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Friday 15th May 2020

### A Message from the Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

You will have no doubt seen the government announcements over the last few days regarding schools potentially reopening for some year groups on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020.

The government has suggested that Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and year 6 may be able to return to school in some way and has asked schools to make preparations for this. I want to assure you that the school is making plans for children to come back to school as soon as possible and only when it is safe to do so, as advised by the government. We are currently carrying out a thorough risk assessment and action plan, the details of which will be carefully shared with parents and carers before any re-opening. The safety of your child and indeed our whole school community will be at the heart of any decision made. Thank you to those parents in the above year groups that have shared their thoughts and concerns regarding any re-opening. We will make absolutely sure your views are considered. For concerned parents in years N,R,1 and 6 – you should know that the government has said it will not penalise any parent for not sending their child to school should any re-opening occur.

The issuing of free school meals vouchers continues and as always, I would encourage you to urgently contact the school on 020 7254 1589 by leaving a voicemail or even better, email us on [admin@princessmay.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:admin@princessmay.hackney.sch.uk) if there are any issues around these. Please also use the weekly phone calls with your class teachers to raise any general concerns, or if there is a pressing issue you may contact us at any time using the above contact details.

There will be a lot more information coming out from the government and other parties over the next few days. I will ensure you are kept updated with the implications for our school community as and when new details come to light.

Please try to enjoy the good weather weekend and stay safe.

Mr Reynolds  
Headteacher

#### Coronavirus Guidance

The government's guidance around the Coronavirus has changed. For up-to-date information on how to stay safe click the picture to take you directly to the government's own website.

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We wish you all well.

#### Year 4 Science Investigation

As part of Year 4's science lesson last week the children took part in an investigation into 'States of Matter'. They looked at how liquids behaved and asked questions such as "Do all liquids behave the same?"



Miss Lovell testing mayonnaise and ketchup

Well done to all the children who took part.

*Why not test it yourselves? Which is more runny mayonnaise or ketchup?*

#### Home Learning



We know it can be challenging to support your child's home learning at times but we can see you are doing a great job!

Children are:

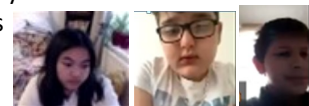
- Active in Teams
- Completing their work
- Taking part in task-related discussions

We appreciate your support so please keep going! Don't forget, you can speak to your child's class teacher about the good bits but also if something is not going right, let them know.

The Pastoral Team (Ms Roz and Mr McDaniel) are actively supporting children by phone. If you feel your child could benefit from speaking with them, please email the admin address or call and leave a message.

#### Choir

It was great to see so many of you joining Ms Crawford for the Wednesday choir practice this week! **All children are invited** so remember to tune in, practice your singing skills and see your friends online. Use the link and code in the weekly text to join in the practice.



Zoom Choir

#### Free School Meals

If your circumstances have recently changed especially due to the coronavirus, your child may now be eligible for Free School Meals. Use the Hackney Learning Trust link below to begin your application. <https://tinyurl.com/rnqxn3o>

School Website

[www.princessmay.hackney.sch.uk](http://www.princessmay.hackney.sch.uk)

School Office Open: Monday - Friday  
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