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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! Year 2 have made a great start to the year so far. Most children are coming upstairs independently and they are settling well into new class routines. They are ready for new learning and are looking forward to engaging with a new curriculum.

Reading

Year 2 children will change their books every day and will also be visiting the school library weekly, on Thursdays. Your child will be told what colour take-home reader they should be reading and should bring this colour book home every day. Once they are reading these fluently, they will move up to the next colour band, so please let us know how they get on. If the book is short and read in one evening, children should change their books daily. Once the children are reading longer books, the books will only need to be changed when they finish the whole book. We will be talking about reading routines in more detail at our Curriculum Morning on **Tuesday 10th September**.

Please ensure that your child brings in their book bag **every day** to make the most of this opportunity. To accompany their reading at home, children should use their new Reading Record books. Please add comments about your child's reading to the book or encourage your child to respond to what they have read. This parental input re-enforces to the children how important it is to read daily and impacts on their progress.

PE

Year 2 will have **PE sessions on a Friday** and children will need to come to school in their PE kit on this day. They will also have an extra lesson on Mondays. They don't need to wear their PE kits for this but should comfortable clothes and trainers.

Topic and Trips

This term's topic is London. We will be doing lots of exciting learning around this theme during the half term, before our focus changes to London in the past. We'll be making the most of our local views of London by sketching the skyline from Primrose Hill.

Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance and punctuality is crucial as continuous absence and lateness will result in your child missing important teacher instructions and learning. To encourage the children to become more independent in Year 2, please remember to say goodbye to them **in the playground** in the morning and then send them up to their classroom alone.

Website and Home Learning www.primrosehill.camden.sch.uk

We will place news items on the school website to keep you informed about learning taking place in Year 2 and across the school. Home learning will be updated weekly through the Year 2 Google Classroom - please make time to check this with your child **every Friday** to consolidate their school learning. We will also be sending home paper copies.

We are looking forward to a busy and exciting term with you and your children. If you have any concerns or queries please feel free to discuss them with us. We will be available to speak to you on a **Monday afternoon at 3:15pm** in the playground, or as usual at 3:30pm when all the children have left.

Dates for the diary

Curriculum meeting - Tuesday 10th September 8.45-9.45

Parents Open Afternoon - Thursday 17th October

Becca and Chrystal

Team Year 2

Thank you for your support and we look forward to working with you this year.

Head Teacher: Robin Warren