

PAPILLON HOUSE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

16th September 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians

It has been a busy week at Papillon, including two visits from Luna, the dog. The children really enjoy her visits, they take her for walks and play ball, which Luna loves! A special thank you to Zachary in Peacock Class who helped keep Luna company on Wednesday and took her for an extra walk during the day.

Next Wednesday the nurses are coming in for the nasal flu vaccinations. Please check your Arbor messages for information on the extended online sign up for this.

This week all pupils have taken part in activities to celebrate the life of Her Majesty The Queen in class and in assemblies. Primary pupils also took part in their termly Jigsaw assembly. This term the topic is "Being Me in My World".

Please see below for information from the teachers on this term's topics and planning.

Community Visits

Caterpillar went to Box Hill and Court Recreation Park.

Meadow went Horse Riding.

Peacock went swimming.

Swallowtail went swimming.

Star of the Week

Our "Stars" last week were:

Caterpillar	Ariya	<i>"Working hard in all lessons, especially Maths"</i>
Meadow	Aahil	<i>"Transferring his learning from a numeracy session later in the day"</i>
Peacock	Benjamin	<i>"Communicating his wants and needs in class"</i>
Swallowtail	Jenny	<i>"Taking part in all lessons this week, including PE. Amazing work!"</i>

Secondary Department News

Admiral Class and Monarch Class had a successful trip together to Morden Hall Park where they enjoyed the Natural Play equipment, had a walk and did some splashing in puddles. During Outdoor Learning in Monarch Class, they enjoyed a scavenger hunt in the grounds. Emperor Class have enjoyed returning to the cycle track at the David Weir Centre and have been working hard in the class and ran their café serving sausage rolls and pastries.

Therapy

"Well done to Jenny for using her knife and fork together successfully at every lunch time this week". Donna Venetico, Occupational Therapist

"Well done to Logan B for a very successful handwriting session, trying hard with new activities and producing some very neat writing" Tabitha Garnett, Occupational Therapist Practitioner

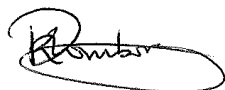
"Well done to Yara for having a great first session back with Jess and Lily" Jessica Mason, Speech and Language Therapist and Lily Prince, Therapies Assistant with responsibility for Mental Health

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
Wednesday	21 st September	AM	Nasal Flu & HPV
Monday	26 th September	5 – 8pm	Family BBQ
Monday	10 th October	3.30 – 7pm	Parents' Evening
Monday	17 th October	AM	Individual photos
Friday	21 st October		Last day of term

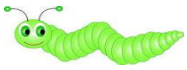
Have a lovely weekend.



Katie Lonnborg
Head Teacher

CLASS TOPICS AND PLANNING – AUTUMN TERM 1

CATERPILLAR CLASS



Our topic this half term is Our school! To start we will be focusing on ourselves and getting to know our new friends. We will then be learning about the different people in the school and what their jobs are. We will learn topical vocabulary (including Makaton signs). Our attention circles will be linked to our topic and the children will be working together to make things for our class display.

Our first community visit this term will be to Box Hill, after this we will be returning to the supermarket to buy the ingredients we need for cooking. The children will be scanning the shopping on the self-service scanners and packing the bags. Our physical activity for this term will involve us visiting playparks. The children will be encouraged to climb and move in different ways.

Caterpillar Class will be continuing their sessions with Julie from Boogie Beat. They really enjoy the singing, dancing, and stories that she brings with her each week. In class we will be having a weekly music and sensory session, where we will be learning new songs and explore different sensory toys.

During Literacy, the children will be completing a phonics lesson each week linked to sounds and letters. In the library the children will be sharing books with an adult and choosing a book to bring home each week. The children will bring the book home each Friday to read with you over the weekend and they will need to be back at school by Wednesday please.

Our topic for our PE sessions this term is 'gym in the jungle'. The children will be encouraged to move in different ways and at different heights. The children will also complete a fine motor session each week to help strengthen the muscles in their fingers and hands. This will help to support mark making and writing.

In Numeracy, we will be focussing on our number recognition and completing activities to support this. The children will also be exploring money and shape. We will be singing and learning different number rhymes. In science, the children will be focussing on physics. We will be looking at colour mixing and different types of weather.

