



PRINCE OF WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter
1st November 2019

Listening Excellence Attitude Respect Negotiate Enjoy Responsible Support

Parents Evening on Monday 4th November

The Parents' Evening on Monday 4th November is a good opportunity to find out how your child has settled into their class routines and the progress that they are making against the expected targets.

Please ensure you have made an appointment with your child's teacher or arrange an alternative date.

PoW Spelling Bee Champions

On Wednesday, the Spelling Bee Final took place at the Dugdale Centre. Our Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 spellers that had come first in their heats represented our school again. They were up against winners from their heats, so it promised to be a tough competition. Due to all the roadworks, the bus journey was long and they arrived 20 minutes late. There was hardly time to take of coats and get adjusted to their surroundings, so it is therefore an even greater achievement that both the Year 3/4 and the Year 5/6 teams won. Mr Bless, Miss Clarke and Miss Houadef were on their way back from a school exchange in The Hague and received this lovely message from the children once they landed in Stansted:

Dear Mr Bless, Mrs Clarke and Miss Houadef,



"We are thrilled we won. It was such an amazing experience for all of us."

"Both year 3's and 4's, and year 5's and 6's won!"

"We got a few words wrong but, we still managed to win."

"We had a fun time and altogether we were competing with 4 other teams."

"I am so happy that we won the spelling bee!"

"We all are very grateful and remember that we all done it as a team if the others weren't there to help and support us we would not be able to win!"

"I just wanna say thank you so much for all the teachers for helping us learn!"

"...WE WON!!!! This day was so exquisite! Years 3 and 4 AND Years 5 and 6!"

"This is a day I will never forget."

"I am very happy to say Years 3 and 4 won, as well as Years 5 and 6."

"I am very worked up (excited) because of it too."

"This morning we was taking part in spelling bee. The Year's 3 4 5 and 6 won it."



Our Value for October was Appreciation
These pupils modelled the value this week:

Selin 1K, Kimberley 1To, Omari 1T, Ibrahim 2A, Aliyah 2H, Neriah 2T, Cianna 3G, Tia 3F, Tanya 3R, Mustafa 4H, Tommy 4T, Rushain 4F, Aaliyah 5K, Mertcan 5H, Riel 5G, Jayden 6B, Connor 6L, Scarlett 6T



Attendance this week

1K 93.94%	2A 93.88%	3F 85.83%	4F 81.07%	5G 94.48%	6B 97.04%
1T 94.40%	2H 72.22%	3G 98.85%	4H 99.00%	5H 99.26%	6L 92.22%
1To 83.33%	2T 85.56%	3R 97.56%	4T 93.21%	5K 97.93%	6T 97.417%

Well done to **1T and 5H** for best attendance this week.

Overall attendance since September: **94.44%**



School Closure due to General Election 12th December 2019

Our school will be used as a polling station and we close for elections where large numbers of voters are expected.



Brilliant Book

Ali 1T shared his work showing letter sounds he has been learning. He chose a trio of bouncy balls from the treasure chest.

Cid 5G wrote about Bessie Coleman using colourful semantics. Despite huge disadvantages in her life as she grew up, Bessie fulfilled her dreams of becoming a pilot. She was a true pioneer and is a great role model to us all.

Cid selected a pen with funny wiggly end.



ELECTION OF PARENTS TO THE SCHOOL'S GOVERNING BODY

The Governing Body of the School currently has a vacancy for a Parent Governor.

I am writing to invite nominations of parents interested in standing for election to fill this vacancy. Every parent of a registered pupil at the School is entitled to stand for election except someone who is

- an elected member of the Council;
- paid to work at the School for more than 500 hours in a 12 month period.

If you wish to stand for election could you please let me know in writing by **Wednesday 6th November 2019.**

If the number of candidates is greater than the number of parent governor vacancies then a ballot will be necessary. In this instance you will be sent details of the candidates and a ballot paper on which to record your *vote/s*. Should a ballot be necessary, the candidate may if s/he wishes write a brief description of themselves, in not more than 200 words, for circulation with the ballot papers.

