

Primrose Hill Primary School

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Dear Parents & Carers,

We are delighted to welcome you back to school and into Year 1! The Butterflies & Dragonflies have had a busy and exciting start to term, and it has been a pleasure getting to know them.

Teaching Team: **Sophie Tait & Hatty Bennett**

Support Team: Ardiana Statovci, Bujar Publica, Gem Saunders, Kim Squires

For more information about the team and Year 1, please look out for the Meet the Team videos heading your way shortly.

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 - School ends at 3:30pm and the gates will 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. Please collect your child from outside their classroom.

Currently, 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.

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

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.

Head Teacher: Phil Allman

Additional Key Teaching Staff:

PE Team - Jordan & Dean

Music - Tom

Higher Level Teaching Assistants - Heather Healy, Isabel Murphy, Sandra Grogan & Maggie Muir

PE & Music

Your child's PE & Music session will be every Wednesday. Children need to come into school in their PE kits on this day. PE will be held outside where possible so please make sure your child wears their PE jumper. Please ensure these are labelled with their names!

Reading

We will have daily reading sessions in school, and each child will read with the class teacher once a week. Your child will be given a guided reading book and a book from the library to take home every week. They will also be given a home/school reading diary, which will explain the reading activity to complete at home. Please make sure you check/comment on this regularly. Children should be reading at home every day and need to bring their book bag in every day.

As reading is a priority for all children, the school has also invested in **Reading Eggs** online reading programme - all children should have received a log in already, but you can ask in the office if you have mislaid this.

Curriculum

This half term's focus is Space! We will be doing lots of exciting learning around this theme during the half term. Talk to your children about what space is and find out all you can (e.g. the planets, space travel, aliens etc.) We will also be going on local trips to the canal and parks to explore the area where we live and to investigate and learn about the four seasons. Attached is our Autumn 1 Curriculum overview with more information.

Home Learning

Your child will be given a plastic wallet with their home learning every 2 weeks. This will include a maths, topic and phonics/spellings activity which they will have 1 week to complete. Please read through the instructions carefully with your child and support them to complete the activities in the time given.

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 they come to school with a long sleeved coat, preferably with a hood or hat. Unless arrangements have been made with your child's class teacher, please leave toys at home.

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 as the weather gets cooler.

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

We look forward to another busy and exciting year!

Many Thanks,

Sophie T & Hatty, and the rest of the Year 1 Team

Head Teacher: Phil Allman