

Primrose Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter



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Hi parents and carers, it is finally time for me to type...I'll see you and your wonderful children on Monday! This is what I have been hoping for since we were told schools would close on the 1st January- it seems like such a long time ago now. The staff at PH have been busy today getting ready for the children's return- making sure the classrooms are stocked with PPE, the tables are set up and they have planned some exciting activities for the children's return. Although the road to getting through this pandemic has started to take a positive turn, we are not there yet. As a community, we still need to be vigilant, follow protocols and procedures and adhere to government guidelines- please click here for the most up to date guidelines and the [Roadmap out of Lockdown](#). Until Monday morning, please take care and look after yourselves! I cannot wait!

Information About Reopening

Please make sure you have read all [letters](#) we have shared over the past 2 weeks: and also individual year group letters which you can find on our [website](#) .Please also make sure you and your child/ren watch my videos about [entering](#) school and [collecting](#) at the end of the day.

Year Group	Tadpoles	Froglets	Ladybirds Group 1	Ladybirds Group 2
Entry Time	AM Group: 9-12noon	9:00am	8:45am	9:00am
Entry Location	PM Group 12:30-3:30	Main Gate	Main Gate	Main Gate
Collection Time	Entry & Exit through 2 Yr Old Gate - line up on the left please	3:30pm	3:10pm	3:30pm
Collection Location		Froglet Classroom	Ladybirds Classroom	Ladybirds Classroom

Year Group	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Entry Time	8:45am	8:45am	8:45am	8:55am	8:55am	8:55am
Entry Location	Main Gate	Middle / Scooter	2 Year old	Main Gate	2 Year old	Middle / Scooter
Collection Time	3:15pm	3:15pm	3:15pm	3:20pm	3:20pm	3:20pm
Collection Location	Y1 Class rooms	Bottom Play ground	Top Playground	Top playground	Bottom playground	Top playground

Remote Learning for Children Unable to Return on the 8th March

For those children that are unable to return to school due to isolating/being stuck abroad, they will be expected to continue to learn remotely - please check your emails as you will have received an email today with further information about this. EYFS children will continue to use the Tapestry platform and KS1 and KS2 will be joining a new Google Classroom. The Remote Learning offered to children still working at home can not be the same due to all staff being in school, but we will continue to contact families and support when needed.

School Improvement Partner Marion Hunter Visit

Marion & I had a wonderful morning popping into Zoom sessions across the school, talking to pupils, talking to staff and talking to parents! She was super impressed, as I knew she would be, about our amazing Remote Learning & In School Provision and with how our children and parents have managed! I will share highlights of her report in next week's newsletter. Again, this could not have happened if we were not supported by our fabulous community of parents/carers and your magnificent children- THANK YOU!

World Book Day

I came home after school on Thursday to find I had been burgled! Buglar Betty had been in my house and took all my books - have you seen them?

It was wonderful to see so many of the children on Zoom and in school celebrating World Book Day! We are planning a special event for the Summer Term, which will allow children to celebrate this community event all together! I can't wait!!



Risk Assessment

We have been looking through the Government and Union Guidelines to ensure our [Risk Assessment](#) is comprehensive - most protocols and procedures are the same, with a few new additions, of which highlights include:

- * face masks being worn by all adults in communal areas and we are strongly advising staff to wear them when they can not socially distance from children. This of course depends on the age of the child and the child's individual needs.

- * ventilation- this continues to be key in minimising the transmission of COVID. We have put in new extra measures for monitoring this such as buying a CO2 monitor, extra ventilation for classrooms throughout the day and in the dining hall. will continue to ensure sanitisation, washing hands and cleaning equipment etc. is a priority.

Face Masks

We continue to ask all parents and carers to wear face masks when they are in and around the school building and when they are dropping and collecting their child/ren.



The guidance still suggests that children under the age of 11 do not need to wear face masks, however we know that some parents would like to make the choice for their child's safety to wear them in school.

We are happy for parents to make this individual choice, but please be advised that **staff will not be able to monitor the children who wear them and will not enforce this during the school day, it will be the responsibility of the child themselves, after having guidance from you as their parents/carers.**

Please read the government guidance on wearing face masks:

- FACE MASK ADVICE (including for children who choose to wear them)
- Not touch the front of their face covering during use or when removing it
- Dispose of temporary face coverings in a 'black bag' waste bin (not recycling bin)
- Place reusable face coverings in a plastic bag they can take home with them
- Wash their hands again before heading to their classroom or before doffing and donning
- For adults, shields or visors can only be worn IN ADDITION to face masks.
- Face masks should not be worn when damp

Keeping our Community Safe

Please check your child for symptoms, and **do not** come in to school if they or **anyone in your family** show the following symptoms: Remember, everyone in your household will have to isolate if anyone has one of these symptoms & you will need to arrange a COVID test:

- a high temperature (please try to take their temperature every morning/check if they are hot to touch on chest & back)
- a new, continuous cough or symptoms – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

The above 3 symptoms are from the NHS and you should always consult your GP or call 111 NHS or use the coronavirus service <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19/>

What to do if you have symptoms

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.
2. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get your test result – only leave your home to have a test.
3. Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get your result.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

Always contact the school if you are unsure of what to do or would like some advice.