Caterpillar class have become very independent when moving around school. We will continue to develop this. They will be encouraged to find their own property and put on their own coats when going outside. We will be continuing with personal care, where the children will be encouraged to brush their teeth and wash their faces. Please send in a named wash bag with toothpaste, a toothbrush, and a small towel or flannel.

We are looking forward to welcoming you all back to school and are excited for the school year ahead.

Lauren

MEADOW CLASS



Topic and Off-site activities - Our topic this half term is Healthy Living! Meadow Class will be learning about healthy foods, as well as keeping our bodies active and our minds calm. Some of our off-site activities will involve going to the supermarket to have a look at and purchase some healthy foods for our cooking activities, as well as going to play parks that have exercise equipment to keep our bodies moving.

Off-site physical activity - This term, Meadow Class will be going to the Epsom RDA horse riding centre as their physical activity! The children are very excited, and they already know this activity will happen on Thursdays.

Literacy - Meadow Class will be accessing our newly refurbished Library weekly, to listen to a sensory story sack and to have a look at all the new books. Meadow Class children will also be revisiting some of the learning they did last year – 6 weeks is a long time! They will be able to play lots of online games to secure last year's learning.

Maths - This term, Meadow Class will be focusing on categorising and describing different shapes and properties of an object. They will explore and learn about this in very different ways and environments, including around the school grounds with a treasure hunt activity.

PE – Gymnastics - Children in Meadow Class will be practising how to lift, carry and use gymnastic apparatus safely. Children will learn to travel safely in different ways, at different speeds and levels. They will bounce, hop, hopscotch, gallop, skip, tiptoe and run in different directions and learn to jump safely on the ground, onto, and from equipment. Meadow class will be jumping and rolling into different shapes and putting contrasting movements together to make sequences that they remember, repeat, and perform. At the end of each session, we will reflect about why they exercise and consider each other's performances, which links to our topic for this term 'healthy living'.

PSHE and ICT:

For the Personal, Social and Health Education area, Meadow Class will focus on the class rules and identifying own emotions around personal achievements.

Our main focus on ICT this half term will be learning how to use a paint app on the class computer, in order to create individual pieces of work that we'll put together to make a big class poster.

Children in Meadow Class will have access to Boogie Beat every Friday. This session focuses on developing rhythm through fun stories and action songs. We will keep our bodies very active!

On behalf of the Meadow Class Team, we look forward to spending a new year learning with all the children in Meadow Class and to having lots of fun together!

Kris

PEACOCK CLASS



It has been lovely welcoming the children back to school this half term. The children have settled in well in their new class and we are excited for another term filled with lots of fun and lots of learning!

Over the next few weeks, Peacock Class will be learning about 'Our Community'. In week 1, we will be settling into our new class and will focus on building new relationships with new children and staff in the classroom. In week 2, we will learn about our community at school and learn about some of the people that help us during our time at Papillon. In week 3, we will learn about the wider community and what we might see when out in the community. Our book of the week will be *Little Elliot, Big City* by Mike Curato. In week 4, we will learn about how we can keep ourselves safe in the community and will look at some community heroes such as the police etc. Our book of the week will be *Whose Hands Are These?* By Miranda Paul and Luciano Navarro Powell. In week 5, we will learn about different places in the community and different buildings and their purposes. Our book of the week will be *Here Come The Helpers* by Leslie Kimmelman. In week 6, we will learn about diversity and inclusion in our community. Our book of the week will be *All Are Welcome* by Alexandra Penfold and Suzanne Kaufman. In our 7th and final week of this half term, we will learn about our favourite places and things to do in our community. Our book of the week will be *Good People Everywhere* by Lynea Gillen.

This half term, we look forward to enjoying our weekly community visits. These will include trips such as a trip to Tesco's Supermarket, a trip to Bourne Hall Library and a trip to Oaks Park Café for a snack. Our physical activity for this term (up to Christmas) will be swimming sessions at Dorking pool. These sessions will run every Tuesday. Please do remember to send in named swimming kits on this day each week. Julie from Boogie Beat will be back with us this year and will be continuing her interactive story sessions on Friday mornings and Peacock Class will also take part in weekly Akademi dance sessions on Wednesdays with Anusha. The children are very excited to be carrying on with these sessions. The children will also be carrying on with their individual phonics learning and in addition to working towards individual numeracy targets we will be covering some general topics in our maths sessions. We will hold weekly Café snack sessions where we will focus on money transactions and learning about different coins and their values.

