Primrose Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter





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Another week has flown by with so much to enjoy in the PH community. I continue to be overwhelmed with kindness by everyone. I had my first parent tour (via zoom) this week and it was delightful to go around the school showing off all the work the children were doing. The smiling faces help remind me I have the best job in the world! This was especially true when two Year 2 boys came in to my office to read me one of their favourite picture books. They were so enthusiastic and read it beautifully! We are hoping that when the 17th May finally arrives the announcements about releasing lockdown procedures will increase the mixing we are able to achieve both with the children and the wider community. As this happens we will hopefully be in a position to start welcoming visitors to school again, another sign that we can see some kind of normality on the horizon. **Phil**

End of School Pick Up

We have noticed that our procedures for pick up at the main gate at 3.15pm are sadly not being followed by everyone. Thank you to the parents and carers that stand in line down Princess Road to wait for entry to the school at this time. Can I remind those that are tempted to 'cut in' the line at the entrance that this prevents the social distancing measures we have put in place to maintain safety during these Covid times. The incidence of the virus may be appearing to diminish but cases are still occurring in Camden. To that end please make sure you wait 2m apart and wait until the full line along Princess Road has made their way on to the school grounds. Please also remember that you can stagger your collection and collect children from 3:20-3:25pm and don't all need to arrive at 3:15pm. Thank you for helping keep our community safe.



Attendance & Reporting Absences

A pretty quiet week at Primrose Hill this week, with the whole school with 94.86% across the whole school, remember everyone—there are prizes to be won!

We've noticed there have been a lot of late children coming through the office lately, around 15 on Wednesday!! Arriving late to school is really disruptive to class especially in EYFS. At the moment we're not letting any parents come through the school, so if your child is late it means we have to take an adult out of the class at the busiest time of the day (sometimes more than once) to come and collect children from the office. Starting from next week, we will be sending out letters to families if children are late over three times a week. Getting back into routines and full days is tricky, but I'm sure we can pull through! Lyra

Parking - drop off and pick up

Parking – whilst it is understandable more

parents and carers are driving children to school rather than using public transport at present, the congestion this is causing at the junction is creating a larger challenge. The



two-way traffic on Chalcot Road alongside double parking from the shop to Edis Street does cause a hazard to pedestrians. Whilst the current traffic calming measures have made some difference, the dangers at the junction of Chalcot Road and Princess Road have increased. In my short time here I have witnessed 6 incidents of cars having to reverse to turn around at the bottom of the road near the shop, when children have been crossing the road. 3 of these have nearly resulted in collisions. Can I request any drivers park their cars further down the road,



safely to avoid these incidents. The last thing any of us want is for something more serious to occur. Thank you so much for your cooperation in this matter.

Parent Liaison Timetable

Liaison times will continue next week and will be at 8:45am each morning - please enter the school through the main gate, your child should continue to enter through the gate they usually come through. Please refer to the map below for where your child's class teacher will be - as always we ask you to wear a mask and ensure you are socially distancing from

the teacher and other parents.





Parent Liaison Timetable Summer 2 2020-21					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nursery playground	Sophie T Froglets				
KS1 Playground	Becca -3:15pm via phone each day	Maria and Lia - Reception Ladybirds	Hatty - Y1 Butterflies	Sophie K - Y2 Grasshoppers	Chrystal - Y2 Beetles
KS2 Playground Area 1	Jemma - Y5 Woodpeckers	Nabila - Y6 Herons	Mireille - Y6 Kestrels	Lucy - Y5 Blackbirds	
KS2 Playground Area 2		Alice - Y4 Hedgehogs	Marina- Y4 Foxes	Paul - Y3 Squirrels	Jacob - Y3 Bats

Eid Mubarak

If you're a member of Camden's Muslim community, thank you for your efforts to observe Ramadan safely. With Eid Al-Fitr coming up next week (the exact timings are due to be confirmed on Tuesday), here are some tips to celebrate it safely:



- 1. If you plan to visit your local mosque, please follow the on-site signage and guidance to keep yourself and those around you safe
- 2. If you plan to celebrate at home instead of visiting the mosque, you could pray with loved ones virtually over Zoom or live-stream prayers from your local mosque
- 3. Please enjoy the Eid meal and catching up with loved ones safely to prevent yourself from catching or passing on coronavirus:
- Only socialise indoors with your household or bubble and keep the windows open to keep the space well
- Only socialise outdoors in groups of 6 people or 2 households
- Avoid sharing platters of food
- Regularly wash your hands or use hand sanitiser
- Stay 2 metres apart from those outside your bubble or household.
 - 4. For more information, the Muslim Council of Britain has published updated advice for i'itikaf and Eid at mcb.org.uk/resources/coronavirus/.