Red Nose Day- Next Friday 19th March



Comic Relief is Friday 19th March. We're asking children to prepare a joke and wear red for a day of laughter. Then in their classes we may sprinkle the jokes throughout the day, or devote a session to holding our own comedy gig. I am already working on my joke (the Senior Leadership Team and I will be competing to get the most laughs).

Anything your teacher should know...

On Wednesday we sent a link to an optional survey for families to complete if there is anything you would like the teaching team and Senior Leadership Team to know about how Lockdown has affected you, your child and/or family before we return to school. We know that we have all been affected in different ways and we want to make sure that we are fully aware of how the whole family has been getting on and consider any additional support or sensitivity. If you missed this link, then please feel free to fill in now (we will leave it open over the weekend). https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd6E_YNx6UUnXqb6QzoljrFVC1PkLyLUyqsX8zn3gaKhUvgGQ/viewform?usp=pp_url



Star Learners!

Tadpoles – Evelyn

Froglets – Myles & Abbas

Ladybirds – Josephine & Leo G

Dragonflies – Eli & Hugo

Butterflies – Dean & Eleri

Grasshoppers – Ayub & Cecilia

Beetles – Samuel & Emma

Tadpoles...

World Book Day

As we celebrate World book Day, our Tadpoles in school and at home dressed up as characters from their favourite books. We had Elsa, The Gruffalo, Spider Man and Zog. We also had the pleasure of one of our Parents reading us the story of Zog, a keen dragon at Dragon school who aims to be the best in his class.

Froglets...

Dear Zoo...

The children read the story and then set off finding the right sized containers to send the animals back. They also looked at animal patterns and made collages of the animals from the story.

Dear Zoo

Rod Campbell

Ladybirds...

This week in Ladybirds, we received a parcel from the zoo! Inside was the story of Dear Zoo and a letter asking us to join the staff at the zoo to help them find out about the animal habitats. We even made our own lanyards.

In Maths we have been learning all about patterns! We had so much fun going on a pattern hunt, making patterns with different objects and we even dressed up in as many pieces of clothes with patterns on!

Well done Ladybirds for a Fabulous week of home learning!

Year 1...

Year 1 have been VERY excited about World Book Day, and decided to dress up in character for our Zooms on Thursday! Can you spot Mary Poppins? We have also been making special bookmarks so that we don't lose our place when reading our favourite stories.

Year 2...

In Year 2 this week we have read the book 'The Emperor's Egg' and learnt all about penguins! First, we researched and drew pictures of the life cycle of a penguin.

Then we learnt all about where penguins live and created our own world maps to show this. It was a bit tricky and we had to think very hard!

- ★ Bats – Tayyiba & Emilia
- ★ Squirrels – All Squirrels for continuing to take part and their Squirrel parents who supported them.
- ★ Hedgehogs – Erika & Preston
- ★ Foxes – Bert, Mytheli and Josie
- ★ Blackbirds – Troj & Nina
- ★ Woodpeckers – Eshan & Grace
- ★ Herons – Ort, Star & Mary
- ★ Kestrels – Chloe, Lisa, Jack & Isabella

Year 3...

In preparation for World Book Day, the children made a 3D scene from their favourite books. It was squash and a squeeze getting everything in but they have done an amazing job. Can you guess what books the children chose?

Year 4...

In Year 4 we have been learning about fables. We have read and compared a variety of fables over the last two weeks. Yesterday, we wrote our own. Here are some examples...

THE WOLF AND THE LAMB Alicia

THE DOG AND THE BIRD Adam

The fox and the bird Ameera

Year 5...

To celebrate World Book Day, Year 5 did an 'Extreme Reading Challenge'. They were able to find some of the most unusual places to read their books! Hanging upside down, reading while vacuuming and sitting in a tree were just a few of the wacky ways! Take a look...

Year 6...

The Y6 children at school have been producing lots of beautiful and very well thought out work - Well Done! And, A BIG THANK YOU to Sabena, Tom and Dean.