



# Newsletter

22/05/26 Summer Issue 3

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Dear Prior Weston families,

As we come to the end of the first half of the Summer term, I would like to thank our whole school community for a busy and successful half term. It has been wonderful to see so many enriching opportunities for our children, including Year 4's residential visit to Condover Hall, the continuation of swimming lessons, and the return of class assemblies, which have been a real highlight. Alongside this, there has been so much more happening across the school, with children showing enthusiasm, resilience and kindness in all they do. We are incredibly proud of their achievements and look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for an exciting second half of the Summer term.

### Run Prior Weston Run – back for 2026!

I am delighted to share that we will once again be taking part in *Run Prior Weston Run* this summer. This was such a fantastic community event last year, bringing together children, families and staff – and raising vital funds for our school.

Thanks to your incredible support previously, we were able to develop our Forest School provision, giving all children access to rich outdoor learning experiences. We would love to build on this success again this year.

The event will take place on **Sunday 28th June, from 10:00am–12:00pm at Highbury Fields**. It is a fun and inclusive run for all children, with distances suitable for every age group, and a real sense of celebration on the day. Every child who takes part receives a medal, but most importantly, they are contributing to something that benefits the whole school community.

You can sign your child up by completing this form:

 <https://forms.gle/n6y42yHtZioceAFe7>

Please do sign up early and help us make this another brilliant whole-school event. We need 80 children to take part from Prior Weston Nursery to Year 6 to unlock the £5K of charity funding. We also need children to get sponsorship for their own individual runs -this will follow after the half term.

Wishing you all a safe and happy half term.

Fiona 😊

Head Teacher

**Save the date! Sunday 28th June**

# RUN KIDS RUN



## Dates for your Diary

<b>May 2026</b>	
Monday 25th - Friday 29th May	Half Term Holiday
<b>June 2026</b>	
Friday 12th June	Piccadilly Class Assembly @ 9.15am
Monday 15th June	Debate It! Houses of Parliament Trip
Tuesday 16th June	Music Masters Year 6 Graduation celebration lunch
Friday 19th June	St Pauls Class Assembly @ 9.15am
Tuesday 23rd June	Music Masters Pathways National Gallery Workshop day
Wednesday 24th June	Year 4 Platform Cricket Tournament @ Caledonia Park
Thursday 25th June	Tempest Class Photographs
Sunday 28th June	Run Prior Weston Run! from 10:00am–12:00pm at Highbury Fields.
<b>July 2026</b>	
Thursday 2nd July	Secondary Transition Day
Monday 6th July	Y1-Y6 sports day at HAC TBC
Tuesday 7th July	Music Masters Summer Concert
Thursday 9th July	Year 6 Production 5pm
Friday 10th July	Year 6 Sleepover
Friday 17th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 17th July	End of Summer Term - 2pm finish

## Year 1 Instrument Lessons from September 2026

In year 1 and 2, every child at Prior Weston learns to play either the violin or cello.

For both instruments, the structure of the lessons will be very similar. The main difference is a practical one; the cello is a larger instrument to store at home and carry around (although cello cases have straps to make them portable), so please bear this in mind.

Please let us know which instrument you would like your child to learn by **Friday 5th June** by completing the online form link or scanning the QR code below.

<https://priorwestoninstrumentchoice.questionpro.com/>



## Year 2 Instrument Lessons from September 2026

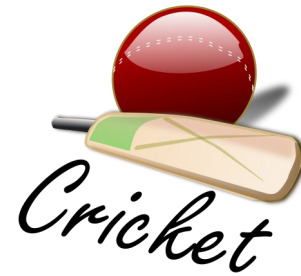
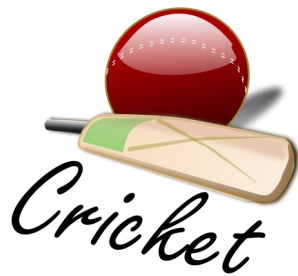
Please let us know whether or not your child would like to continue learning their instrument with Music Masters in Key Stage 2 by **Tuesday 9th June** by completing the online form link or scanning the QR code below.

