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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Summer Term! The children are now in the last term of Year 5 and and we will be preparing for the transition to Year 6. This letter will outline some of the areas of learning this term and what you can do to help at home. Our new topic for this half term is **Save the World**. We will be looking at environmental impacts on animals & life-cycles while planning and developing our STEAM project.

- Reading at home is vital this year and children will have the opportunity to take home books on a regular basis. To aid this, the children will continue with Year 5 Reading Challenge and visit the **school library** once or twice a week . Woodpeckers will visit on Friday and Blackbirds will visit on Thursday.
- Maths groups continue to work successfully and the integrated day is now fully embedded..
- We shall continue to hand home learning out each week on Friday and while non- compulsory it is strenuously encouraged. As it is now the Summer Term, the children are expected to ideally share something weekly. It will be due in the following Thursday. There will be Maths, Spelling and an English/Topic task. The home learning sheet will be printed and posted on the Google Classroom. All the children have home learning books but they can also share work with their teacher on the Google Classroom or their Google Drive.
- We will place news items on the school website to keep you informed about learning taking place in Year 5 and across the school. Please visit the school website regularly. Also on the website you will find a calendar of events across the term. This is regularly updated so please use this in addition to the Calendar pages attached. www.primrosehill.camden.sch.uk
- PE and Music takes place every WEDNESDAY MORNING. It is vital children wear their PE kit on this day and that must happen from next Friday. The P.E kit is the school sweatshirt and polo shirt and <u>plain</u> black tracksuit bottoms (no stripes or logos).
- School starts at 8:55am and finishes at 3:30pm. Children are welcome to join us in class for soft start from 8:45am. Attendance and punctuality is crucial, as continuous absence and lateness will result in your child missing important teacher instructions and learning.
- Please ensure that your child does not come to school with toys, sweets, chewing gum or jewellery. These items are not allowed.
- If it is necessary for your child to have a mobile phone for their journey to or from school they should take it to the school office for safe keeping during the school day. The phones should be in the office by the start of the school day at 8:55am and can be picked up at 3:30pm. If children are found to have a mobile phone with them during the school day they will be confiscated.
- Summer clothing- as the temperature increases its important to be prepared. Children should have a water bottle in school, sun cream and a hat when necessary and shoulders must be covered.
- STEAM EXHIBITION Friday 25th May 3pm

We are looking forward to a busy and exciting half term with you and your children. If you have any concerns or queries, we will be available in the playground on **Wednesdays 3:15pm**.

Many thanks, Danielle and Sophie The Year 5 Team