All prospective candidates should contact the School to request the 'Declaration of Eligibility Form' which they should read, sign and return to the School to state that none of the information applies to them.

Depending on Governing Body agreed arrangements the successful candidate may be required to have a DBS check. As this position is exempt from The Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 you will be required to declare all unspent and spent cautions and criminal offences, including any pending convictions. The disclosure of a criminal record or other information will not necessarily debar you from volunteering as a governor. This will depend on the nature of the position and the circumstances, nature and background of your offence(s).

Parent Governors have an important role to play in representing parents' views on the Governing Body. I hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to become involved in the School.

If you have any questions about this letter or the election procedures please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mr Jan M Bless
Headteacher



From: [a commuter on the train]
 Sent: 31 October 2019 07:38
 To: <office@princeofwales.enfield.sch.uk>
 Subject: School Trip

I was on the tube yesterday afternoon and had the pleasure of seeing a group of your children with their teacher (and parent helpers) heading back from a trip. I am guessing that they were year 3. Their behaviour was impeccable. They were considerate, engaged and polite.

Please let their lovely teacher and the children themselves know that it made me feel so happy and optimistic for our future with such lovely people growing up and being part of our society.

Congratulations to your school community. You are doing a great job!

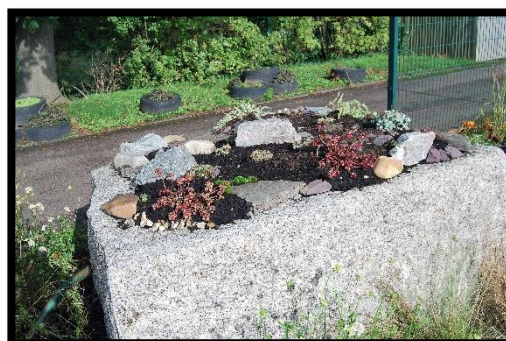
Kind regards

Mrs Milner

When I was walking round the school I took these photographs. I helped to create the rockery.
 Jon 6t

Rockery

The granite block by the reception entrance is now host to a rockery. We know that some plants have fine roots that can penetrate tiny cracks in the hardest rocks, even in harsh areas such as mountains. Let's see whether our plants like it there.



MATHS NEWS AT PRINCE OF WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

MATHS CAFES COMING SOON!

Please look out for some important dates next week.

We will be running some very useful cafes on the following topics:

- Teaching tricky Times Tables
- Year 6 Arithmetic Skills
- Year 6 Reasoning Skills



OCEAN MATHS GAMES PACKS

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If you have lost your child's games pack the office will be selling complete packs for £2.00. Please have the exact money. Alternatively, please visit the maths section on our school website where you can print off individual items.

The Curious Mathematicians' Club

If your child is in year 6 and you are considering a maths tutor please read the flyer attached. The next club begins this Thursday and will focus on Fractions. I will be teaching the programme.

For further information or to book your child a place please email me on Curiousmaths4@gmail.com

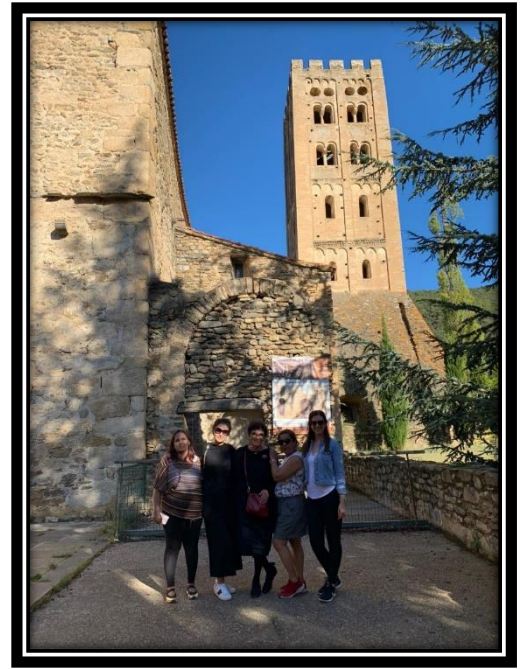


Miss Maths

ERASMUS VISIT TO PERPIGNAN, FRANCE

We successfully applied for EU funding earlier this year for two separate projects.