<https://form.jotform.com/MusicMasters/year-3-sign-up>



If you have any queries or concerns relating to the programme or the parent contribution, please contact [programmes@musicmasters.org.uk](mailto:programmes@musicmasters.org.uk) or call us on

**0203 643 5085.**



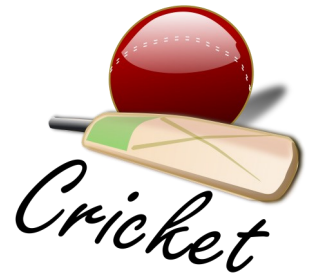
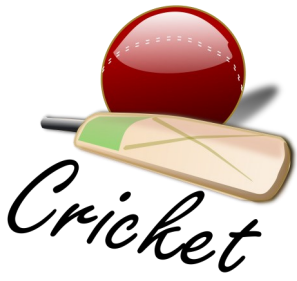
## Year 5/6 Cricket Tournament

The Year 5/6 girls' cricket team were outstanding during their matches, displaying excellent communication, confidence and determination from start to finish. They supported each other brilliantly and worked hard in every game, earning themselves a place in the finals on Friday. The team should be extremely proud of the effort and enthusiasm they showed throughout the competition.

The Year 5/6 boys' cricket team impressed with their strong batting, sharp fielding and positive attitude on the pitch. They remained focused and resilient in some very competitive games, and their dedication paid off as they successfully reached the Finals! It has been a fantastic achievement and a reward for all of their hard work and commitment.

Please see some pictures of the event below on the next page.





## Year 5/6 Cricket Tournament





## We are a Nut-Free School!



We are committed to maintaining a safe environment for all pupils, staff, and visitors. As an Allergy Aware School, we prioritize the health and safety of those with food allergies. Nuts can potentially be life-threatening for individuals with allergies, and your cooperation is essential in helping us ensure a safe space for everyone.



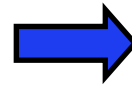
### How You Can Help?

1. **Check Ingredients:** Always review the ingredients list on any food items your child brings to school for lunch or snacks to ensure they are nut-free.
2. **Nut-Safe Donations:** When contributing food for school events or birthdays, please make sure the items are nut-safe and accompanied by a clear ingredients list.
3. **Hand Hygiene:** Encourage your children to wash their hands thoroughly before entering the classroom if they have come into contact with nut products outside of school.
4. **Education and Awareness:** Talk to your children about the importance of being mindful of allergies and the need to respect their classmates' health needs.

**Thank you for your support in keeping our school community safe for everyone!**

## Please help us keep Golden Lane Campus safe!

### Safe Parking for Prams - Safe Passage for All

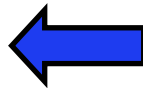


We are committed to maintaining a safe environment for all pupils, staff, and visitors. This means keeping evacuation routes clear and clutter-free at all times.

Please put small fold-up buggies in the top compartments in the Pram Park.

Please ensure prams that cannot be folded, are tucked into the bottom compartments. If these are full, please tuck prams and buggies in as far as possible.

Please, **No Parking** in front of any doors or electrical cupboards.



### Phone-free School!

Please keep our school community tech-safe by ensuring you are not using your phone inside the Campus.

Please pop it in your pocket when you pop into the school!

### Safe Scooter Use in the Building



We love that so many of the children are coming to school by scooter and bikes, especially as the weather and light gets better and better.

Please help us keep the building safe for everyone by ensuring that all bike-riders and/or scooter-riders dismount before coming down the Fortune Park ramp and bikes and scooters are walked into and out of the building when it is necessary for them to be brought inside.





## Hot Weather and Clothing Advice



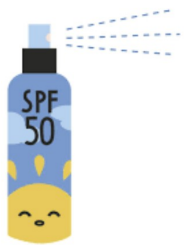
Please see the advice below to ensure that we keep all children safe and comfortable in the upcoming hot weather.

- ◆ Footwear should be flat and ideally covering toes for safety reasons.

- ◆ **Crocs** (or similar), slippers, open toed sandals, flip flops and high heeled shoe should NOT be worn. These are a trip hazard.

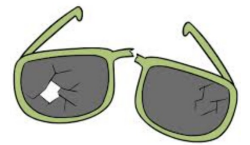


- ◆ To avoid the risk of sunburn, tops should cover the shoulders (so NO strappy tops). Some playgrounds have little shade.