Summer Term Dates

Summer 1

Tuesday 20th April to Friday 28 May 2021

Early May Bank Holiday Day Monday 3rd May & Spring Bank Holiday Monday 31st May 2021

Half-term including Spring Bank Holiday,

Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June 2021

Summer 2

Tuesday 8 June to Friday 23 July 2021

INSET DAYS

Monday 7th June 2021

Here is the link to:

Term Dates 2021-2022

Froglets - Austin Ladybirds - Lily Dragonflies – Abdulrahman

Butterflies – Clara Grasshoppers - Farida

Beetles – Ronnie Bats - Eti-Eno

Squirrels - Ryan

Foxes - Bibi **Hedgehogs – Livia** Blackbirds - Julie Woodpeckers - Nabiil

Herons – Chloe Kestrels – Kaiyan



Keeping our Community Safe

Please note- if you or any member of your family have symptoms, you need to have a PCR Test, NOT a lateral Flow Test—always call 111 for advice.

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

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.



In tadpoles this week we have been learning all about growth, we have been patiently waiting for our seeds to grow and the magic has begun and they have grown, The children have been talking about how big their unflower will grow and they have been arefully watering and looking after the seedlings. We also have been talking about how we grow and have been leasuring our height we made a heigh chart and even the adults joined in.











Year 2...





The Froglets have been learning about planting seeds with some do's and don'ts from Jasper. They looked at the days of the week and have drawn what Jasper did





This week we couldn't believe it when we received not one but two phone calls. The first one was from jack sharing how sory he was for taking the Gaints things. He couldn't find the Gaint so we helped by making wanted posters. It worked because later in the week the Gaint called us letting us know he had seen the posters and promised not to be unkind to Jack if he returned the items. We helped the returned the items. We helped the he returned the items. We helped the Giant by writing letters to Jack to let him know that it is safe to go back to the castle.















We've been working really hard learning our number bonds to 20. We've been thinking about what we know about our bonds to 10 and using this to help us with our bonds to 20 we've found some really good tricks and our adults e so impressed!







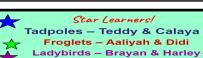
In year 2, we have been learning about Money!

We have learnt how we use money and what we spend it on. We debated what you could buy with a £5, £10 and £20 note. We also found out what you can't buy_sadly a yacht didn't fall in our budget.



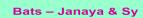
We have enjoyed making different amounts of money and comparing them.













Blackbirds - Bertina & Theo

Voodpeckers – Amaanah & Ela

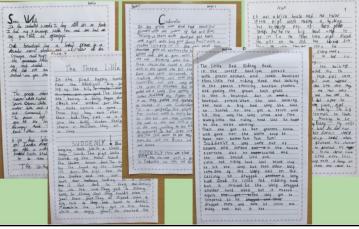
☆Kestrels – Salome, Grace & Chloe ★

Herons - Chloe, Star & Max





Year 3 have been writing good copies of traditional tales with our unhappy endings.



Year 4 ...

In year 4, we have continued to read the story of 'Beowulf and the Monster of the Night'. We read the description of Grendel the terrifying Monster in the story. We then used the language from the text and our own imaginations to create our own versions of Grendel.





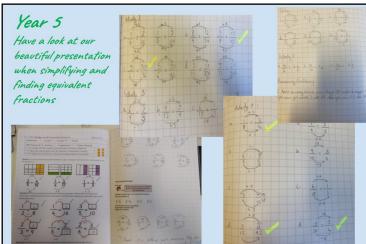












Year 6 have been reading a wonderful short story by Michael Morpurgo called: Year 6... The Giant's Necklace. In Big Writing, we had to write the cliffhanger of the story, when our main character, Cherry, went inside a dark and dangerous tunnel. Here are some examples of our writing..







Rijana