

Primrose Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Welcome back to the final half term of the academic year! It's been quite a week at Primrose Hill, with lots of things happening after the half term break. On Monday in our whole school assembly we looked at World Environment Day and what small things we could do to contribute to this year's theme 'Only One Earth'. Ideas like reducing single use plastics, thinking about how to conserve water and walking to school were all discussed. The emphasis was on how important it is for the children's generation to recognise how they can address these issues now, because it is they who will be dealing with the results in 50 years' time!

Wednesday saw the excited departure of our Year 6s going off on their School Journey adventure – something that has been sorely missed for the last two years, because it is a wonderful opportunity for the children to experience things we cannot give them in school. Amazing activities like raft building, dragon boat racing, abseiling, bouldering, quad biking, giant swings, archery and zip wires to name but a few. All this with the added excitement of sleeping with their friends in their own chalet (carefully supervised by 9 well-seasoned members of school staff plus the staff and instructors at the centre). It is wonderful to have seen the photos of the children's smiling faces, full of enthusiasm and satisfaction, clearly thriving on the new challenges they have faced together. They will return home with memories that will last a lifetime!

Meanwhile, back in school, the remaining Year 6s have also been taking part in their own exciting activities: ten pin bowling, becoming expert pastry chefs, picnicking in the park and visiting the Zoo.

All these exciting events are a clear indication that normality is no longer just on the horizon, but back with a bang!

Year 6 School Journey

They all had a fabulous time! Please check our [website](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) page for all the fun activities they had!



Attendance Matters



Attendance Updates

Our whole school attendance for this week has dropped slightly to **92.88%**, and it is below our target of **96%**, please continue to strive for 100% attendance.

Well Done to Foxes, who had the highest attendance this week- **98.88%**.

Children who arrived late for school this week remained at 122, this figure continues to be extremely high and equates to over 20 hours of lost learning time. We will continue to send reminder texts, letters and invite parents in for meetings.

Soft start is from 8.45-9am. The gate will continue to close promptly at 9am and all those who arrive after this time will be recorded late and will need to enter through the office.

If your child arrives to school after 9.15am this is marked as an unauthorised late.

We appreciate you all making a huge effort to arrive at school before 9am.



Instagram Page

Follow us [@primrosehillprimaryschool](https://www.instagram.com/primrosehillprimaryschool)

We have a NEW Instagram account! Please search for primrosehillprimaryschool on Instagram and follow the one with the picture of the school. This will give updates of all things that are taking place in school over the weeks and months!

Your local primary school - Primrose Hill - are holding our favourite annual event and are hoping for support from our local businesses.

The Summer Fair Saturday 2nd July from 12pm to 4pm (in the school grounds)



We are hoping to raise as much money as possible to go towards supporting the school's children and families. In particular, any contributions to/donations toward the raffle prizes would be hugely appreciated (this can also serve the purpose of advertising your services or company to our large school community).

As always, we are grateful for your help. If you would like any more information, please do call the school or email the contact below.

Thank you,

Friends of Primrose Hill
admin@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk



THE FRANCIS CRICK INSTITUTE

Discovery Day

11 JUNE 2022

10:00 - 16:00

The Francis Crick Institute

Public Event

Come down to the Crick this Saturday for Discovery Day
Free day of pop-up science fun for all the family. 10:00 - 16:00

www.crick.ac.uk/discoveryday

Join us at the Crick for a packed day of pop-up science fun. Create your own fake poo experiment, make an apple sing, take the sniff challenge and become a DNA detective for a day... there's something for everyone. With hands on activities, explosive science shows, gross experiments, food, drink and so much more. And it's free!

PRIMROSE HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL LUNCH MONEY

SUMMER TERM 2022

PER DAY	£ 2.29
PER WEEK	£ 11.45
FIRST HALF TERM (26 DAYS)	£ 59.54
SECOND HALF TERM (34 DAYS)	£ 77.86
WHOLE TERM (60 DAYS)	£137.40

- ❖ Payment is online only through your **SchoolMoney** account
- ❖ Payments must be made **in advance**: weekly, half termly or for the whole term
- ❖ Anyone wishing to change to or from school lunch is required to give **2 weeks'** notice to **Lisa or Tara** in the office in writing (letter or email) admin@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk

❖ If you think you may be eligible for free school meals, please apply through the Camden website:
<https://www.camden.gov.uk/free-school-meals/ixst>

If your application is successful, please let the school know as soon as you receive your confirmation. *Please note, free school meals cannot be backdated - but will only apply from the date the school receives official confirmation from Camden - so don't delay!*

Pupils in **Key Stage 1 (Reception, Years 1 and 2)** are all automatically entitled to Universal Free School Meals - however, if you are in receipt of benefits please do apply to Camden as above, as you may be eligible for Non-Universal Free School Meals, for which the school receives additional funding for resources etc.

