

Muswell Hill Primary School

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Just a short newsletter this time.

Parent Open Mornings and Parent Consultation Evenings

Thanks to everyone for attending our open classrooms to talk with your children about their learning – there was such a lovely buzz around the school. 393 children had a least one visitor which is brilliant. We know some parents weren't able to come due to work commitments but if you would still like to try to find a time for your child to show you their learning please contact the school and we will try to find a way to make it happen.

On top of that, you came in droves to your evening parent consultation meetings and My Plan meetings and a total of 405 parents and carers attended those meetings.

How amazing and engaged you are - working together has a huge impact on children's learning. Thank you.



Woodland area open and Forest School starts

We are delighted that the woodland area at the side of the school is now open, the children are loving playing in there; they are particularly enjoying making tents, dens etc. with the tarpaulins.

Forest School has started for the first group of fifteen Year 2 children (all Year 2 children will have six weeks of Forest School during the school year). Thanks to Gemma, Daisy and to Kathy who is now well into her first year of Forest School training.

We'd also like to say a massive thank you to everyone who contributes to the PSA fundraising activities – the PSA paid for the waterproof suits that the children use on Forest School days – see below. We are extremely grateful to the Little Butterfly Foundation – they are generously funding the majority of the session costs. One child said that their first afternoon of Forest School was one of 'the best days of my life' which was a fantastic endorsement.



Great birthday idea



As you know, in line with both parental wishes and our healthy school award, we are keen to celebrate birthdays with a song or game in the classroom and/or a healthy treat instead of cakes or biscuits.

How's this for inspiration? As a novel idea - one parent wrote individual messages on fruit for their child's birthday. Obviously we're not expecting you all to do this!

Safeguarding Newsletter

Please look out for our latest safeguarding newsletter with five attachments with information on supporting your child's use of social media and online gaming. This is being sent out under separate cover.

Congratulations to Chris and Tristan



Well done to Yr4 Chris and Tristan who have qualified for the U10 London Junior Chess Championship Finals to be held later in December.

This is a fantastic feat as both boys had to come through a competitive qualifying tournament at times facing stronger Yr5 players.

The school's U9 and U11 chess teams are also preparing for the qualifying tournaments for National Primary Chess Championships due to be held early in the spring term.



Just a reminder that we would really appreciate it if you could take the time to register on Ofsted Parent View and leave some feedback about the school. You can find the link here:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>