One was to improve the language competences of our staff and pupils and enhance their learning experiences. We believe that learning another language gives children a new and broader perspective on the world, encouraging them to understand their own cultures and those of others, which feeds into our focus on global learning. Over the October half term, four staff (two teachers and two HLTAs) from our school, together with staff from two other Enfield schools, travelled to Perpignan, France for a structured training course. The main focus of the course was to build participants' confidence in using French through immersion and practice. The training course has been a fantastic opportunity for our staff to acquire new skills and increase their confidence in the use of French. There were different opportunities for participants to immerse in the language in various situations throughout each day. As a result of this mobility, staff is keen to share the new gained skills and knowledge and integrate them effectively into the everyday scheduled activities of our school.



Sena Alim, Global Education Lead and Class 2A teacher



In our Friday Achievement assembly, pupils from 2A demonstrated their ability to greet, count and ask questions in French:

*Salut
Bonjour mes amis.
Comment t'appelles tu?
Je m'appelle [nom].
Comment ça va?
Ça va bien, merci.
Counting to 10.*

All with immaculate French pronunciation.

The whole school then counted in twos in French as well. This was inspired by Mr Bless' visit to De Driemaster School in the Netherlands, where a class of pupils new to the country were learning to count in evens in Dutch.

ERASMUS VISIT TO THE HAGUE, THE NETHERLANDS

Together with our partner school De Driemaster we aim to improve the learning outcomes of our pupils. We do this over a two-year project by focussing on increasing pupils' vocabulary and reading, increasing parents' engagement in their child's learning, sharing good pedagogy and outdoor learning. Mr Bless, Miss Clarke and Miss Houadef attended training (in Dutch), observed lessons and explored the area in and around Voorburg. De Driemaster pupils come from a wide range of backgrounds, just as ours. In one class we counted 22 different languages that they were exposed to at home.



Our pupils recommended that we gave De Driemaster English tea and shortbread; it looks like a good choice!



Explaining our school values and baton ceremony



Enjoying lunch with De Driemaster staff

Managing Children's Behaviour

This course will explore what we are trying to do when insisting that children/young people “behave themselves”.

We will look also at the thinking and experiences that makes up the background for the ways we manage children's behaviour.

By using this approach we can explore practical, every day ways to help children face the world in a loving partnership with their parents.

When: Thursday 7th Nov – 21st Nov 2019

Where: Capel Manor Primary School

How long: 3 sessions – every Thursday morning

Time: 09.15am - 11.45am

Cost: if you receive a certain benefit you may be entitled to a **free** course.