However, pupils in **Nursery (Froglots)** and **Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6)** have to pay for meals unless they have applied for free school meals through the Camden website and are found to be eligible.

School Dinner Payment

A reminder please to always ensure you are paying for lunches in advance - not in arrears.

We are having a big push on lunch debts as sadly the school is not in a position to finance these.

Reminders will be going out weekly by text and email. Tara (Admissions & Attendance Officer) and Julia (School Business Manager) will be individually contacting those in arrears over the next week.

We do understand that these are difficult financial times for many of our families, so if you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, don't hesitate to contact the office and they will advise you on how to apply.

Please click [here](#) to make payments.



The Camden Clean Air Cycle 2022

This is another reminder about the upcoming [Camden Clean Air Cycle Ride](#) on **Sunday 12 June 2022 from 09:30am, with staggered departures from 10am to 12noon.**

The Camden Clean Air Cycle Ride is a friendly, non-competitive bike ride for the whole community to take part in, regardless of fitness level, to celebrate cycling, cleaner air, and the beautiful sights of Camden. This year we'll start and finish in the beautiful development at [Granary Square](#) and go round an amazing route that takes in many of the nicest spots in the borough.

At Camden Clean Air we would like everyone to take part in this community event and not owning a bike or being unsure of your fitness level should not stop you if you are keen to ride with us. For this reason, we are happy to announce that [Human Forest](#) are offering their electric bicycles to ride for free for up to three hours. This way we hope that cost will not be an issue - our ticket prices are really affordable - so please do not hesitate and sign up now using the QR code attached or heading to <https://camdencleanair.org/the-camden-clean-air-cycle-ride/>



Last day of term Thursday 21st July 2022 @ 1:30pm

Please make arrangement for your child/ren to be collected at 1:30pm on the last day of term, 21st July

Children are expected back to school on Monday 5th September 2022

Term Dates 2022 - 2023

Star Learners!

Tadpoles – Leni & Kasey

Froglets – Elliot and Deen

Ladybirds – Isaure & Kyle

Dragonflies – Daniil & Luat

Butterflies – Hugo & Harley

Grasshoppers – Henry & Emilia

Beetles – Maisie & Kamyar

Bats – Lexi & William

Squirrels – Sam & Zakaria A

Hedgehogs – Scarlett & Ruby

Foxes – Alice & Harry

Blackbirds – Bela and Adam

Woodpeckers – Serra, Sophia and Zakhar

Hérons – Julie and Nabil

Kestrels – Lily

EYFS...



Was it a dinosaur?

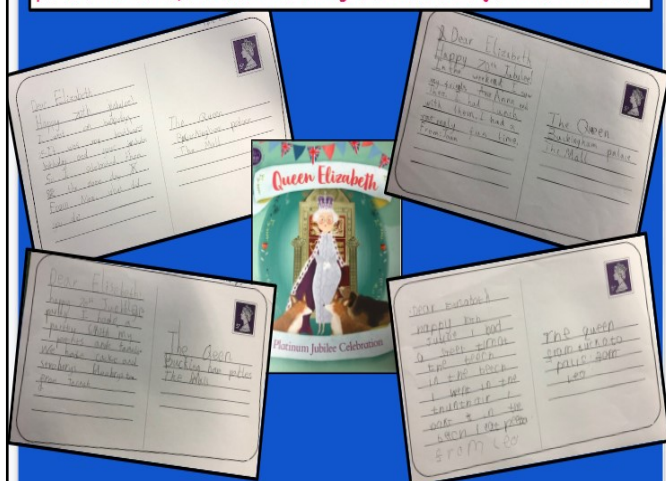


When the Froglets came into class on Tuesday we discovered a terrible mess. There were muddy footprints, straw and upturned chairs. We did some detective work to find out what animal might have made the prints and we decided that it was goats. The prints were different sizes. Then we found a letter from the goats. They are looking for a new home because there is not enough food where they live. It was very exciting and we wonder what might happen next... On Wednesday there was a postcard from the goats. They want some help working out how to cross the river without waking up the scary troll.



Year 1

Year 1 started to read the book gifted from the Queen. They then wrote a postcard to the Queen Elizabeth telling her about their jubilee celebrations!



Year 5 & 6...

Even though Y6 are away on School Journey, we thought we'd show you their amazing pillow cases! They've worked so hard on their designs and sewing skills, they look very cool and comfy!



Battle of the Bands!

Let's see who's won themselves 10 minutes extra break!

1	Y4 Hedgehogs	1,367
2	Y3 Bats	575
3	Y3 Squirrels	345
4	Y4 Foxes	277
5	Y6 Herons	169
5	Y2 Beetles	169
6	Y5 Blackbirds	127
7	Y5 Woodpeckers	108
8	Y2 Grasshoppers	93
9	Y6 Kestrels	31