Primrose Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter



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From our Head Teacher — This week has been a blur of activity with lots going on. We began the

week with an assembly about Remembrance Day with the children having lots of knowledge and thoughtful contributions about why we remember this day. Diwali also began this week with many of our families celebrating. We hope you had a wonderful time. In assembly, I spoke to the children about 'using their words' during lunchtime so the lunchtime staff know exactly what the children want. If you have a young child, it would be good to practise this at home. **Robin**



Neil Griffiths' Workshop

We enjoyed a day of reading on Tuesday when Neil Griffiths (Ex-Head Teacher and Author) came to share his love of reading with us. He led an inspiring assembly...check out him making Mitch a tree...where Heather and Ardiana had to imitate an

itchy bear and Marianne, Lee, Sandra and I had to have an Apple Crunching Competition...as he brought his own stories to life. He also led some training for staff as well as an informative session for parents and carers about reading with your child. If you attended one of those sessions, it would be helpful if you could provide us with some feedback. Email us or drop a note in.



We will continue to celebrate improvement in our children's punctuality and attendance. Being in school regularly does have an impact on their learning ...

Best Class Attendance this week was 99.37% achieved by 3M Best Class Punctuality with 0 lates was 1J

Congratulations to everyone involved!

Remember Parent Consultations

The EYFS will be closed on Wednesday 25th November all day. For Years 1-6, the school will close at 1:30 and you will need to make arrangements to collect your children early, at 1.30 pm. A big thank you to Tania for helping out in the office this week to make sure the appointment process runs smoothly.

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Paperless Newsletter

Thank you to those of you who responded interested in 'going paperless' for the newsletter. Clever llirjana in the office has found an even better way to send the newsletter to you. You will receive a Text with a link to the website page of this week's newsletter which you can read at your leisure. As you know, the newsletter is always uploaded to the website each week anyway so this is a good way of promoting it electronically. We will continue printing the newsletter in paper for the rest of this term, but from January......we're going paperless! We will of course provide some paper copies near the office if you wish to pop in and collect one. I think our new Eco-Warriors will be super proud!

Shakespeare for Schools Performance

Kate has been hard at work with the cast and crew of A Midsummer Night's Dream which the children will perform next week. Check out the website and newsletter next week



Coming Up ...

for pictures of the event. Kate has been extremely impressed with the children and their hard work and we look forward to seeing the fruits of their labours.

Robin's Favourite Chapter Book

As a child, I was completely obsessed with reading 'collections' of an author – The Famous Five, Secret Seven, Hardy Boys - and then I discovered the world of Roald Dahl. Reading 'The Witches' was the most amazing experience ever and I remember not being able to put it down whilst on holiday with my family one summer. If you have never read 'The Witches' I would advise you to check it out. This is not a fairy-tale. This is about REAL WITCHES. Real witches don't ride around on broomsticks. They don't even wear black cloaks and hats. They are vile, cunning, detestable creatures who disguise themselves as nice,



ordinary ladies. So how can you tell when you're face to face with one? Well, if you don't know yet you'd better find out quickly-because there's nothing a witch loathes quite as much as children and she'll wield all kinds of terrifying powers to get rid of them. Here is a picture of the original cover....I still have my copy which I bought in 1997! **Robin**



World Diabetes Day

As well as it being Children in



Need Day, it is also World Diabetes Day. Clem in Y3 talked to the children about it in assembly and showed a very informative clip on youtube: <u>http://youtube/</u>

<u>hQbWX9ihYiA</u>. She wrote a great speech in which she told the children thatType 1 Diabetes is a condition where some people's bodies do not produce insulin. If there is no insulin we can't use our body sugar for energy when we run, read, do maths or even do a science experiment. Your body sugar will go very high. If it is high,



you're going to feel unwell. So, scientists invented artificial insulin that is activated through a pump. Some children will get their insulin through injections - every time they eat carbohydrates. JDRF is an organisation that helps scientists do more research to try and find a cure for diabetes. We decided that everyone who wears a onesie would contribute their £1 donation to JDRF. Everyone who comes in pyjamas will donate their £1 to **Children in Need**. [Here are Wagma and Scott]



16th Nov Anti Bullying Week Mon 16th Nov Shakespeare for Schools Festival performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream Tues 17th Nov Yr 5 Trip to Theatre Wed 25th Nov EYFS Closed -**Consultation Day** Wed 25th Nov pm KSI and KS2 Closed from 1.30 **Consultation Afternoon** Thurs 26th Nov 9 am Handwriting Workshop with Robin Wed 2nd Dec Community Carols Evening at St Mark's Church Fri 4th Dec Y3 to British Museum Tues 8th Dec Instrumental Concert Middle Hall 4.30 pm Wed 16th Dec Yr 2 to theatre Friday 18th December END OF TERM

Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-Bullying Week this year is next week! We will be focusing our learning during the week about the theme 'make a noise about bullying'. This always provides some thought-provoking discussions and we will be promoting the work we do on our website.





Parent Book Club

We are going to meet once a month. We will choose a book together. Next, we will all read the book so we can discuss it at the next meeting.

Sessions will usually be in the mornings but if there is enough interest, we may have sessions in the evening for working parents. The first session will be on Thursday 26th November at 9.15 a.m. in the School House, or at 6pm on the same day. There will be light refreshments and we look forward to seeing you! Edina Saadi