

# Primrose Hill Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

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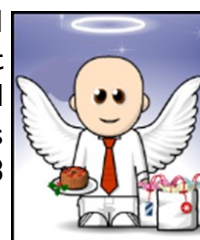
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This term has absolutely flown by. The snow caused lots of excitement across London and I am pleased Primrose Hill was able to open and function as normal. We are nothing if not determined. Have a very well deserved winter break. Spend lots of time with family and friends and loved ones and rest and be merry. This holiday is the one where everything seems to shut down which is good – we all need time to switch off. See you fresh and ready for 2018 on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Jan.



### Y6 Homework Club



Y6 children should have received a letter from Mary this week who will begin an after school homework club next term. This is a trial but we hope it will be a positive addition to our provision. This will take place on Mondays after school. If you have missed this letter it is available on the website and in the office.

### Book Fair

On week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan, there will be a Half Price Scholastic Book Fair in the playground. This is always good value and a great opportunity to get some bargains. This also raises some commission for us to buy some books for school....so if you have some spare post Christmas pennies, please check it out.

### Dermot O'Leary

We did a small piece in last weeks newsletter, but just wanted to mention what a great visit we had from Dermot O'Leary. He was so generous with his time and his assembly was great fun. If you haven't yet checked out his book Toto The Ninja Cat and the Great Snake. Dermot loved his visit to the school so we are hopeful Primrose Hill may feature in one of Toto's future



### Attendance & Punctuality

We have had an overall good half-term of attendance, with lots of children getting over 98% attendance! Well Done! Here are the overall Autumn 2 Attendance:

EYFS = 92.95%

Ks1-Ks2 = 95.09%

Here is the overall attendance for each class for Autumn 1 and Autumn 2. Well done to Herons who had the best attendance for both half terms!

Class Name & Year	A1	A2
Tadpoles (2 Yr Olds)	95.4%	92.27%
Froglets (Nursery)	92.48%	90.02%
Newts (Reception)	96.51%	94.62%
Sticklebacks (Reception)	96.28%	94.57%
Butterflies (Yr 1)	96.1%	95.40%
Dragonflies (Yr 1)	93.1%	94.28%
Grasshoppers (Yr 2)	96.6%	94.03%
Beetles (Yr 2)	95.31%	92.45%
Bats (Yr 3)	96.86%	95.92%
Squirrels (Yr 3)	97.31%	93.77%
Hedgehogs (Yr 4)	94.46%	96.46%
Foxes (Yr 4)	95.98%	95.67%
Blackbirds (Yr 5)	96.69%	95.32%
Woodpeckers (Yr 5)	96.86%	95.62%
Herons (Yr 6)	98.18%	97.16%
Kestrels (Yr 6)	96.57%	94.13%

#### A few reminders:

\* Please contact the school to report your child's absence (see above for phone & email details).

\* Please ensure your child is at school before the gates close at 9am.

\* We start back at school on Thursday 4th January.

Enjoy a restful break and see you in 2018!

### Stars of The Week

★ **Dragonflies – All the Dragonflies!** ★  
 ★ **Butterflies – Henry & Jia** ★  
 ★ **Grasshoppers – All of them** ★  
 ★ **Beetles – Everyone!** ★  
 ★ **Bats – Everyone!** ★  
 ★ **Squirrels –** ★  
 ★ **Hedgehogs – Everyone!** ★  
 ★ **Foxes – Everyone!** ★  
 ★ **Blackbirds – Everyone!** ★  
 ★ **Woodpeckers – Everyone!** ★  
 ★ **Herons – Mal, Karmil & Khadija** ★  
 ★ **Kestrels – Nita & Aiman** ★

## Class Assemblies

Next term each class will have an assembly which will be performed to you as parents and carers and to an audience of children. The assemblies will be linked to their class learning. The assemblies will be weekly throughout the Spring Term, beginning with Butterflies on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan at 2:45 followed by:



Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	2:45	Dragonflies
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:30	Beetles
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	9:30	Grasshoppers
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	2:45	Squirrels
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	2:45	Bats
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	2:45	Foxes
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	2:45	Hedgehogs
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	2:45	Woodpeckers
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9:30	Blackbirds

## Science week

This year **Science Week** will take place from the **15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> January**. Last year, we loved having parent involvement in our Early Years and Key stage 1 classes. If you work in a scientific job and would like to be involved in Science Week, please come and talk to Niamh or email her at [niamh.keating@primrosehill.primary.sch.uk](mailto:niamh.keating@primrosehill.primary.sch.uk).

## Postcards

We have had a great response to the staff postcards and the adults in school have been really appreciative of your words and messages. Thank you

## Goodbye Benedicte

After several years with us we say goodbye to our French Teacher Benedicte. A big thank you for the fun way you have taught French to the children. Tu as été magnifique! We wish you all the best for the future. Pippa Davies-Humphries will be leading French next term. All the best!

## Chickens



Sleigh bells have been ringing round here this week when Santa came to visit. It was brilliant and so nice of him to take time out of his busy schedule to pop by to visit you all in your big red building. His sack looked very full. We hope you like what he brought you. We could hear you singing festive songs to Santa from our coop, your very good we must say!

He left Rudolph and co back here with us in the garden so we took the opportunity to show them part of our routine for our Christmas eggstravaganza. Ilirjana has done a grand job with the costumes and Jordan and Dean think our moves are "there" Tom's made sure we're pitch perfect and Taylor

swift (who's an actual swift) popped by too as she's touring with us.

It was all going brilliantly till Taylor went wrong during jingle bells, tripped over her wings and fell into the nearly finished chicken jacuzzi/pond. She started shouting "look what you made me do" at poor Rudolph. It wasn't his fault his nose wasn't flashing in time to the music! These actual swifts can be a bit divarish it seems.



After we dried her off Taylor was fine and the reindeer said we were fantastic!

Santa has also offered us a job. Not singing this time, one of his elves are going to Australia for the holidays so he's asked us to help him deliver all those prezzies. So keep an ear out for some eggstra clucking on Christmas eve!

Merry Christmas Primrose hillers

Love Madonna, Cyndi, Kylie, and just this once Taylor swift who's an actual swift.

## Festive Fun