Our P.E focus for this term is gymnastics and we will be following the Twinkl Scheme of work – Landscapes and Cities! Our science focus for this half term is chemistry and the children will be able to explore a range of science experiments. We will be learning about using a range of science equipment and learning about properties of different materials. In our Jigsaw PSHE sessions, we will be focusing on 'Being Me in My World'. Some of the topics we will be covering include who we can turn to for help, belonging to a group and our roles and responsibilities within our class/school. Our ICT focus this half term will be 'using the internet' and we will be learning how to perform simple searches for information, how to store and retrieve digital content and how we can be safe when using the internet. If there is any other information you would like me to provide you with or if you have any questions, please do get in touch.

Nikki

SWALLOWTAIL CLASS



Swallowtail's topic this term is 'Our School Community' where we will be focusing on the different aspects of the school community such as our classroom and our technology as well as lots of other exciting areas! In the first week, we will be focusing on how we spent our summer holidays, discussing this with our friends and writing and drawing about what we did during literacy sessions. In the second week, we will be looking at our wonderful classroom and the important resources that are used each day such as the interactive whiteboard and the sensory cupboard and why they are so crucial to our learning. We will also be reading and listening a thought-provoking story "Be Kind – A Children's Story about things that matter" by Pat Zietlow Miller and we will be discussing the questions, importance, and themes throughout the term. The story can be found on YouTube at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kAo4-2UzgPo>

In the third week, we will be continuing to extend our learning about Our School Community by focusing on our school grounds and the outdoor areas around the school. In our fourth week, we will be looking at the technology we currently have at Papillon House School, how it helps us with our learning as well as the safety aspects of being online. Then, in our fifth week, we will be researching lots about our staff, those that we know well and those that we don't, and we will be getting to know a variety of staff members and learn about their skills and interests. Penultimately, in week 6 we will be thinking about our school building and researching into the history of Papillon House School as well as working with our new caretaker, Martin, to complete some simple jobs! Lastly, we will combine all of our learning from the past few weeks about Our School Community in week 7 to conclude the topic.

This half term, we will be aiming to visit ASDA supermarket and recycling centre, Box Hill Nature Trail, Tesco, Headley Heath as well as Wickes on our community visits. We will also have the chance to visit Dorking Leisure Centre this term and all Swallowtail children will be going swimming on Tuesday mornings. Please can you send in named swimming costumes, towels, swim hats (if applicable) and goggles (if your child would like to wear them) in a swim bag from this week? We will send home swimming bags each Tuesday ready to be washed for the following week.

In our numeracy lessons, Swallowtail class will be focussing on commutative law, ordinal numbers and positions of objects, estimating and capacity this term and in their literacy sessions, some children are starting some guided reading sessions in groups as well as continuing to better their writing through using past, present, and future tense in the correct places and speech marks when their characters are talking. Additionally, other children will be focusing on adding images to pieces of writing as well as improvising short drama pieces and making contributions to group writing tasks. We will also be carrying out our exciting phonics sessions each week using the Twinkl scheme of work which I know the class enjoy very much.

For PE this term, Swallowtail class will start looking at gymnastics and movement where they will be using their spatial awareness to jump and land correctly. They will also be continuing to carry out the Jigsaw PSHE sessions in class which mix different songs, discussion points and games to make for a fun and interactive lesson. Our topic for PSHE this term is "Being Me in My World". For science sessions, Swallowtail class will be carrying on with our focus of Chemistry this term and carrying out lessons which include mixtures of materials and working scientifically to carry out experiments. Additionally,

the class will be cooking different foods in cooking sessions with Sarah on a Wednesday, including Favourite Cookies, Tastes of the Garden and Butterfly Biscuits.

Lastly, many children will have the opportunity to carry out some gardening in the school grounds as well as use ICT facilities in class this term, and most will be using the iPads, computer and laptop to record their typing work and research on our topic of 'Our School Community'.

Alex

MONARCH CLASS



Our topic for the first half of the Autumn term is 'Rainforests'. The children will be learning about where rainforests are found on our planet and then why these are only located in certain areas. In addition, they will explore the diversity of wildlife that lives within this habitat, from the birds that live high in the treetops, to the insects that exist on the forest floor.

