

Monday 13th September 2021

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are delighted to welcome you and your children to Year 6 and to begin a successful year of learning. We will also be preparing a video to introduce the year group, class teams and give you a little more information about the curriculum. You will receive further information about this.

Year 6 - Class Teaching Teams

Kestrels	Herons
Marianne Mattinson	Nabila Harti
Intissar Dardak (Kestrels)	Sabena Hilliard (Herons) Suleha Khan (Herons) Iuli Rukmin (Herons)
The support staff will work across both classes but their base class is in brackets.	

Other Key Staff:

PE Team - Jordan & Dean Music - Tom Higher Level Teaching Assistants - Isabel Murphy and Sandra Grogan

Punctuality & Attendance

It continues to be really important that children arrive and are collected promptly.

START OF THE DAY - A reminder that we have returned to the *Soft Start* system at the beginning of the school day. All children will be welcomed through the main gate between 8:45 - 9:00am each morning. After 9:00am the gate will be closed and any latecomers will need to come through the main school office.

END OF THE DAY - Children will be in the playground when the gates open at 3:25pm. There will be no need to queue down Princess Road but please be mindful of the numbers of people entering the school site at the end of the day and to maintain social distancing as much as possible. Parents & Carers are not authorised on site outside of these times unless through appointment.

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

If your child has Covid 19 symptoms, it remains very important to keep them at home and contact school until they receive the results of a PCR test.

Head Teacher: Phil Allman

The Office:

Please call the school office if you have any questions. 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.

PE and Music

Your child's PE and Music sessions with Jordan, Dean and Tom will be every Thursday. Children need to come into school in their PE kits on this day. Teaching Assistants from their class will attend these sessions and will administer any first aid required.

Reading

We will still have a book corner in our classrooms where the children will be able to select books for the Y6 Reading Challenge. These books will go home each day and the children are expected to read at home for 20-30 minutes everyday. Please ensure that they make time every evening to do this. Reading Challenge books must come back to school everyday as they will also be using them in class.

Curriculum

This half term's focus is Rivers and The Water Cycle. Attached is our Autumn 1 Curriculum overview with more information.

Home Learning

We will launch Home Learning and the use of Google Classroom in Week 3. Home Learning will be going out on Fridays and will be expected back at school the following Wednesday. In the meantime, please continue to read everyday and practise Maths skills through games and online websites, focusing on fluency of number and practise handwriting and spelling.

Water & Dressing for school

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

We encourage you to dress your child in clothes that are practical for the classroom and ensure your child's clothing is named. As we are now heading into Autumn, please make sure that your child comes to school with a long sleeved coat, preferably with a hood or hat.

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 make sure your child comes in with layers to wear, including a warm jumper.

For further information, please make sure you regularly check the school website <u>www.primrosehill.sch.uk</u>

We are looking forward to a busy and exciting half term with you and your children. If you have any concerns or queries, please feel free to make an appointment with us to discuss them.

Many Thanks,

Marianne and Nabila The Year 6 Team