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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the Summer Term 2022 at Primrose Hill. We hope everyone enjoyed the Easter holidays and you were able to spend some time with family and friends. The children have returned refreshed and ready for the summer term ahead.

This final term of the academic year is filled with many exciting projects, themes and activities. We will be enjoying the warmer weather and venturing outside for a host of community and sporting events. We will be adding bespoke events over the term for parents to come into school by year group. In the meantime, please see the key events of the term below for your diaries:

9th July - Summer Fair

11th July - EYFS, Years 1 & 2 Sports Day

12th July - Y5 Sports Day (arranged due to Y5 trip having to be booked during the latter part of that week)

13th July - Years 3, 4&6 Sports Day



Attendance & Punctuality

Currently the school's punctuality ranks poorly against other local schools. It is absolutely essential that we work together as a community to rapidly improve this. As we are sure you will already know, academic success and wellbeing is directly linked to good attendance and punctuality.

We are also seeking to improve our attendance and will contact families whose attendance is below the local authority and national average. Our target is to ensure that all children access their right to education. With the summer months and warmer weather we hope that there is less illness in order to ensure the best possible attendance at school.



Ramadan Mubarak

Ramadan Mubarak to everyone who is observing this important period. Parents and carers of older children (Year 4 -6) will have received a letter regarding fasting at school during this special period to make any necessary arrangements.



Enrichment

We are gradually expanding our offer of after school clubs (this has been challenging due to staffing and covid secure spaces, however watch this space). We will also continue to take advantage of community resources and continue to make links and visit London Zoo. We have also made links with 'ArtBytes' through a local art competition and Labtech the owners of Camden Market who have kindly helped fund additional aspects of our residentials this year.

Clearly our Summer Fair is fast approaching and we want to involve as much of the school and wider community as possible in that. Watch this space for further details!

Covid-19 - NEW guidance

Following the government changes to testing please be advised of the procedures for illness and suspected Covid 19:

<u>Adults</u>

Adults who have a positive COVID-19 test result, try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for **<u>5 days</u>** after the day you took your test. At the end of this period, if you have a high temperature or feel unwell, try to follow this advice until you feel well enough to resume normal activities and you no longer have a high temperature if you had one.

Although many people will no longer be infectious to others after 5 days, some people may be infectious to other people for up to 10 days from the start of their infection. You should avoid meeting people at higher risk of becoming seriously unwell from COVID-19, especially <u>those whose immune system means that they are at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19</u>, despite <u>vaccination</u>, for 10 days after the day you took your test.

Children and young people

If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should not attend nursery or school and avoid contact with other people for <u>3 days</u> after the day they took the test. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is

much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

Term Dates and INSET days

The updated term dates for 2022-23 are published on the school website. Please do refer to the term dates when arranging holidays, as leave during term time cannot be authorised in accordance with the school's Attendance Policy. Please note the change to the term dates this summer term, which we informed you of last term in a December newsletter. As you may be aware, an extra bank holiday has been announced for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The Department for Education has therefore amended the Education Regulations to recommend that schools close that day or on another day. As the Bank Holiday falls within the half term, we will be finishing Summer term as usual at 1.30pm on **Thursday 21st July.**

We hope the term is an exciting and successful one for our children.

Yours sincerely,

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Phil Allman Head Teacher