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Monday 7th March

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to school, we hope you had a lovely holiday and are looking forward to a great term. We have lots of fabulous learning planned for this half term and overleaf you will find our Spring 2 Curriculum overview with more information about what we will be learning in class and herein some more details about plans this term.

Curriculum

This half term's focus is **Forces**. We will also be continuing our topic on **Ancient Greece**. Overleaf you will find more details about the subjects and objectives we will be covering.

Reading

Every child should be **reading at home daily** and recording what they have read in their reading record books. Adults in class will acknowledge reading response books once a week with a stamp, so it is important that they are brought into school every day.

For children reading coloured level books:	For children reading chapter books:
Children should be reading daily at home and changing their books as often as needed (up to every day). We will be supporting the children to become independent with changing their reading books in the classroom during Year 3. These children should be reading with an adult daily at home, who can complete their reading record book with them to show what they have read.	We will support children to select any suitably challenging books of their choice, which could be from the class book corner, the library or provided at home. These children should still be reading daily but will be more independent with their reading and may read independently or with an adult. Children can fill out their own reading record books to show what they have been reading.

You can also still use our **Reading Eggs** online programme to support your child's reading. Please let your child's teacher know if you need your login details again.

Home Learning

Home learning, including spelling words, will be posted on **Google Classroom every Friday**. Please complete and submit by Thursdays so it can be shared and celebrated in class. The spelling test will take place on Thursday or Friday each week.

Parental Engagement

As restrictions are easing in wider society, we anticipate that we will soon be able to invite parents and families into the building to restart some of our regular events from before the pandemic, including our parent workshops and opportunities to see your child's work and classroom. We will be in touch soon with further details about these opportunities in the next few weeks.

Head Teacher: Phil Allman

PE & Music

Your child's PE & Music session will be every **Thursday**. 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.

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 gate rather than the vehicle entrance.

END OF THE DAY - Children will be in the playground when the gates open at 3:25pm. There is 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. We are aware restrictions are ending in society but it is important we remain cautious up to the end of this term.

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.

Despite the guidance on Covid 19 changing over the next few weeks we have been provided with DfE guidance up to the point tests cannot be accessed freely. This is as follows:

If children show any symptoms whilst they are in school we will still be sending them home.

- Anyone with symptoms should take a PCR test, stay at home and follow government guidance if positive
- People who have tested positive will continue to be advised to stay at home for five full days and then receive two negative test results on consecutive days before returning to their workplace or setting
- Anyone with one or more symptoms of coronavirus - a high temperature, a new continuous cough; or a loss or change in sense of smell or taste - should self-isolate and book a test or call 119

This will be subject to change as the term goes on and Phil will update you over the coming weeks about any adaptations to this.

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

Additional Key Teaching Staff:

PE Team - Jordan

Music - Tom

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

Water & Dressing for school

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

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We encourage you to dress your child in clothes that are practical for the classroom and ensure your child's clothing is named. We may be in spring but the weather as we have seen has been variable!, Please make sure that your child comes to school with a long sleeved coat, preferably with a hood or hat, suitable for every kind of weather.

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.

Communication

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

If you would like to speak to the teacher, you can email the school admin and they will be in touch directly.

We look forward to another fantastic half term of learning!

Many Thanks,

Alice, Emma and Sophie
The Year 3 Team

Head Teacher: Phil Allman

