# Primrose Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter





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It was good to return to school properly after being struck down with the Big C. It has been lovely seeing all the children, staff and parents again and I appreciate the warm wishes you conveyed. It has made us all think even more about how important it is to keep safe. Mireille has done a magnificent job with the SLT keeping things moving forward: well done. **Robin** 

Coffee

## Parent Coffee Morning

Mireille and I were delighted with the turn out at our first virtual

coffee morning. We were able to explain all our current news including our wellbeing ideas, as well as give you an opportunity to see the classrooms and some children's learning. We

miss having you all in the building, so I hope you found this useful.

## Parent Consultations Friday 27th November



A reminder that school will be **closed** this day for the

whole school. Online learning will be available for all children. We are unable to run our consultations as normal, as we are not able to allow parents into the building. Instead we will be providing opportunity for you to speak on the phone with your child's class teacher. Please make sure you book your telephone appointment with the class teacher to discuss your child's progress.

If you would like to have an appointment with Tom or Jordan, please email Ilirjana: <a href="mailto:isfarqa@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk">isfarqa@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk</a>

### Teaching & Learning

The SLT have been monitoring the quality of teaching and learning as normal within each class. We have been impressed with how

confident the children are in talking about their learning journeys so far, and seeing how the teachers have addressed any gaps from last year. The pace of learning is incredible. Despite our restrictions, the children are getting a rich diet of quality. Well done PH Staff.

## Next Week's Parent Coffee Marning

On Wednesday 25th November, Mandy & Syra will do a 5 minute presentation on family wellbeing and resilience in times of stress, and then share a coffee and discussion with parents. Here is the link for Zoom:

https://zoom.us/j/99944142928?

pwd=WF1RUUZ1c2xzdE1NdmVSY1BKNGZyUT09

Meeting ID: 999 4414 2928

Passcode: 2KBxWv

## Phonics Check

The Government have asked us to do our Phonics Checks with the current Y2 cohort. This would normally be done during



the Summer Term when the children are in YI. These are well under way now, led by Chrystal and Sophie and the SLT. The outcomes of each check will be communicated to parents by the end of the Autumn Term.

## Nursery Closure

A big thank you for your understanding in us having to close the nursery this week due to confirmed staff cases of COVID-19. We realise this is disruptive on so many levels. Sophie and her team will be liaising with you remotely to ensure the children continue to learn and we are checking in with you. Bubble closures are very prevalent in all schools and all of our cluster school colleagues have experienced similar situations. Sadly, a sign of the times. We continue to vigilantly monitor our risk assessment and safety measures to keep risk to a minimum.

#### **Protocol Champions**

Dragonflies – Beau
Butterflies – Clara
Grasshoppers – Eddie
Beetles – Teresa
Bats – Alexander
Squirrels - Navadah

Foxes – Adam
Hedgehogs – Adam
Blackbirds – Rhemi
Woodpeckers – Alissa May
Herons – Ort
Kestrels – Isma

#### Protocol Champions



### Year 1& 2 Achievement ..

Year 2 have been learning all about The Great Fire of London.
They have become news reporters overnight and are just about to write their first news report for all of the citizens in 1666!
The Year 2 team are very excited to read

their amazing news

reports!



## Renewal of our Collective Worship Exemption Consultation

As a community school, we believe it is important that we share with the children an understanding of religious tolerance and an acceptance that there are many religions and belief systems in our world, and each one must be valued and respected. Our school is diverse and inclusive. Our children and their families are of many religions, including Christian, Muslim, Jewish, Buddhist, Sikh and several other faiths. There are also a number of families of no religion.

**Every five years** the school applies for a determination which allows us to reflect our population in our assemblies and curriculum; without this the Department for Education would require our assemblies and ethos to be based on Christian beliefs. This determination has now expired. It was something I was tasked with when I first arrived at Primrose Hill.

We would like to continue this broad and balanced coverage in our assemblies, including a wide range of beliefs and ideas. This means that we wish to renew our determination. We will do this by applying to The London Diocesan Board Adviser for Religious Education in Community Schools (SACRE).

If you have any concerns or questions at all then please feel free to come and see me or email the school: <a href="mailto:admin@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk">admin@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk</a>. Please put SACRE in the title and it will be sent directly to me. Thanks, Robin

#### Stars of the Week





## **Kindness Award: Kaiyan in Kestrels**

Kaiyan has shown *exceptional kindness* to Salome whilst she has been recovering from her operation.

As they are unable to do the things they usually do, he thoughtfully makes a point of calling her everyday just to keep her cheerful. Also, he made her a birthday video and is hoping to have a socially distanced meet through the window soon. Well done Kaiyan - this is what Primrose Hill is all about.