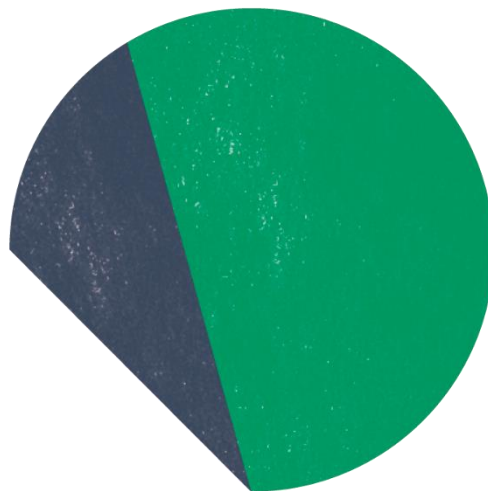
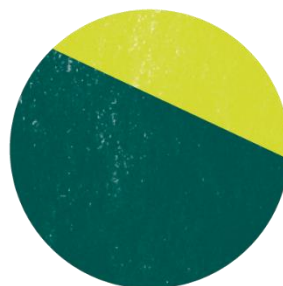
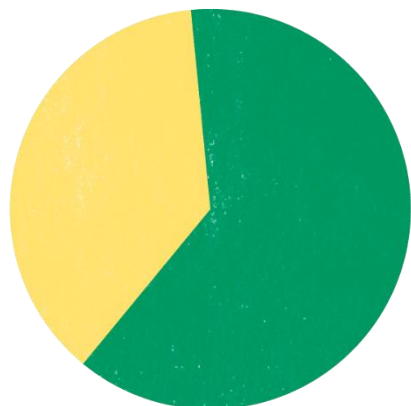
For more information, or to book a place on this course please contact Jackie Warren at Capel Manor Primary School on 01992 854076

Reference: C2421230



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Schools and Parenting



Dates for your Diary	2019/2020
PARENTS' EVENING	Monday 4th November
Year 2 Cinema – Angry Birds	Wednesday 6 th November 10-11.50am
Year 6 Cinema – Johnny English Strikes Again	Friday 8 th November 10-11.40am
Year 5 Cinema - Aladdin	Wednesday 13 th November 10-12.20pm
Children in Need – to wear Spots - £1.00	Friday 15 th November
Friends' Events – Happy bag collection morning	Monday 18 th – Friday 22 nd November
Year 3 Cinema – Dora and the lost City of gold	Thursday 21 st November 10-12pm
SCHOOL CLOSED for ELECTIONS	Thursday 12th December
Christmas Holidays	Last day Thursday 19th December
Inset Day Day – school closed	Monday 6th January
Back to School	Tuesday 7th January 2020
Years 3 and 4 Disco	Friday 31 st January 4.00pm - 5.30pm
February Half Term	Monday 17th – Friday 21st February
Years 5 and 6 Disco	Friday 7 th February 4.00pm - 5.30pm
Back to School	Monday 24th February
Football League	Thursday 27 th February - 4pm at Prince of Wales
Netball League	Tuesday 3 rd March 4.00pm and 4.30pm
Sports Relief Charity Day	Friday 13 th March
Netball League	Tuesday 31 st March 4.00pm and 4.30pm
Football League	Thursday 19 th March - 4pm at Prince of Wales
Easter Holidays	Monday 6th April – Friday 17th April
Back to School	Monday 20th April
May Bank Holiday No School	Friday 8th May
May Half Term	Monday 25th – Friday 29th May
Back to School	Monday 1st June
WWF Charity Day	Friday 19 th June
Summer Holidays	Wednesday 22 nd July – Monday 31 st August

Have you got any questions about SEND and your child?

Every Parent and Child (SENDIASS) will be running an advice clinic in the Community Room on:

Tuesday 29th October 2019 9 to 10.30am

Tuesday 14th January 2020 9 to 10.30am (we will also be looking at the school's SEN Information Report)

Tuesday 21st April 2020 9 to 10.30am

Please come along

Ms Paddon, Inclusion Lead

Friends Events for Winter Term 2019

Monday 18th Friday 22nd November – Happy Bag collection morning.

Friday 13th December 3.30pm-6pm – Christmas Grotto & activities.

Thursday 19th December 1.30pm-2pm – Cake sale

Friday 31st January 2019 4 to 5.30pm - Years 3 and 4 disco

Friday 7th February 2019 4 to 5.30pm Years 5 and 6 disco



Friends



Thank You



Friends would like to say a big Thank You to all the parents that contributed to the last 2 Cake sales and Uniform sale especially the year 1 parents.

Friday 11th October Cake/Uniform sale made £103

Friday 31st October Cake/Sweet sale