- ◆ Provide a hat and apply sun crem. If you send sun cream in, remember it has to be labelled with your child's name and cannot be shared. Spray creams are the easiest to apply.

- ◆ Avoid sunglasses for children as they can break easily and also get lost.



- ◆ Trousers, jogging bottoms or shorts must be fitted at the waist and not showing their underwear.

- ◆ Skirts, shorts and dresses should be no shorter than mid thigh length and we ask that children cover their bodies, no crop tops please.



- ◆ Please provide your child with a bottle for water, which can be refilled on site.

Thank you for your support.



Dear Prior Weston families,

I'm writing to introduce myself as the Education Support Practitioner for Islington South and the link worker for Prior Weston. My role is to support young people and families in the area to ensure that everyone is getting access to the educational assistance they need. What this means in practice will be different on a case-by-case basis, but I can provide information, advice and guidance on anything from SEND to behaviour to attendance issues. I can also signpost you to other services that the council offers from money management advice to parenting classes and childcare support. If you aren't sure whether there is something that I can support you with, then please do get in touch and I can either give you the help you need or point you in the right direction.

If you have any questions, I have left my contact details below and I'm more than happy to respond to any issues.

All the best

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### Dates

**Wednesday 10th June**

**Tuesday 23rd June**

**Tuesday 7th July**



## Helmet Donations



The Children's Centre are in need of any **helmets** for bicycles or scooters that you may no longer want or need. If you do have any that you would be happy to donate, please drop them off at reception. They would be very grateful.



## Free toothpaste!



We all know how important oral health is and to celebrate and support this, there is now a box in the entrance where you can find free toothpaste for your children. Please help yourself to one toothpaste for each child so there is enough for everyone. These were donated to the school for our families to encourage a healthy oral health care routine in children as early as possible.



## Prior Weston book table



Do not forget that we have our wonderful book table in the entrance for all families. If you have appropriate children's books to donate, please bring them to the reception desk and we will ensure that they get displayed on the table for people to take. If you see a book that you or your child likes, please help yourself and enjoy your story time. Thank you to all the wonderful families that have already donated books for other families to share and enjoy!



## Bikes and Scooters Security



Please remember to secure any bikes or scooters left in the bike parking area with a chain or padlock. We do not want anything going missing. Anything left in this area is done so at the owners own risk. School cannot be responsible for any losses or damages to property left in this area or within the school. Please do not leave any bikes or scooters in the bike park at weekends or over the holidays as this area is unsecure and encourages intruders on to the site.



## Spare coats and shoes



Inside the foyer of the Fortune Park entrance, there is a cupboard where families can donate or take jackets and coats for their children or for themselves. There are also spare shoes. Please have a look and see if there are any that will fit your child or you before you head off to the expensive shops to buy them.

### Board Books Donation



We're looking to add to our collection of board books in the EYFS and the ARP and would be very grateful for any donations of books your family no longer needs.

We're particularly interested in number or counting stories, but we're happy to receive any board books.

Thank you for your support!  
Rachel and Jess





## Extended Day Programme



### Extended Day

Our Extended Day provision is currently compiled of Early Birds breakfast club, Night Owls after school club, Enrichment clubs and Holiday play-schemes.

### Opening Times

Monday to Friday (term time only) – excluding bank holidays and school INSET days.

Early Birds Breakfast Club; **8:00am – 8:45am**

Night Owls Afterschool Club; **3:30pm – 6:00pm**

### Parentmail

All booking and payments for Early Birds and Night Owls can be made directly through our Parentmail booking form or alternatively you can contact the extended day coordinator directly via email; [Extendedday@priorweston.islington.sch.uk](mailto:Extendedday@priorweston.islington.sch.uk).

Please note, we do require at least 2 working days' notice before bookings can be processed.

If you have an emergency situation and you need your child to attend either of our extended day options at short notice, we are very happy to allocate you a space but you will incur an emergency fee. This can also be booked directly via Parentmail or email but please inform a member of staff beforehand. Please be aware that if all of our allocated spaces are taken we may not be able to accept any further short-notice bookings.

### Early Birds breakfast club

To start the day off in the right way we offer a fantastic breakfast club! Early birds breakfast is **open from 8am** for children in Reception to Year 6. Your child can get involved with crafts, art, sports or games in addition to eating a healthy breakfast to prepare themselves for the school day at 8:45am. The cut off time for breakfast is **8:35am** and the **last drop offs are at 8:40am** to give the children enough time to prepare for the busy day ahead.

