

Responsibility

Empathy

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Determination

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Friday 2nd October 2020



A Message from the Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

The school has been a hive of activity this week now that we have all recovered from our seasonal coughs and colds and the school is near full to capacity.

Thank you for your patience while we ironed out our entrance and exit arrangements for pupils. There has been a huge improvement here this week and we are confident that we are now in a very good place with this. A polite reminder that it is better to get here just before your child's entrance time. In a slight refinement of current policies, **children from the same key stage will now be permitted to enter and exit through the youngest sibling's gate**, meaning you will only now have to drop off and collect children in this situation from one gate. We hope this will prove convenient to you all.

Children have now completed their start of term assessments so that we can understand where gaps in learning may have occurred over the course of the lockdown. The senior leadership team will be meeting with class teachers and Heads of Year next week to discuss each individual child and what can be put in place to ensure that each and every child makes at least good progress this year.

Please do keep an eye on your text messages as we are sending a lot of information through texts at the moment due to the current situation.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Reynolds
Headteacher

Our Deputy Head, Mrs McCree-Boyle



This morning I had the pleasure of joining Y3LM during their maths lesson and was very impressed with the mathematical language the children were using. They were confident to explain what was meant by 'commutative law' (3×4 is the same as 4×3) and were very excited to identify arrays in the real world. Please ask them to point out examples of arrays to you at home!

Our Assistant Head, Ms Archer



Please make sure that your child brings in their **Book bag, reading book and reading record book** each day. Please note that only book bags are permitted to be brought to school; please no bags, ruck sacks or carrier bags. Your child's reading routine and progress is extremely important. Please be sure to communicate your child's home-reading on a daily basis. This includes our EYFS and KS1 pupils.

Our SENCO, Ms Blunden



This week it has been wonderful to get to know more parents and children in my role as SENCO. The children have been working hard to complete assessments which will help the teachers and I to support them further. Please remember to contact me with any concerns regarding your child's progress.

PSHE RSE (Relationship and Sex Education)



On **Thursday 8th October at 4:15pm**, we will be holding an online parent consultation meeting on Teams. This is to inform parents of the new statutory government guidelines for the PSHE curriculum (<https://tinyurl.com/y5sp3ple>). It will be an opportunity for you to discuss the new curriculum and ask questions about the content to be delivered. We will be sending out invitations for the meeting soon.

Uniform Standards

Please ensure children are wearing the full, correct school uniform each day. Some children have started to wear polo shirts instead of collared school shirts, which is not allowed. Plain black shoes are also the only permitted footwear – no trainers please. Please ensure you consult our school website to ensure you are aware of the correct uniform or go direct to our suppliers: <https://www.roughcutcasuals.co.uk/find-my-school/primary-schools/princess-may-primary-school.html> Collared shirts can be bought at Matalan for £2 each.

P.E: uniform: Please note only P.E kits listed here are permitted for P.E lessons: <https://www.princessmay.hackney.sch.uk/parents/uniform>

Harvest Festival



Sunday
4th
October
2020

The Harvest Festival is a traditional event celebrating the successful gathering of the year's crops and is a long-time tradition at our school. People are encouraged to donate homegrown produce, celebrate and give thanks. This year we will not be collecting but would encourage you to donate to your local food bank. *Happy Harvest Festival to you all!*

Black History Month



Our celebration of the fantastic contribution of black people to our society began yesterday! More information on our activities soon.

School Streets

As previously advised, as from yesterday (1st October) Hackney Council will be issuing £80 fines to those vehicles that enter Barrett's Grove and Princess May Road during drop-off and collection times. Please do not park on either road or drive through during these times.

School Website

www.princessmay.hackney.sch.uk

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Cover face



Make space

