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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: 8:45am at the Scooter gate

Exit Time from the Lower playground: 3:15pm

We have not had a huge turn out during our liaison mornings - please make use of this time to talk to us about your child/ren - this can be related to their progress, behaviour or general wellbeing. Just come and say hello, we always look forward to having a chat with you!

Grasshopper's liaison morning: Thursday 8:45am-9am on the lower playground

Beetle's liaison morning: Friday 8:45am-9am on the lower playground

Contacting the School:

Head Teacher: Phil Allman

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Curriculum Overview:

We will continue to adapt the curriculum this half term and beyond to meet the needs of our learners - whilst ensuring it remains broad and balanced. This half term's focus will be **History, Geography & Computing** and our topic is **Childhood: Then & Now**.

Below is our Summer 2 Curriculum overview with more information.

PE:

Your child's PE session with Jordan & Dean will continue to be every **Tuesday**. Children need to come into school in their PE kits on this day. During these sessions, Jordan & Dean will be social distancing from all children in the class. Teaching Assistants from their class bubble will attend these sessions and will administer any first aid required. All equipment will be suitably sanitised between groups and contact sport will be avoided when possible.

They will also have an extra PE lesson on **Thursday**. They don't need to wear their PE kits for this but should wear comfortable clothes and trainers.

Music:

Music sessions with Tom are being held in the hall to provide extra space for these sessions. As with PE, Tom will be social distancing from all classes and will be supported by the Teaching Assistants from their class bubble. Recorders and other wind instruments will not be used, and all other equipment will be suitably sanitised between groups and suitable music activities chosen.

Home Learning:

We have been assigning home learning for all of the children every **Friday** on our Google Classroom. If you have any difficulties accessing this please speak to a member of the Year 2 team. Alongside this, you can also continue with reading, practicing Maths skills through games and online websites, focusing on fluency of number, and practicing handwriting and spelling.

Reading

We will still have a book corner in our classrooms where the children will be able to select books and read during guided reading sessions, though the shared library will not be in use.

As reading is a priority for all children, the school has also invested in **Reading Eggs** online reading programme - all children should have a login and be confident using the programme. If you have any questions or difficulties getting access, we are happy to help!

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This half term, we will be sending your child home with three reading books; two will be matched to their reading colour to read independently and one will be chosen from our class book corner to share. We will be sending home reading diaries from next week. These are for you to record your child's daily reading so that they can bring them in to show us each morning and enable us to celebrate their reading in class. Please do write in them every time your child reads. Alternatively, you can have your child write a comment and you sign your name. Whatever works for you as a family. **Your child can now bring in their books on any day to change them for new ones.**

Water & Dressing for school:

It is really important during these Summer months that your child is wearing suitable clothing; as we know the weather in the UK changes daily. We encourage you to dress your child in clothes that are practical for the classroom and ensure your child's clothing is named. Please remember during the summer months wearing sunscreen, covering shoulders and wearing a hat (if possible) are important.

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.

Please remember to send your child into school with a bottle of water.

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

Assessment:

As a school, we continue to assess children using both formative and summative assessments. This includes:

- using our knowledge of the children from observing them through guided, paired and independent learning
- moderating their learning by looking through children's books & any other work
- using end of year objectives to help assess children's attainment

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

Year 2 End of Key Stage 1 Assessment

The children have been working on end of Year 2 objectives. We will use work in books, observations of children's learning and some past SATs papers - we will call them 'quizzes' - to help us assess where children are in reading, writing and maths. These quizzes will be completed in smaller groups and will be a relaxed and positive experience for the children.

Events & Trips (Covid regulations permitting!):

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The sense of being almost back to normality is palpable. We are so close and yet still a distance away. However, we are planning for as normal a second half of Summer Term as possible and this includes a number of events and school trips. These are the provisional trips & events we are planning:

- A trip to the park for some end of year fun and to complete some Science & Art activities

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

Many thanks,

Sophie, Chrystal & Phoebe
The Year 2 Team

Head Teacher: Phil Allman

Year 2

Summer 2 Overview for Parents & Carers

Our termly overviews are going to look a bit different this year as we focus on re-establishing and embedding new routines and expectations, rebuilding our community and relationships and focusing on the wellbeing of our pupils, their families and our staff. Curriculum wise this will mean ongoing and constant assessment; identifying and addressing gaps, particularly in Maths and English, will be the priority. Below is an outline for the first half of the Summer Term. Thank you, the Year 2 Team.

Our topic in Year 2 this half term will be 'Childhood: Then & Now'	
English	<p>English teaching and learning will be made up of English sessions, Guided Reading sessions and phonics/spelling sessions. Lessons will be planned in response to the children and adapted to their needs.</p> <p>Our books this half term: Ellie & the Cat by Malorie Blackman</p> <p>Our focus this half term is going to be on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- An author study on Malorie Blackman- Writing sentences that are correctly punctuated- Recognising different types of sentences e.g. question, exclamation, command, statement- Using drama and oracy to understand a text- Using evidence from a text to answer retrieval and inference questions and make predictions
Maths	<p>Maths teaching and learning will be constantly adapted in response to the children's needs.</p> <p>Our focus this half term is going to be on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Reviewing our learning so far in Year 2- Adding and subtracting using formal methods, including crossing tens and hundreds- Representing multiplication and division using pictures and calculations- Solving problems, including word problems- The names of 2D and 3D shapes and their properties- Introducing the concept of $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ using shapes and amounts
Wider Curriculum	<p>Circle Time sessions once a week</p> <p>PSHE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Differences between males and female- Naming body parts correctly- Growing from young to old and discussing how we change- Discussing different types of families and sharing how our home life is special- Understanding pride and sharing ways that we are proud of ourselves and others <p>History</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Exploring the life of children in Victorian Britain at school and at home- Using different historical sources to find out information- Comparing their knowledge to the present day and other periods studied <p>Computing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Understand what an algorithm is- Create and debug simple programs e.g. games <p>Music</p> <p>Alongside learning lots of songs and music games, we will be learning how to read music and play the xylophone. We will also continue to understand different pitches and learn how to play songs 'by ear'.</p> <p>PE</p> <p>This half term we will continue focusing on gross motor skill development such as, running, jumping and hopping to name a few, as well as a focus on hand-coordination games and activities.</p>

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