

# Primrose Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter



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The half term draws to a close and it is a good time to have a break. Hopefully we are looking forward to the Spring weather. We've got some great stuff coming up next term, so please make sure you look at the dates. Have a great rest next week. We will see you back at school on Monday 25th February. **Robin**

**Parent Consultation Day Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March — Please note this date into your diaries!  
EYFS Closed All Day & KS1 & KS2 Closes at 1pm**

## Challenge Partner Quality Assurance Review

This week we have had our annual Challenge Partner Review. This was headed by a lead Ofsted trained inspector plus three senior staff from schools nationally alongside our own Senior Leadership Team. This was a robust and challenging process for us but I was delighted to see how the school was viewed and judged. The team agreed with our own judgement of outstanding. I was so proud of the entire school team in showing their best work, and in the children for being superstars.

Here are a few snippet headlines until we get an official Challenge Partner review report:

- There is excellent engagement of learning, particularly in writing for a purpose
- Oracy in school is really high
- There is strong subject knowledge across teaching
- School routines evident across teaching and learning
- There is consistency across classes – List of Magic, Grammar, learning environment, growth mind-set
- Children have good learning behaviour. They work hard collaboratively and independently.
- There is consistency in learning environments which are supportive and stimulating.
- Support for children is layered and integrated.
- Effective deployment of skills and independence of additional adults
- And much more.....



Syra and I have already conducted reviews in other schools and Mireille and Richard will be going next half term. This is such a valuable way of understanding other schools and sharing ideas and practice. Whilst this is not an Ofsted inspection, it's a helpful process for schools, especially Outstanding schools currently exempt from inspection. There are twenty Camden Schools part of Challenge Partners so lots of information to share.

## PE kit/bookbag update

The PE kit/bookbag orders are now going to be handled by the Office team and they will be running it like a shop which will be open Tuesday mornings from 8:45—9:30 and Wednesday afternoon's from 3:00—3:45 every week and will start after half term.

You can order your PE kits via email [pe@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk](mailto:pe@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk), you will get a reply to let you know when to come and collect it. The order form will be on the school website under 'School Info' > 'Letters Home'.

## Activity Passport

The Department of Education have launched an Activity Passport which has a range of suggestions for things children should experience during each year of children's primary education. Follow this link at:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/772070/My\\_Activity\\_Passport.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/772070/My_Activity_Passport.pdf)



## Attendance

FINALLY a week above 95%!!

We're finishing this half term with 94.20% which is what I was expecting.

Overall since the start of this academic year, we're at 95.33% which is a great result, just have to keep it up!

EYFS: 96.57% KSI – KS2: 94.71%

(I'm sure KSI – KS2 will do better next half term).

WELL DONE TO TADPOLES 100%

WELL DONE TO BEETLES 99.33%

WELL DONE TO BATS 96.33%

Thank you all for your support! Have a lovely break.

## Friends of Primrose Hill



Tuesday 5th March pop up pancake parlour.

Thursday 28th March sponsored bounce. Forms will be going out after half term.

Saturday 29th June Summer fair 12 till 4pm

Monday's pop up menu: Meat or veggie Spaghetti Bolognese & Carrot and Coriander soup

Chicken Hotdogs and Juice on Friday



## Garden Corner

As we wait for spring to arrive and brighten up the garden with flowers we have been finding other ways to make the garden beautiful. We made some lovely bird feeders for our garden visitors by stringing cranberries onto twine and hanging them from the pear tree and we have also been making braids to decorate the trees (We're guerrilla braiders).

Some of the gardeners have also been building this week too, they constructed a wall around one of the wild flower meadow beds with some left over bricks. The brick pile turned out to be a fabulous habitat for all manner of invertebrates which generated some lively zoological discussion.



## Easyfundraising.org.uk

Every penny helps! With this in mind please check out the website:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/primhill/>

The school makes money simply by you shopping at no extra cost to you. We need as many supporters as possible so tell your friends and family. Let us see if we can be the most profitable school!

## Handwriting Workshop Reminder

Thursday 28th February

9:00 – 10:00 am

Please sign up in the office



**Class Assemblies** Please make a note in your diaries for these important dates.



Bats 28th Mar. at 2:30

Squirrels 22nd Mar. at 2:30

Heron & Kestrels - Y6

End of Year Show

Thurs 4th July

## The Tate Year 3 Project

Today the year 3 children had their photos taken for the Tate Year 3 project. They were very excited meeting the photographers David and Claire and asking questions about the project and the artist Steve McQueen.



Every Year 3 class across the capital has been invited to take part in the largest group portrait ever made and to see their class photograph among thousands of others in a vast exhibition at the prestigious Tate Britain in central London.

The photo will appear as part of the free public exhibition at Tate Britain from November 2019 to May 2020 along with thousands of other class photographs from primary schools London-wide.

We can't wait to see it.



## Coming up Dates:

18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March Consultation Day – EYFS**

**Closed All Day / KSI & KS2 Closes at 1pm**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April End of Spring Term—1:30pm Finish**

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April

Half Term

**First Day Spring 2**

Curiosity Week Begins

2:45 Y6 Writing Workshop

9–10am Handwriting Workshop

9 am Ladybirds Maths Workshops

World Book Day

Y4 to CLC Trip

Y3 Trip to Neasden Temple

2:30 Squirrels Class Assembly

6-8pm Camden Choir Festival

2:30 Bats Class Assembly

National Autism Week

Y1 to London Buddhist Centre

First Day Summer Term