

Primrose Hill Primary School

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome Back! We hope you and your child/ren had a restful and enjoyable half term holiday and managed to enjoy the lovely weather we have been having. We've nearly made it to the end of this academic year and are so proud of all the achievements the children have had during this very challenging year. We are excited about our last half term together and have planned many fun activities. This letter will outline some of the important details about this half of Summer Term, please also read the letter that was sent to you last Friday by Phil.

Punctuality & Attendance:

It continues to be really important that children arrive and are collected promptly according to the timings below to support social distancing and to keep everyone as safe as possible. A reminder that adults and carers should be wearing a mask when collecting their child.

Contacting the school is more crucial than ever at the moment; it is vital that you call or email the school if your child or any other member of your family develops Covid symptoms and/or you are isolating:

0207 772 8500 or email admin@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk

Attendance is compulsory for all children, but we understand that some absences may occur. Again, regular contact and communication to our office about illness and medical appointments is crucial.

Please see our website for our Attendance Policy and Addendum Policy.

Start Time and Gate: 9:00 am at the Froglets entrance

Exit Time from the Froglets classroom: 3:30 pm

Please remember our liaison morning is Monday at 8:45am in the Froglets outdoor classroom

Contacting the School:

Please call the school office if you have any questions on 020 7722 8500 or email on admin@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk if you do need to come *into* the office you must use the gate entrance from the street and not come in through the school. Please follow social distancing and sanitise your hands once inside and wear a mask. You can request to meet Phil or one of the SLT from the main school office or email admin@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk

Curriculum Overview:

This half term's topic is Journeys. We will be focusing on the stories 'I Want a Cuddle' by Malorie Blackman, 'Mr Postmouse Goes on Holiday' by Marianne Dubuc and 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen. We are hoping to end this topic with a journey to Regent's Park (on foot), spotting the different modes of transport along the way. We will take a picnic lunch to have there.

Also we will be preparing the children for their transition into Reception, meeting their new teachers and visiting their new classrooms, another important journey that they will be making.

Phonics

We have started to teach phase 2 sounds from 'Letters and Sounds' (s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k, ck). This half term, we will be continuing with e, u, r, h, b, f, l. There will also be a focus on recognising, reading and writing their name and numerals 0 to 10.

Reading

We are continuing with a reading day every week and your child will bring home 2 new books to share each week. Your child's reading day is Tuesday.

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If you haven't already bought a book bag these can be purchased from the office for £3.50. You will see inside their book bag your child's reading diary. Please take time to share it with them and support them to evaluate their experience by colouring in the smiley face. They will be rewarded with a stamp the following week if they have done this. There is also a space for you to share your own thoughts/comments and the adults in class will respond.

Please continue to use **Reading Eggs** at home to support your child with reading and access to a wider variety of books. If you have any questions please feel free to come and speak to one of us.

Toys at school

Please remind your child that we discourage them from bringing in their own toys to school. They can easily be lost or broken and this causes much upset.

Dressing for school

It is really important during these Summer months that your child is wearing suitable clothing. Please dress your child in clothes that are practical for the classroom and ensure your child's clothing is named. Please wear suitable shoes that your child can take on and off independently. Velcro straps are preferable to laces and also closed toe shoes / sandals are more practical and safe.

The children spend a lot of time in Nursery outdoors so please make sure they have a named sunhat on warmer days. We are also very lucky to have our new mud kitchen. If you have any spare wellie boots at home that you don't need any more, we can add them to our collection. There are times the children have accidents or get dirty or wet so please leave a change of clothing on their peg.

Please apply sunscreen to your child **before** they come to school in the morning. We cannot apply sunscreen to your child and they are not able to do it themselves.

As part of our safety precautions in school, we are keeping the windows and doors open in our classroom to ensure the room is ventilated.

Water and fruit

We provide fruit for the children, though each child will need their own **named bottle of water** each day. We will be able to refill them when needed.

Healthy Eating/Malleable Play

Cooking with children offers a wide variety of learning experiences, for example Numeracy, Communication and Language, Understanding the World and Physical Development can all be taught in one cooking session. To help support this, we ask for a voluntary contribution of **50p** a week, where we will be able to buy the ingredients and resources needed. We will place a donation jar outside the classroom, or if you prefer, this adds up to £3.50 over the half term, where you can make your contribution in one go rather than finding coins each week. We really appreciate your support, thank you!

Communication:

For further information, please make sure you regularly check the school website www.primrosehill.sch.uk Here, you can find the school's Risk Assessment on the News page - this will be continually updated in response to the most up to date guidance from the Government as well as our remote learning

Early Years Assessment - class teachers will continue to moderate children's learning and attainment based on the 17 areas of learning within their age band.

All children in every year group will receive assessments around their attainment on their end of year report.

And finally...

A reminder that our aim is for your child to become a confident, motivated and independent learner. Remind them to 'have a go' at things they find difficult. Try to refrain from doing things for them and tell them 'you can do it'. Remember that mistakes are marvellous and are the way we learn how to do things. Praise all of your child's successes and encourage them to make decisions and choices about the experiences and learning they do outside of school.

Please do remember to come and speak to us during our liaison time if you have any questions.

Many thanks,

Sophie T and the Froglets Team

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