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Friday 6th November 2020

A Message from the Headteacher



Responsibility

Empathy

Aspiration

Respect

Determination

Remote Headteacher Drop-ins

For parents who have questions or wish to discuss issues. Use the Teams link here:

<https://tinyurl.com/y5q96u2q>

Wednesdays
8.00am - 8.45am

Dear parents and carers,

It has been very much business as usual at school this week, with no time wasted in ensuring your child is getting a broad and balanced education. Our highly-successful specialist music lessons continue, along with our newly timetabled weekly art slots. It was a real pleasure to see our children singing and creating works of art as we conducted our weekly learning walk, and I know year 5 have gone the extra mile in turning some of their masterpieces into postcards, a few of which I purchased and are now in my office.

The attendance of children this week has been incredibly high, with a whopping 96% of you attending on time each day – so thank you. Every day missed at school is a day's lost learning, which can be very hard to make up, so please do send your child in unless there are exceptional circumstances. Although our Attendance Officer from the Local Authority is very pleased overall, they will be contacting some parents next week to arrange interviews to explain any unauthorised absence, which can ultimately lead to fines and prosecutions, which we obviously all want to avoid.

We now look forward to next week's events, which include marking Remembrance Day with a 2-minute silence, as well as a special whole-school remote assembly on Teams.

Enjoy this weekend and stay safe.

Mr Reynolds



COVID-Safe School Gates

For everyone's safety, please be sure to follow the guidance below when dropping off and picking up your child:

- Please join the line to keep the gate entrance clear
- Socially distance - Stay alert to the 1-2 metre rule
- Please wear a mask in line with current advice

We are doing all we can to keep children and staff safe, please help us by following this advice.



Healthy School

Please ensure that if you are providing a packed lunch for your child, that it is a wholesome meal to ready them for afternoon learning. Please do not allow your child to bring in sweets, chocolate, fizzy drink or nuts as part of their lunch. Also, only fruit is allowed as a snack for morning playtime.

Parent Consultations

Please use the link to book your appointment to review your child's progress: <https://princessmay.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>

Booking closes
23rd Nov
5pm



Remembrance Day - Wednesday 11th November

Thank you to those of you who have chosen to donate money for a poppy from your classes. We will be observing 2 minutes silence on **Wednesday 11th November at 11am**. The money collected will go to the Royal British Legion as part of their Poppy Appeal.



School Photographs

The photographer will be in school this coming Monday 9th November 2020. As every day, please ensure your child is in full school uniform. Due to COVID-19, all orders will be placed online directly with the photographer. The school will ensure a COVID-safe environment, in line with our COVID-19 procedures.



Playground Buddies

Our Playground Buddies are coming back! Thank you to all those children who applied. Interviews and training will be next week and buddies start work the week after. Good luck!

School uniform

The school uniform price and supplier list has been updated and is available on our website here: <https://www.princessmay.hackney.sch.uk/parents/uniform> Please note that **trainers are now not permitted** as unfortunately there has been a low level of compliance with trainers being kept plain and black. Your child may keep wearing their current footwear (as long as it is plain black) until they grow out of these, however the next purchase of footwear should be plain black shoes. Please also ensure your child comes to school in the correct P.E kit – **fashion tracksuits are not acceptable**.



Home Reading Champions

Well done to all the children who have been reading at home every day! Parents/carers, please remember to comment each day. It's so important to track their progress daily! Thank you for your continued support.



Fun and Learning in the Nursey

The children have been enjoying playing and exploring the sand pit built by our site manager Mr Walshe. The children have been creating sandcastles, sand pies and even searching for treasure! We have been also planting Daffodil bulbs in our nursery outdoor area, look out for them in the Spring. What a busy week!



100%

Attendance

We will be celebrating Attendance each week so please look out for your child's year group figures. Please help by making sure your child is in each school day and on time.



School Streets

Please take note of the signage on Princess May Road and Barrett's Grove as restrictions are now in place. Hackney Council are issuing £80 fines to those vehicles that enter Barrett's Grove or Princess May Road during drop-off and collection times.

School Website

www.princessmay.hackney.sch.uk

School Office: Monday - Friday
8:30am-4pm 0207 254 1589

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Wash hands



Cover face



Make space



Place 2B