### Night Owls after school club

At Prior Weston, Night Owl's is our after school provision for children whose parents are unable to make the usual pick up time.

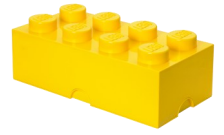
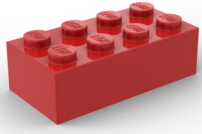
We have a bustling range of exciting, focused and also less structured activities for the Night Owls to take part in.

We are committed to providing this service not only to help support families but to also enrich our children's day outside of normal school hours.

The sessions run from **3:30pm till 6pm**, with pick up any time before 6pm.

Although, we do provide hot food and snacks at around **4:45**, so pick up just before or just after is recommended

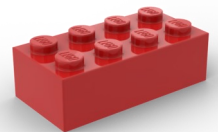
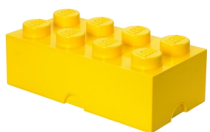




## Lego club update

In Lego Club this week, the children explored new ways to build and design using the *Brickit* app alongside our Lego sets. The app helped spark their imagination by suggesting creative ideas and showing how to use pieces in new and exciting ways. It was wonderful to see their creativity flourish as they combined digital inspiration with hands-on building!

If you'd like to try it at home, you can find the app here: <https://brickit.app/> - it's a fun way to encourage creativity and make the most of your Lego collection.



## Celebration Assembly

8th May 2026

Our shining stars were:

**Barbican** - Kai & Omar

**St Pauls** - Jamal & Karim

**Piccadilly** - Adam & Asiya

**Kew** - Dawud & Nuriyah

**Parliament** - Jean-Luc & Marco

**Tower** - Zara & Elnathan

**Westminster** - Mohamed & Said

## Celebration Assembly

15th May 2026

Our shining stars were:

**Barbican** - Mohammed & Lewis

**St Pauls** - Nathan & Aarish

**Piccadilly** - Emiliia & Jannat

**Kew** - Seanna I & Angelo

**Parliament** - Maysa & Khalid

**Tower** - Brooke & Kilson

**Westminster** - Ismail & Joshua

**This week's Shining Stars results to be announced today. See next edition.**

### Weather appropriate clothing

As we move slowly towards the Summer, the weather can change on a daily basis. Please send your child in with the appropriate clothing and footwear for the weather each day. As the weather gets hotter, please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school with them, especially when they are going out on trips.

As more children start to wear layers of clothes, please ensure these are labelled by sewing or sticking in a name tag or writing your child's name in them, This will help to identify the owners of any lost items a lot easier and quicker. The lost property boxes are in the Fortune Park entrance foyer.

### Issues in Fortune Park

With the days finally getting longer and the weather slowly getting warmer, you may well be spending more time outdoors and in the park. As with any issues that might occur externally, please do note whilst we will support where we can, the school does not have the capacity to manage disagreements that may take place in Fortune Park. If you do experience issues, you may wish to contact the parks or community police directly. To report antisocial behaviour, you may find the following link useful:

<https://www.islington.gov.uk/physical-activity-parks-and-trees/parks-and-green-space/managing-parks-and-green-space/tell-us-about-a-problem-in-a-park>



## Lovely Letter



### 8th May 2026

The lovely letter goes to Year 2

#### Dylan

DYLAN, IF I COULD DESCRIBE YOU IN 5 WORDS IT WOULD BE RESPECTFUL, GENEROUS, CARING, IMAGINATIVE AND SAFE.

YOU ARE ALWAYS RESPECTFUL, WHETHER THAT IS IN CLASS OR IN THE PLAYGROUND. YOU ARE ALWAYS SAYING HELLO TO EVERY ADULT YOU WALK PAST AND ALWAYS ENSURING THAT EVERY CHILD IN CLASS HAS EVERYTHING THEY NEED.

YOU ARE GENEROUS, YOU GIVE UP YOUR OWN TIME TO HELP OTHERS, YOU ARE ALWAYS TIDYING UP EVERYONE'S TABLE, YOU ARE ALWAYS GIVING OTHER CHILDREN THE LAST OF SOMETHING.

