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We've been busy having our pupil progress meetings this week which is an excellent opportunity for all the adults involved in your children's learning to discuss where they are and their next steps. This is also a fantastic professional discussion based on the children's work and the data from teacher assessments. We're racing through November already...... See the important note about the delay for our Two Year Old Provision grrrrrrr!



Two Year Old Provision

We have had notification from Camden and the contractors that that the opening for the two-year old provision is behind schedule. I am very frustrated by this. It has been due to early complications with the planning applications as well as some unprecedented complications with the actual construction. Therefore, our planned opening is now likely to be after February half term. I do not want to open a partially completed construction, so will wait until it's the high quality provision the children deserve.

Anti-Bullying Week



One kind word can change someone's entire day

It has been anti bullying week and the theme this year has been Power For Good.

We have been thinking about what are good powers in terms of friendship and kindness and how we can use them around

the school.





Parent Consultations I hope you have by now been able to access the text appointment service. Like with any new thing, I am sure there are glitches, but I am confident this is an excellent way forward rather than eating into valuable time 'making an appointment' physicaly. We had to create different invites because of the nature of the day. For example, Nursery and Recep-

tion have all day appointments, Beetles appointments were split across two days, plus the KS1/KS2. By the end of the first day 75% of the school had appointments booked. Please make every effort to attend. Note the day....Wednesday 7th December. Nursery & Reception CLOSED ALL DAY. KS1 & KS2 Closed from 1pm. There will also be NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB that day.

Consultations with Jordan & Tom

Jordan and Tom will be available in the Community Room during consultations for you to drop in and talk to them about your child in PE and Music.

Maths Workshop Date for your diary -

24th November KS1 9 am

Maths workshop for <u>parents and carers only</u> on calculations and the methods that we use in school. Limited spaces available. <u>Please sign up with our office staff.</u>

Laura will once again be running some calculation workshops for parents and carers in KS1 and KS2. This is a really useful opportuni-

ty to see how different Maths strategies are taught and to see the approach we use at Primrose Hill. This will help you know how to best support your children at home. Last year, we did run two evening workshops due to feedback that workshops were always during the school day, but the



turn out in the end was very disappointing. Laura has put a lot of work into the content of these workshops, so please try and attend

STAFFING

We are busy recruiting at Primrose Hill. We have adverts out for a School Business Manager and a Cover/Intervention Teacher from January. As you know, Attie Feitsma will be going travelling in the new year to very exotic places. Rhiannon Beeton will begin her maternity leave after Christmas and a new recruit, Pippa Clay, will join the team as Phase Leader for YI & Y2. We have been interviewing all week for new EYFS Team for the new two year old provision in January. We have appointed Liz Turbitt as Senior Early Years Practitioner and Roman Cuerdo and Chin-Chu Morley as Early Years Practitioners.

Working with the Royal Academy of Music

Year 4 are taking part in a project with the Royal Academy of Music. The Musicians are working with us to create arias. We will have to write the words, create the music and perform our op-

eratic arias. We Will let you know how we get on, so watch this space! We have used this opportunity to broadcast across the school. The last two Wednesdays have been Primrose Hill FM Time!



Craft club for Parents

Fancy developing some new craft skills.....join us every Monday in the community room

From 9.15 to 11.30 am.

Edina is very clever and will be able to help you develop your skills.

Chickens

Greetings from the garden,

I am happy to report that we have had no more foxy visitors. We still have to ruffle our feathers every time we think about it.



You might reckon that not a lot happens when you're a chicken, but when your a Primrose Hill school chicken life is action packed. This week Hinge and I were joined by a group of year 6 children who were doing a maths project.

Without wishing to brag, we are pretty good at maths. I for one count my eggs every morning (there's usually I) and Hinge is quite partial to counting grains of corn (she got up to 6 last week).

So we were delighted when the children asked us to help, it was great fun and I feel that we passed on our expertise. We are a couple of chickens who love a bit of chunking or long division. I have to admit the children were very good too!!

As if that wasn't enough excitement, we also helped the little people who come and garden on a Friday to dig up the broad beans and rake the leaves. Then we all ran round the garden for a bit of fun, sort of chicken aerobics.

As for the pond/chicken pool it has got it's cement layer and the pond people are waiting for a liner "then we are good to go" (their words not mine). So before you know it we will be doing backstroke with Bill and Ben the canal ducks.

Lovely clucking to you all, must dash Hinge is calling me to do a bit of multiplication, even chickens need to know their times tables. See you next week.

Hinge and Bracket

Important Dates

Tues 22nd Nov Shakespeare Schools Festival

Weds 23rd Nov Performance Evening Y5 & Y6 Basketball

Tournament Y r 4 Royal Academy Event

Thurs 24th Nov Y5 & Y6 Basketball

Tournament Talacre 9 -2

p.m.

Fri 25th Nov Y6 Theatre Trip

Tues 29th Nov Y2 Tidy Up Project Work shop by The Roundhouse

Y3 & Y4 Basketball

Tournment Talacre 4—6 p.m.

Wed 7th Dec Nursery & Reception

classes closed

Parent Consultations 1:30 p.m. School Closure for Parent Consultations

Tues 13th Dec Y1 & Y2 Concert at Cecil

Sharpe House p.m.

Thurs 15th Dec Christmas lunch children/

staff

Mon 19th Dec Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6

Concert at Cecil Sharp House pm

Tues 20th Dec EYFS Nativity Concert 2.45

p.m.

Candlelit Singalong in the Playground 6 p.m. **Last Day of Autumn**

Wed 21st Dec Last Day of Autumn
Term 1:30 p.m. finish

Tues 3rd Jan INSET DAY – School

Closed

Weds 4th Jan First Day of Spring Term

Wed 11th Jan Year 3 Dodgeball
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Tues 17th Jan Indoor Athletics Talacre

Have Hinge and Bracket heard of the EYFS Eggs??

A truly wonderful day in the Nursery saw 6 chicks emerge from their shells. From the first crack in their shell to being completely free took



Easyfundraising.org.uk

As you know we are really keen to get our very own floating classroom every penny helps and with this in mind please check out the website—

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/primhill/.

The school makes money simply by you shopping at no extra cost to you. One school has raised over £11,000 and they only have 160 children in their school. We have 489 so imagine how much money we could make if we all get behind it. We need as many supporters as possible so tell your friends and family, let us see if we can be the most profitable school!