



Primrose Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Challenge Partners

We had some visitors this week who undertook a Quality Assurance review of our school as part of the Challenge Partners programme. This was led by an ofsted inspector plus three senior leaders from other UK Schools. Our visitors were very impressed with the school and for the third year running, judged us outstanding and 'leading' in terms of provision for the children. One visitor said, 'coming into this school is like a metaphorical hug'. I will share the report when it arrives, but want to say a big thank you to the staff who do a great job each and every day, and to the children who showed themselves at their best. **Robin**

Attendance

I will be writing to parents whose children's attendance has fallen below 90%. If your child has 90% attendance in a year, it means they have missed 20 days absence! This is four weeks of school. If it drops to 85%, then this is 30 days – six weeks of school time. This has a direct impact on learning, what children miss and their confidence in coming to school knowing they have missed lots of work.

100% Day is coming back! All classes with 100% attendance on 12th March will have 10 mins of extra play. We're going to be promoting this throughout school until then so keep it in your diaries.

We've updated the attendance board so children can keep up with who is in the lead to win the prizes, but for now..

WELL DONE TO DRAGONFLIES AND WOODPECKERS FOR THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK!

Mosaic Project

This resumes next week with Y2 and Y3 making mosaic representations of their class logo to be displayed as a permanent installation in the playground.



Staffing News

We are looking to recruit a new Site Supervisor for after half term, as Conor Grogan will be leaving for a new job. Conor commutes all the way from Welwyn Garden City each day, so has found a job nearer to his home. If you know of anyone who may be interested in this post, the information is on our 'vacancies' section of our website!

PE Kit Reminder

PE is a compulsory part of the curriculum and we require your child on their PE day to wear the appropriate kit for these lessons.

The correct kit for these lessons are:

- ◆ Plain **black shorts**;
- ◆ White t-shirt with our **school logo**;
- ◆ Black crew neck jumper with our **school logo**.
- ◆ **Suitable trainers**.



The school sells white logo t-shirts and black logo crew neck jumpers every Tuesday from 9:00am to 9:30am and every Wednesday from 3:00pm - 3:45pm.

We'd like to remind parents to ensure they have labelled their child's clothing very clearly to avoid accidentally misplacing so it can be returned to its rightful owner.

Stars of the Week

★	Dragonflies – William & Amicie	★
★	Butterflies – Valerie & Sara	★
★	Grasshoppers – Lia + Amir	★
★	Beetles – Poppy & Reis	★
★	Bats – Richie & Teyha	★
★	Squirrels – Archie and La'shae	★
★	Hedgehogs – Kai and Berta	★
★	Foxes – Nuri & Bertina	★
★	Blackbirds – Herbie & Danny	★
★	Woodpeckers – Tahira & Zahir	★
★	Hérons – Hasan & James	★
★	Kestrels – Dylan & Eddy	★

Parent Consultations Wednesday 11th March



Please add this important date to your diary!

School will be Closed All Day for EYFS

(Tadpoles, Froglets and Ladybirds)

and will Close at 1PM for Y1 to Y6.

Froglets 2020

If you (or anyone you know) have a child born between **1st Sept 2016 – 31st Aug 2017**, please make sure you apply for a place into our 3-4 y/o Nursery, Froglets class.

Your child may be entitled for additional 15 hours free early education and childcare – please follow the link for further info:

<https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-and-education-for-2-to-4-year-olds>

Or see Lyra or Ilijana in the office if you need further information on how to apply.

The deadline for you to apply for a September 2020 space is 14th February 2020.



Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards

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20 January 2020

Dear Mr Warren,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on the very high level of progress that pupils in your school demonstrated in the reading, writing and mathematics Key Stage 2 assessments last year.

Your school's results, as published on 13 December, show progress scores of 5.5, 2.9 and 5.7 in reading, writing and mathematics respectively. This means that in terms of the progress your pupils make between Key Stage 1 and the end of Key Stage 2, your school is amongst the top 3 per cent of primary schools in the country.

The Government wants to ensure that every child has the fluency in reading, writing and mathematics necessary to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, which is why I was delighted to see your results.

Thank you for your work in continuing the drive towards higher academic standards, and congratulations again to you and your staff for your commitment and success.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards