

PAPILLON HOUSE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

15th October 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians

It was lovely to see so many of you in person at our Parents' Evening bringing some sense of "normality" back to Papillon. In some cases, we were able, with the continuing use of technology, to welcome both parents to the meeting, one with the Class Team at Papillon and the other via "Zoom" at home and also able to include those of you who could not come into Papillon.

"Welcome"

This week we welcomed Susanna to Papillon. Susanna, who has a lot of experience working with children and young people with autism, has joined the Swallowtail Class Team.

Community Visits

As well as continuing with their cycling and horse riding our classes went on a variety of visits. Caterpillar Class went to Box Hill; Meadow Class to Morrisons to buy pumpkins; Peacock Class to Tesco to buy Halloween decoration and Swallowtail Class went to The Safari Hotel at Chessington. Admiral Class took a trip to Ikea in Croydon, Monarch Class to Headley Heath and Emperor Class went to play rounders in Priory Park where I understand our driver, Tony proved to be a very good catcher!

Star of the Week

Our "Stars" this week are:

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| Caterpillar | Jamie | <i>"Good literacy"</i> |
| Meadow | Aiden | <i>"Good writing"</i> |
| Peacock | Jenny | <i>"Making an amazing pencil holder"</i> |
| Swallowtail | Freddie | <i>"Excellent work this week making a book for the library"</i> |

Therapy

Mia did really good listening when playing the piano with Zoë and during her sensory diet session.
Zoë Sargent, Creative Arts lead

James (Emperor Class) buttered the baguettes within his café session. Well done, James. *Lilly Prince, Occupation Therapy Assistant*

Zachary was really brave in his Occupational Therapy session, trying new things. *Donna Venetico, Occupational Therapist and Tabitha Garnett, Occupational Therapy Practitioner.*

Halloween Mufti Day

On Friday, as part of our Halloween Themed Day, your child will be able to wear Halloween clothing/accessories if they wish. We will be having lots of Halloween themed activities and in the afternoon, there will be a whole school "Zoom" session when all the classes will have an opportunity to share their day. We are asking for a donation of £2 which will be added to the money, over £200, which we have already raised from our Macmillan Coffee Morning. Thank you.

Christmas Cards

A reminder that ALL orders for your child's/young person's Christmas card designs must be made by Wednesday 20th October 2021 on the Cauliflower Cards website (which can be found on the form sent home last week). Additionally, if you are ordering Christmas cards then please send your child's/young person's work back to school by Wednesday 20th October 2021 so that the work can be collected and used to create some festive gifts and cards. Many thanks for your continued support.

Alex Merrett, Senior Teacher/Primary lead

School Photographs

Please do not forget to complete the online order for your child's photograph.

Update on COVID-19

In line with Government and DfE Guidance we have discontinued "bubbling" and mask wearing. Staff continue to wear masks on the minibus and when visiting busy indoor venues. We continue to ventilate rooms as appropriate and to encourage good hand hygiene. We have reviewed our Risk Assessment and our Education and Therapy Contingency Plans should our current procedures need to change due to a rise in COVID cases. These are now on our website.

Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place this term. I will send you further information nearer the time.

| DAY | DATE | TIME | EVENT |
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| Monday | 25 th October | | Half-Term |
| Monday | 8 th November | | School Returns |
| Friday | 12 th November | | Children in Need Day |
| Monday-Friday | 15 th –19 th November | | Anti-Bullying Week |
| Monday | 13 th December | 12-1pm | Christmas Jumper Day Pupils' Christmas Lunch |
| Friday | 17 th December | 2pm | End of Term |
| Tuesday | 4 th January | | Spring Term |

Enjoy your weekend

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