child has the very best possible experience at Priestmead.

Best wishes,

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Mrs Amy Creamer
Associate Headteacher

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Start the day with fun at...
Breakfast Club

Aktiva Camps offers Breakfast Clubs for children whose parents and carers require an earlier drop off.

- We provide a healthy breakfast of cereals, toasts and milk for those children who attend.
- A range of activities are on offer including board games, colouring, Lego and many more fun games.
- At the end of the session, the Aktiva Team will take the children to their classes ready for the day ahead.

OPEN FROM 7.30am*
* For individual school timings check website

MONDAY to FRIDAY on school sites



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End the day with adventure at...
After School Club

Aktiva Camps provides multi-choice, multi-activity after school care for children between nursery and year 6 in a safe, fun and friendly environment.

- The Aktiva Team will collect your child from their classroom and take them to the After School Club area.
- Children will be offered a choice of sports, dance, drama, arts and craft activities, along with other games.
- Aktiva provides children with a healthy snack during their sessions. Children help us choose the menu and assist in preparing the food.
- Parents and carers are welcome to collect their child at a time that suits them. If you wish, call the site telephone when you are 5 minutes away and the site manager will ensure your child is ready.

OPEN UNTIL 6.00pm

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Parent & Carer Support

As the Family-Focus Coordinator, my role is to support you and work towards removing barriers and creating an environment where our children can thrive!

Please do contact me if you feel that you would like to talk about:

Parenting
Financial difficulties
Attendance concerns
Liaising between school and home
Your child's additional learning needs
Self-care and wellbeing
Being new to English



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Date	Parent Tea & Chat Sessions
03.09.26	No Session
10.09.26	Health & Wellbeing
17.09.26	No Session
24.09.26	Setting Boundaries
01.10.26	Consistent Discipline
08.10.26	Effective Communication
15.10.26	Modelling Behaviour

Join Our Official Whatsapp Channel

To keep up with the ever-changing social media landscape, we've added a new WhatsApp channel (one-way communication) to keep you informed about Priestmead events, dates and reminders.

Click here or scan QR code to follow us:
https://whatsapp.com/channel/0029Vb4jZppHbFVF2zJxrx2x

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Don't forget to turn on notifications!
Please note email and our newsletter will remain our primary communication channels

You can also follow us on our other platforms
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AUTUMN TERM CALENDAR 2026

September 2026

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	7	8	9	10	11
2	8.50am – 9.30am Y1-Y6 Meet the Team & Teachers (parents/ carers invited) *Music Tuition starts from today*	K-Kwondo (external club) starts from today	3.35pm-4.30pm SEND Parent Phone Calls with class teacher	4B & 4J Swimming Lessons	
	14	15	16	17	18
3	*Reception Full Time from today*	**Parent Workshop** 8.50am-9.30am: Phonics Workshop EYFS & Y1 Parents/ Carers invited		4B & 4J Swimming Lessons	**Parent Workshop** 8.50am-9.30am: Y4 MTC Workshop Parents/Carers invited
	21	22	23	24	25
4		**Parent Workshop** 8.50am-9.30am: Relationships and Health Education (RHE) Workshop Parents/Carers invited		4B & 4J Swimming Lessons	8.50am **6A Class Assembly** (parents/carers invited Athens Hall)
	28	29	30	1	2
5	*School Led extended clubs Start from today*	Y6 Regent Park Mosque Visit		4B & 4J Swimming Lessons Y2 Local Area Walk Pegasus Pizza Day	Individual School Photo Day All Children to Wear school uniform **(NO PE KITS)** PPA Movie Night TBC

October 2026

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	5	6	7	8	9
6	*YR—Y6 Flu Vaccination (consent required)*	Y5 Southall Gurdwara Visit Y1 Kenton Library Visit (1D)	Y1 Kenton Library Visit (1O)	4B & 4J Swimming Lessons Y3 Kenton Library Visit (class tbc)	Y1 Kenton Library Visit (1S) 8.50am **6C Class Assembly** (parents/carers invited Athens Hall)
	12	13	14	15	16
7		Y3 Kenton Library Visit (class tbc)	Y1 Kenton Library Visit (1J) Y4 Local Area Visit	4B & 4J Swimming Lessons Y3 Kenton Library Visit (class tbc)	Y3 Kenton Library Visit (class tbc) 8.50am **6S Class Assembly** (parents/carers invited Athens Hall)
	19	20	21	22	23
8			Early School Closure 1:30pm (Nursery Closed All Day) 2pm—8pm Parents Meeting Day/Evening	*Half-Term*	*Half-Term*

HALF TERM 22ND OCTOBER 2026 —2ND NOVEMBER 2026
Children return on Wednesday 4th November 2026

AUTUMN TERM CALENDAR 2026

November 2026

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	2	3	4	5	6
1	School Closed	School Closed Staff Development Day 3	Back to School	4B & 4J Swimming Lessons Year 1 Trip Headstone Manor Museum x 2 classes **PPA School Fireworks 5pm-7pm**	
	9	10	11	12	13
2		Year 3 Trip Hare Krishna Temple Visit	Remembrance Day	4B & 4J Swimming Lessons Year 1 Trip Headstone Manor Museum x 2 classes	8.50am **6T Class Assembly** (parents/carers invited Athens Hall)
	16	17	18	19	20
3	Odd Socks Day for Anti Bullying week Catch Up Flu Clinic	Year 4 Trip Roald Dahl Museum x 2 Classes Y6 Suffragettes Workshop	Y6 Suffragettes Workshop	4B & 4J Swimming Lessons	Children In Need NON-UNIFORM DAY 8.50am **2P Class Assembly** (parents/carers invited Athens Hall)
	23	24	25	26	27
4		Year 4 Trip Roald Dahl Museum x 2 Classes		4B & 4J Swimming Lessons	8.50am **2T Class Assembly** (parents/carers invited Athens Hall)

December 2026

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	30	1	2	3	4
5				4B & 4J Swimming Lessons	PPA XMAS TOY DONATION Non Uniform Day 8.50am **2O Class Assembly** (parents/carers invited Athens Hall)
	7	8	9	10	11
6			Nursery, Reception & Year 1 Early Phase Concert 9am or 2pm Parent/Carers invited	4B & 4J Swimming Lessons	**PPA Christmas Fair Day** Children can bring in Money up £10
	14	15	16	17	18
7		Rainbow Panto Trip Snow White	Harrow HAF Winter Wonderland Details TBC	4B & 4J Swimming Lessons Christmas Party Day & Dave the Children Xmas Jumper Day	Last Day of Term Early School Closure Gates Open 1.15pm to 1.30pm

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Monday 21st December 2026 to Monday 4th January 2027

School Starts Tuesday 5th January 2027