Primrose Hill Primary School

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Friday 6th January

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back and a very Happy New Year to you and your families. This half term is packed full of exciting topics and activities that we can't wait to delve into with your children.

Curriculum
This half term's focus is Migration.

Attached is our Spring 1 Curriculum overview with more information.

Reading
Each class has the opportunity to explore the wide range of books available in the library throughout the week in small groups. Please ensure your child brings their library books in on a Monday, ready for their visit to the library during the week. Your child should bring their book bag in every day and should be reading every day at home.

Each class has a book corner where children can select books to read during the day. The books in the book corner are for class reading only - the children can borrow books from the library to take home and can also take their Reading Challenge books home. As you know, the school has invested in the **Reading Eggs** online reading programme - all children have already received a log in, but you can ask in the office if you have mislaid this.

Home Learning
Home Learning will start in Week 1 and will be accessible on Google Classroom. Home Learning will be distributed on **Fridays** and we expect children to complete their Home Learning by the following Wednesday. In the meantime, please continue to read every day, practice maths skills through games and online websites such as **Times Table Rock Stars** (again, ask the office if you cannot find your log in), focusing on fluency of times tables, and practice handwriting and spelling. The weekly homework will consist of maths, reading, spelling and topic tasks.

Classroom Drop-In
This half term, every year group will be hosting a Parents and Carers Maths Drop-In. Year 5's drop-in will be from 8:45 to 9:00 on Friday 20th January.

PE & Music

Head Teacher: Harsha Patel

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 - It continues to be really important that children arrive before 9am, as the first lesson of the day is an important one. **Our 'soft start' continues between 8:45 - 9:00 am each morning**. After 9:00 am the gate will be closed and any latecomers will need to come through the main school gate.

END OF THE DAY - Children will be in the playground when the gates open at **3:25 pm.**

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.

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.

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.

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 into Winter, please make sure that your child comes to school with a long sleeved coat, preferably with a hood or hat.

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

We are looking forward to another busy and exciting half term with you and your children.

Many Thanks,

Jemma Bourn and Georgia Boyle
The Year 5 Team

Head Teacher: Harsha Patel