# Primrose Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Last Day of Term Friday 16th December 2022 1:30 PM Finish

We close the school at 1:30pm on Friday 16th December 2022, please arrange for prompt collection.

School will reopen for children Wednesday 4th January 2023 8:45 am with a soft start.

#### **Meet Chair of Governor**

Harsha is inviting all the parents and carers to come in to meet with our Chair of Governors **Deborah Isaacs** on **Thursday 15th December at 9:00 am in the** middle hall.

Hope to see as many of you there.

Dear Primrose Hill Families,

I was delighted to see so much support for the Winter Fair! It was a fantastic event run by the Friends of Primrose Hill and spearheaded by Amal. To everyone that made this happen and supported the event, thank you. Thank you to the FoPH team for all of the fund raising they have carried out over the last term.













Another highlight was the Winter concerts; watching our pupils stand on stage and perform with such confidence was a real privilege. Well done to all the children in of Year 5, 4 and 1. I am really looking forward to next week's shows.

As part of our **Christmas lunch** we are also inviting the children to wear a festive jumper on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**, as we celebrate **Christmas Jumper day**, **which raises funds for Save the Children**. Humphrey will have a bucket at the gate, so you will be able to donate when you enter the school.

https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/about/sustainability-and-inclusivity

As always, attendance is always a priority. We are still receiving large numbers of requests for holidays within term time. These will be unauthorised except in exceptional circumstances. Please do support us with ensuring your child/ren are in school every day, right up until the last day of term.

We have had many successes with sports fixtures this week too. Our Bench ball team were fantastic and came back with a trophy. A huge congratulations to all those pupils. Who needs the World cup?

You may already be thinking of booking in activities for the holidays. Please click on the link below and see what is being offered by Camden during the festive period. https://www.camden.gov.uk/children-young-people#cmft

I wish you all a wonderful weekend!

Best wishes, Harsha

#### **Project for the Holidays**

This is an opportunity for your child to enhance their independent learning experience and develop their research skills. The project can be worked on in a group, as a family or individually. The project can be presented in any form, allowing children to be more creative with their learning.

These could be a writing piece, a mixed media piece or a photograph they created to convey the above.

Projects titles:
Growth mindset
(personal journeys or what it means to me)
Special festivals
Gratitude

#### **Parental Engagement**

One of the strengths of our school is our work with parents and carers. Our learning is inter-linked: as we learn so much from you and we in turn hope to support you in knowing more about our curriculum and polices.

Please look at our curriculum and pastoral programmes and know that you are most welcome to attend.

Day	Time	Focus	Leader	Room
Tuesday Every week	9:00-10:00am	Coffee mornings	Edina and Amal	Community Room
Thursday Every Week	9:00-10:00am	Knitting / Crochet club	Edina	Community Room

Pastoral support for parents and carers

Day	Time	Focus	Leader	Room
Wednesday 18th January	9:00-9:30am	How to help your child with Maths for Year 2 Parents and Carers	Marina	Top Hall
Wednesday 11th January	9:00-9:30am	How to support your child with SATS  – for Year 2 Parents and Carers	Sophie	Top Hall

#### Winter show

This year we will be showcasing the children's amazing music at school. Each year group will be performing a range of songs and dances to get you in the mood for the holidays. We hope you can join us!



- EYFS— 12th Dec 9:30 am & 2:30 pm please check the sign up sheet outside the classroom for which show you are able to attend.
- \* Yr 3 13th December 2.30-3.15
- \* Yr 2 14th December 2.30-3.15
- Yr 6 15th December 2.30-3.15

#### **ATTENDANCE UPDATES**

Our whole school attendance for this

week is **88.82%**, which is significantly below our

target of **95%**, please continue to strive for 100% attendance.

A huge clap for Woodpeckers who had the highest attendance of 97%.

Children who arrived late for school this week was **74**. This figure continues to be high, but is improving. 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 of those who are late 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.

# CHRISTMAS EUNCH

## Wednesday 14th December

We will also be having our Christmas Jumper day this day so please come dressed for the occasion.



