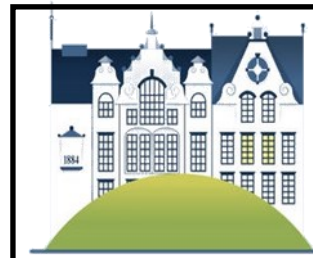


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Next week we are having our playground gym equipment installed. This is tremendously exciting! Also, the Christmas Trees arrive to begin our celebrations of the season. In addition, Y2 are going ice-skating (I am going too!). We are also completing our recruitment for a School Business Manager and a cover teacher ready for January. Busy times but happy times.



Robin

Anti-Bullying Week



It has been wonderful to see the outcomes the children have produced from Anti-Bullying week. The children and staff have thought very carefully about using their powers for good and it has prompted some excellent discussions. Please check out the website for more photos.



Butterflies designed a new cape for Superman with their special power of good.

Parent Consultations



The teachers are looking forward to meeting you soon for your consultation meetings. The new texting system has worked more or less smoothly, but we know some tweaks can be made for the Spring Term. If you haven't yet made an appointment or cannot book an appointment online, please see Robin or Liz who can help you. There are still some families who have not yet made an appointment so we will be chasing you. A reminder that school closes at 1 pm on Wednesday 7th December for Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. The children will be in the playground waiting for you with one of their class adults. (Gates open at 12.55 pm). There will be no school that day for **Nursery and Reception children.**

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.

Class Assemblies

A heads up about class assemblies next term. Each class will be have an assembly which will be performed to you as parents and carers and to an audience of children. This is a new approach at Primrose Hill, which we hope will develop the children's performance skills, give them confidence in speaking publicly and singing and dancing to entertain us. The assemblies will be linked to their class learning.

The assemblies will be weekly throughout the Spring Term, beginning with Butterflies on Thursday 12th Jan at 9:30 a.m. in the middle hall, followed by Dragonflies on Thursday 19th Jan at 9:30 a.m.

Subsequent assemblies will be at 2:45 p.m.

Thurs 26th Jan 2:45
Thurs 2nd Feb 2:45
Thurs 23rd Feb 2:45
Friday 3rd Mar 2:45
Thurs 9th Mar 2:45
Thurs 16th Mar 2:45
Thurs 23rd Mar 2:45
Thurs 30th Mar 2:45

Grasshoppers
Beetles
Bats
Squirrels
Foxes
Hedgehogs
Woodpeckers
Blackbirds



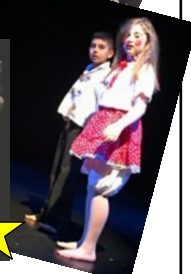
Shakespeare

Schools Festival

Our Y5 & Y6 Children performed in the annual Shakespeare Schools Festival



this week. The children chose *The Tempest* this year. Alongside three other schools, our children confidently and effortlessly showcased their talents...but this is not without considerable hard work and rehearsal over the past three months. An enormous thank you to Kate Hopewell for her wonderful talent and hard work, and to Carly Chapman for her creative expertise in making the children's costumes and prompts.



Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who bought wristbands during anti-bullying week. The money provided resources for the children to use on their Power for Good activities.

Also a big thank you to the families who contributed to Children in Need. All monies collected will be sent to the BBC's Children in Need charitable Appeal.



Stay and Play Maths Games
Friday, 2nd December at the beginning
of the school day

Stay and play a Maths game
with your child in class next
Friday - 2nd December. Join
your child as s/he comes into
school and they will teach you a
game you can play together.



Chickens

Greetings and salutations from your neighbourhood chickens,

Hinge and I heard that years 5 & 6 took part in the annual Schools Shakespeare Festival this week and performed *The Tempest*. We were told that they were fantastic and brought the house down.



Little do most people know, but this week was also The Wild Fowl Drama Festival in which Hinge and I had a starring role. Not only have we been practising our synchronised swimming ready for the pond/pool (which is coming along nicely), we have also been performing for the local mice! This year's play was *Chicken Licken*. You know the story - where the acorn falls on Chicken Licken's head and they all go off to see the king to tell him that the sky is falling down. It is one of my personal favourites and was directed by a couple of the local sparrows (Sid and Seth) who live in the oak tree by the playground in Regents Park.

Hinge was Chicken Licken and I was Henny Penny, Bill and Ben our new duck pals from the canal were Ducky Lucky and Drakey Lakey, while Colin the Canada goose took the role of Goosey Woosy. His wife, Carla, was Turkey Lurkey. We held auditions for the parts but no turkeys applied. Fortunately Carla stepped into the role and, using a red sock (we borrowed from one of the neighbour's washing lines) which we put over her neck, she looked just like a turkey! After our near death experience with Fred the fox, we decided to use Marvin the local cat to play the role of Foxy Loxy which he did brilliantly, might I add.

We spent all week learning our lines and had a really good dress rehearsal on Wednesday night, I must say that sock really did transform Carla. Thursday was our opening night. It was wonderful! 424 local mice turned up to watch as well as several of the local birds. The garden was filled to the rafters. We even had a couple of storks from Africa no less. The play went without a hitch. The applause was so loud the roof of the coop nearly blew off. It was amazing, Hinge and I felt like movie stars. We may have to get an agent!

Have a good weekend.

Hinge and Bracket

Important Dates

Tues 29th Nov

Y2 Tidy Up Project Workshop by The Roundhouse
Y3 & Y4 Basketball

Wed 7th Dec

Tournament Talacre 4—6 p.m.

**Nursery & Reception
classes closed
Parent Consultations**

1.00 p.m. School Closure for Parent Consultations

Fri 9th Dec

National Human Rights Day
Y1 & Y2 Concert at Cecil
Sharpe House p.m.

Tues 13th Dec

Thurs 15th Dec

Christmas lunch children/
Staff

Fri 26th Dec

Year 2 to The Roundhouse
Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6

Mon 19th Dec

Concert at Cecil

Tues 20th Dec

Sharp House pm

EYFS Nativity Concert 2.45
p.m.

Wed 21st Dec

Candlelit Singalong in the
Playground 6 p.m.

**Last Day of Autumn
Term 1:30 p.m. finish**

Tues 3rd Jan 2017

INSET Day

Weds 4th Jan

First Day of Spring Term

Wed 11th Jan

Year 3 Dodgeball

Tues 17th Jan

Tournament Talacre

Indoor Athletics Talacre

Attendance and Punctuality

Our current level of attendance is down at 94.43%; and there were 184 children late for school this week! Neither of these figures reflect credit on our school. Together we need to make a positive effort to improve for our children's benefit.

May we remind parents / carers that they have a legal obligation to inform the school if their child is to be absent for whatever reason. Please ring our office to inform them of your child's non-attendance or use the attendance email address on the website—

attendance@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk

Remember —

- Attending 90% of the time or less will have a serious effect on learning.
- One day's absence every two weeks will give 90% attendance.
- Up to the age of 16, 90% attendance will mean losing over a year of school

Persistent lateness can

- Cause embarrassment to a child.
- Make it harder for a child to settle.
- Cause disruption to the rest of the class.



Newsletter

We have been wondering if you miss the paper copy of the Newsletter, or whether you're happy with the link we text to you each week. If you have some views, please let us know — tell your child's teacher or email -

admin@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk

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. We need as many supporters as possible so tell your friends and family, Let us see if we can be the most profitable school!