YOU ARE CARING, EVERY DAY YOU ARE ALWAYS ASKING HOW I AM AND YOU ALWAYS SHOW HOW MUCH THE CLASS MEANS TO YOU BY ENSURING EVERYONE IS OKAY AROUND YOU.

YOUR IMAGINATION IS SPECTACULAR, YOUR STORY TELLING IS INCREDIBLE AND I LOVE HEARING ALL THE IDEAS AND STORIES YOU HAVE COME UP WITH.

FINALLY, YOU ARE ALWAYS SAFE. SAFE IN CLASS, SAFE IN THE PLAYGROUND, SAFE EVERYWHERE. YOU ALSO KEEP YOUR FRIENDS SAFE.

DYLAN, YOU ARE AN INCREDIBLE LITTLE BOY WHO ALWAYS DOES THE RIGHT THING. YOU ARE AN AMAZING ROLE-MODEL TO EVERYONE. I AM SO LUCKY I GET TO BE YOUR TEACHER AND I'M EXTREMELY PROUD OF YOU!

### 15th May 2026

The lovely letter goes to Year 4

#### Myla

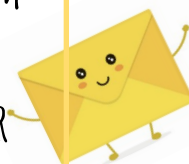
I WOULD LIKE TO AWARD THIS LOVELY LETTER TO A TRULY WONDERFUL STUDENT WHO IS A FANTASTIC ROLE MODEL TO EVERYONE AROUND HER.

MYLA, YOU ARE ALWAYS TRYING TO DO THE RIGHT THING, YOU SHOW GENUINE KINDNESS AND RESPECT TO BOTH ADULTS AND YOUR PEERS, AND YOU BRING SUCH A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TO OUR CLASSROOM EVERY DAY.

I AM ESPECIALLY IMPRESSED BY YOUR "GIVE IT A GO" MINDSET AND THE WAY YOU LISTEN TO AND ACT ON FEEDBACK SO THOUGHTFULLY.

I AM INCREDIBLY PROUD OF THE HARD WORK, MATURITY, AND KINDNESS YOU SHOW EACH DAY.

WELL DONE!



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IN NEED**

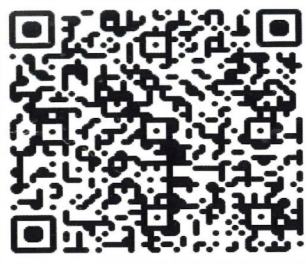
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## Hot Chocolate with the Head Teacher



**Mizzan: Tower** - It has been a joy to see how hard Mizzan works in all areas of her learning. She quietly gets on with whatever is asked of her, will encourage others when needed and is a fantastic friend too. Her effort and positive outlook is going to ensure she goes far in life!

**Joshua: Westminster** - Joshua works hard and diligently in all lessons and constantly wants to challenge himself and achieve his goals. He works hard to be respectful to adults and is able to reflect on situations more effectively now. Well done on your improved consistency



## Hot Chocolate with the Head Teacher



### **Roman: Barbican -**

You show so much care and respect to everyone in class and around the school. You make sure you follow instructions and are very proud of yourself whenever you get praised. It is such a delight having you in Year 1 and I'm sure that you will continue being a good role model to others. Well done, Roman!

### **Alex: St. Pauls -**

I have always been so impressed with your exceptional behaviour all year. You are always doing the right thing and supporting others in the classroom. You are always well mannered and have been extremely focused in all lessons! You are a great role model to others in the class. Well done Alex!

### **Eliana: Piccadilly -**

I am so impressed with how well mannered you are towards both adults and children in the class. You follow instructions and try your best to get things right. The delight that you show on your face is fantastic to see. Well done!

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**10AM-12PM**

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## YEAR 6 SECONDARY TRANSITION WORKSHOP

PARENT/CARER  
WORKSHOP

**MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 9.00AM**

Liliya from the School wellbeing team will be presenting this workshop about the transition from Year 6 to Secondary and will cover:

- ✔ TRANSITIONS AND WHY THEY ARE SOMETIMES DIFFICULT
- ✔ EXPLORE COMMON WORRIES FOR CHILDREN & PARENTS WHEN MOVING SCHOOLS
- ✔ UNDERSTANDING WHAT ANXIETY IS
- ✔ SUGGESTIONS OF PRACTICAL TIPS AND ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD



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