#### **Camden Support**

Everyone is likely to need a bit of help this winter so if you're struggling, please reach out for help. Find out about the range of support available with debt, mental health, food, rising energy bills, finding a job and more at camden.gov.uk/costofliving or contact one of the organisations at the Camden Advice Network. Find their details at camden.gov.uk/can. You can also call Camden Council on 020 7974 4444 (option 9).

If you're worried about debt, there are several local and national organisations who can provide a variety of free help, advice and support. Find their details on our website. If you're struggling with council tax arrears, call us on 020 7974 6414. If you're worried about losing your home, find out what to do depending on where you live.

#### Cost of living crisis fund

If you are in severe financial hardship and cannot afford the essentials including food, heating, water, electricity and rent, you may be eligible for a payment of up to £500 through our Cost Of Living Crisis Fund. Find out how to apply at camden.gov.uk/colcfund.







#### **Road Closure at Gloucester Avenue**

Please see below information about the road closure at Gloucester Avenue and the diversions, as well as a map of the closure. This may affect parents picking and dropping their children from school, so if you could let them know that would be helpful!

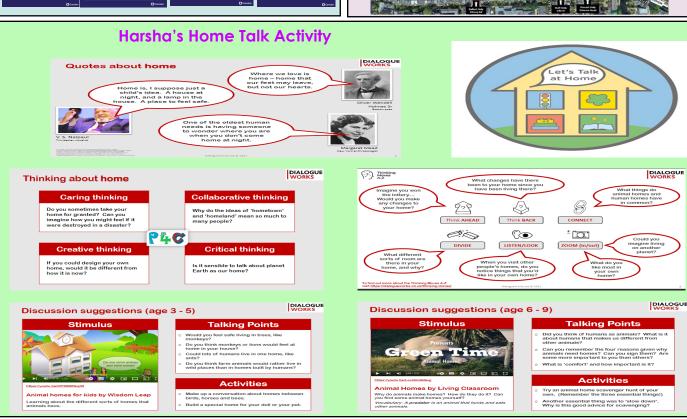
Phase 1 - Close Gloucester Avenue Bridge between Princess Road and St Mark's Crescent (21-11-22 to 11-12-22).

Phase 2 - Close Gloucester Avenue between Fitzroy Road and St Marks Crescent including Dumpton Place (12-12-22 to 04-01-23)

Phase 3 - Close Gloucester Avenue between St Marks Crescent and Regents Park Road (25-12-22 to 29-12-22). Diversions: Phase 1 and 2 - Northbound via Gloucester Avenue, Regent's Park Road, and Fitzroy Road. Southbound via Fitzroy Road, Regent's Park Road and St Mark's Crescent.

Phase 3 - Via St Mark's Crescent and Regent's Park Road.











# You are a star!

**EYFS Star Learners** 

The Grove Everyone

R: Ladybirds Achilleas

N: Tadpoles Jack

R: Ladybirds Kit N: Froglets Ema and Joanna



# You are a star!

Y1 and Y2 Star Learners

Y1: Dragonflies - Albert & Harry

Y1: Butterflies - Haru & Dominica & Nina

Y2: Grasshoppers - Jannah and Leo

Y2: Beetles: Everyone



### You are a star!

Y3 and Y4 Star Learners

Y3: Squirrels - Zayaan & Iara Y3: Bats Jennifer and Felix Y4 Hedgehogs: David & Safia

Y4 Foxes: Everyone



# You are a star!

Y5 and Y6 Star Learners

Y5: Blackbirds: Everyone

Y5: Woodpeckers - Amir & Isaac

Y6 Kestrels - Julia & Teddy

Y6: Herons - Zahkar & La'Shae



adults involved. We've been putting a lot of effort into our Nativity play, and we're blown way by how well the ladybirds have memorised the songs, actions, and ines for the play! We can't wait to see their performance. All in all, it's been another fantastic week, and we're looking forward to the final week of



# You are a star!



Y2 have been writing information texts using all of the knowledge they've learnt about castles. Next week we will be building our own model castles - so we have been preparing by creating our own heraldry too!













# You are a star!

Y4 have been learning about sound. This week, we made cup-telephones to test how sound travels.





