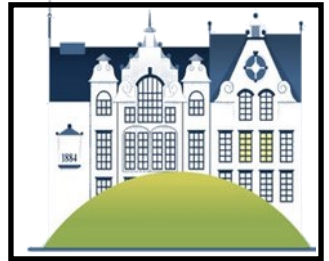


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From our Head Teacher Welcome Back All. So nice to see such enthusiastic and happy faces bounding through the gate on Tuesday. We hope you had a restful holiday and are beating the January blues. We have talked about resolutions this week with the message being 'you can't change what has gone before, but you can make a difference about what is to come'. The children had some very thoughtful resolutions so we look forward to seeing this happen. **Robin**

Staffing

Welcome to Tom West – our new Leader of Learning for Music. Tom has spent the week getting to know the children with Mitch and his timetable and Music will begin next week. Tom is a very talented musician and we are looking forward to seeing what skills he brings to our team. We also welcome Christina Blommesteijn as a new Class Teacher in Y4. Christina will be working alongside Mireille and Mary in getting to know the children and all about Y4.

Lunches

The new lunch menu is now out and on the website. We have a variety of mechanisms where children report positives and negatives to me about the lunch menu. I have communicated with Camden and Caterlink and there may be some adaptations to the vegetarian choices so they are more in line with what is being offered to meat eaters. I have also been in discussions with Camden about halal options....this is not as easy as it would appear as it involves investment in new cooking equipment to comply with recommendations. I am doing some more research into this. I am aware that there are only four other Camden Schools which offer a halal option and several who have halal food transported into them – this is something which will be probably phased out due to local authority budget cuts. In the meantime, our priority is ensuring the vegetarian options are high quality and give the children a comparable choice.



Newsletter Now that we have introduced the text with a weblink to the Newsletter, we are going to start phasing out a paper copy. The paper versions will continue until the Easter holiday after which time we will provide copies in key areas of the school but will expect you to follow the link to the website and read the news electronically. This is our attempt to be a little greener! However, you may still pick up paper copies from the office if you wish. We will ensure there is a stack available.



STARS OF THE WEEK

1J	Camillo and Hugo
1K	Jonathan and Rijana
2B	Elsa
2R	Ali and Patrick
3M	Lotte
3P	Nita
4D	Leon
4M	Viola
5A	Drin
5J	Shadi
6L	
6PH	
6T	

**LET'S ALL TRY TO IMPROVE ATTENDANCE
AND PUNCTUALITY IN 2016**

World Religion Week

World Religion Week takes place on 18th January and is a national school event which we are going to explore for the first time at Primrose Hill. Tracy Maberly (Leader of learning for RE) has organised for representations from the local mosque, synagogue and churches to lead an assembly about key faiths in a general informative way. More information on this next week.



Packed Lunches

Jill Hayman has organised a packed lunch workshop for parents and carers in the dining room on Monday 18th January at 2:30. This will be led by the Local Authority in offering advice and guidance about how to provide a healthy packed lunch for your children. Please do attend.



Book recommendation of the week by Richard McLelland

Tough Guys Have Feelings Too, by Keith Negley.

Superheroes, Wrestlers, Ninjas... It seems like nothing gets them down but they have feelings too, just like you and me. This is a fantastic book that reminds us all that it's ok to find things difficult or challenging and that even the strongest looking people get upset sometimes. It got us really thinking and talking in Reception about how we manage our emotions and show our feelings. A real thought provoking read.



School Photographs

Our School Photographer will be visiting Primrose Hill on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th January. She will be doing individual pictures of the children as follows:

Monday 18th January – Y2, Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y3
Tuesday 19th January – Y4, Y5 and Y6



There will also be an opportunity if you wish to have any family groups / shots taken between 8am – 9am and 11:00 – 12:30 on Tuesday 19th. If you would like to book a slot for this, please speak to Pauline. This will be on a *first come first served* basis.

Maths This Term

Tuesday 2nd February

Laura will be running a Maths Workshop for parents in **KS2** on the progression of fractions. The **same** workshop will run at both 2.45pm and at 6pm. Places are limited so please sign up in the school office.

Tuesday 15th March.

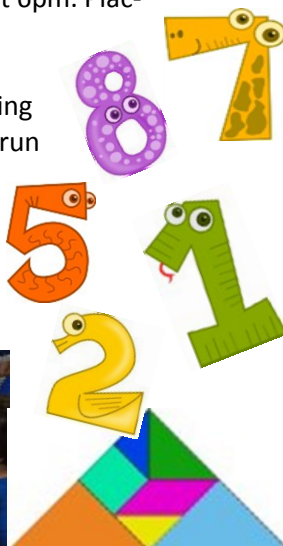
Laura will be running another workshop for **KS1** parents during the second half of the Spring term. The **same** workshop will run at both **2.45pm and 6pm**. You can sign up for this workshop after the February half term.

Parent and Carer Workshops in Class

Come and learn with your child in a class Maths Workshop:

8th February: Year 3 & 4
9th February: Year 5 & 6
10th February: EYFS
12th February: Year 1 & 2

Happy Calculating !!



Key Dates for Spring 2016

Friday 8 th Jan	Y6 trip RAF Museum
Wed 13 th Jan	Y3 Trip to Temple Y4 –& Y5 Dodge Ball Championship
Monday 18 th Jan	School Photographs 2:30 p.m. Packed Lunch Workshop
Tues 19 th Jan	School photographs 2B trip to Ragged School Museum
Wed 20 th Jan	2R trip to Ragged School Museum
Mon 25 th Jan	Chinese New Year
Tues 26 th Jan	Y3 trip to Unicorn Theatre 5A Trip Kenwood House
Wed 27 th Jan	Installation of Soft Play Room 6L and 6T trip to Imperial War Museum
Monday 1 st Feb	6PH trip to Imperial War Museum
Tues 2 nd Feb	5J Trip to Kenwood House
Wed 3 rd Feb	Y2 trip to Kensington Palace
Thurs 4 th Feb	Y2 Fire Safety Workshop

Half Term Week

15th–19th February 2016

CHILDREN'S COMMUNITY CHOIR COS KIDS
LOVE TO SING! PRIMROSE HILL CHILDREN'S
CHOIR, Wednesdays from 6th January, 4-5pm, term-time, St. Mary's Church, Elsworth Road NW3 3DJ. Try us out for free! This term music from around the world, including *A Whole New World*, *I Am a Small Part of the World* and *Under the Sea*. Fun singing & games. Gain confidence, improve speech, concentration & teamwork. For girls & boys, 4-11 years old. First time free then £8/ week for remaining weeks of term (siblings 50% off). Prize-winning local conductor & singing teacher Matthew Watts, "the Gareth Malone of Primrose Hill" (Ham & High).

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