

Preston Grange Primary School

Newsletter – February 24th 2021



Returning to school

We are thrilled with the confirmation that all children can return to school on Monday March 8th! We imagine that everyone is as excited as us to return to some normality for the children. Further information will be sent out next week to confirm entrances, collection points etc. We can't wait to see everyone back together again!

Catch Up

You will have heard on the news about the government's aim to catch up children's learning after lock down. I have no further information at present, but I imagine that this will take the form of additional Catch Up funding (see previous newsletters.) If this is the case, and it is at schools' discretion, we will continue to use additional teaching staff from a supply agency to work in school in afternoons and alongside the class teachers, to identify gaps in learning and deliver interventions to close gaps in children's learning.

Lovely news!

If you follow us on Twitter (@pg_primary) you will have already heard the lovely news, but for those who don't follow school on Twitter, we are delighted to inform everyone that Miss Beavers is expecting a baby in August! We are over the moon for her.



After school clubs

When school returns, we will be putting on a range of after school clubs as we had planned to do in January, which will be free to children. These clubs will be 'bubble' based, and they will be free until May half term. More information to follow.

Nursery starters

If your child was due to start our Nursery in January but you have kept them at home during lockdown, you will be receiving a letter with their starting arrangements this week. As we usually plan, these children will be staggered into school over several days.

Out of School Club

Our external provider who runs after school club will re-start on Monday 8th March. Please contact the after school club directly to book your child in.

Breakfast Club

Unfortunately, due to some staff still shielding, we will be unable to open breakfast club when we return on March 8th. We will hopefully be able to open breakfast club after Easter on April 12th if staff are back at school. Thanks for your understanding with this matter.

Gwen's 100th birthday

As part of our 'Singing for Memories' project with Redesdale Court, we learnt that there was a resident who will celebrate her 100th birthday on March 5th. The lady's name is Gwen and her ambition was to receive 100 birthday cards. We are thrilled that children at home have been making cards for Gwen as well as the children in school. On Gwen's actual birthday, we will be singing happy birthday to her from the boundary fence as her flat looks onto this part of school, and she will be so pleased to hear the children singing to her. If you would like to send a birthday card to her, please address the card directly to Redesdale Court thank you.

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