In Numeracy the children will be developing their addition and subtraction skills, exploring the concept of time and how our daily lives often revolve around certain routines. They will also be developing their comparative language when it comes to measuring weight, length & distance, and time. All the children will be taking part in weekly handwriting lessons to improve the quality of their writing skills. They will also participate in group story writing sessions focussing on the use of adjectives to describe characters, scenes, and emotions.

To coincide with our topic this term, in Science Monarch Class will be exploring the different habitats in which a variety of different animals live as well as discovering why certain animals are more suited to particular environments. The focus for P.E. this term is gymnastics, and the class will be developing their flexibility, strength, technique, control, and balance. In addition to this, Monarch Class will be taking part in weekly cycling sessions in Epsom. We will also be exploring our wider community with visits to Morden Hall Park, various garden centres including Garson's Farm in Esher, Box Hill nature trail and Newlands Corner.

Adrian

ADMIRAL CLASS



Our topic this half term is Hello, let me introduce myself. We will be learning about our peers and staff within the class environment and practice introducing ourselves effectively. We will learn topical vocabulary (including Makaton signs). Our attention circles will be linked to our topic and the children will be working together to make things for our class display.

For community visits this term we will be attending walks with Monarch Class to continually develop social skills. We will also visit garden centres and supermarkets to develop confidence when in new and unfamiliar environments.

Admiral Class are very lucky to be going cycling in Epsom this term. This will run with the class split in two groups, alternating who attends. This is to allow us to complete the visit with Monarch Class, providing excellent opportunity to develop social skills throughout Papillon.

During Literacy, Admiral Class will be completing a Phonics lesson each week linked to sounds and letters. The children will be completing different fine motor tasks to support with their writing. We will continue to visit the library every Monday, where the children will listen to a story and then look at books individually or with a peer or adult. They will choose a book to take home. The book will come home every Friday for you to read with them at home. Our literacy sessions will also provide a link to our topic and focus on developing our spoken language skills .

During maths, we will be focussing on developing our understanding of number, practising recognising numbers, as well as forming these correctly. We will use concrete materials to support the developing contextual understanding of number. In addition, we will be looking at weight and comparing heavier and lighter objects through play. Finally, we will focus on recording information, we will begin by looking at tally marks, moving forward to exploring other methods of recording.

Within science, we will be focussing on biology with a specific focus on plants. We will explore plant life and learn to categorise these. We will use the opportunity of community visits to explore different types of plants in different environments, as well as exploring garden centres to expand our understanding.

The theme of our PE sessions this half term is gymnastics and movement. We will start by developing our abilities to jump in a range of ways from one space to another and progressively develop this to create movement sequences.

Finally, in cooking we will begin the term looking at making simple pizzas. Over the weeks in the Lifeskills room we will aim to develop independence when cooking by using familiar skills to recreate new recipes.

We look forward to a fun and busy half term and as always, thank you for your continued support.

Max

EMPEROR CLASS



In English - reading - We will be working on different levels according to our phonic level, we will be working on the reading of texts and books and answering questions. We will be working on the Entry 1 and 2 functional skills reading lists for the words that we need to read at each individual level of reading. We will be reading to extract information in real life situations. We will be working on CVC words or CVCC words. We will practise our skills of oral segmenting and blending to read, as well as learning whole words by sight. Some will be developing the skills to demonstrate that meaning can be conveyed by marks, symbols, signs or words. Writing - We will be working on our use of capital letters and full stops to punctuate simple sentences and spell out tricky words and common exception words. We will write and identify statements and exclamation sentences and write sentences that have been dictated. Spoken language - The focus this half term is using appropriate forms of communication with unfamiliar people, for example when in the community ordering our own food and drink at a café or paying for an activity.

Maths - We are working on counting, reading and writing, ordering and comparing numbers from up to 20 to 1000 according to our own levels. We will be learning to extract information from lists, tables, diagrams and charts to create frequency tables. We will be learning about money through calculating money using decimal notation and expressing money correctly through writing in pounds and pence and learning to recognise all coins and notes. We will be using money in real life situations. Some will be learning about sequence and pattern.

Science – biology - we will be learning about different habitats, by first comparing things that are living or dead, and things that have never been alive by thinking about life processes. We will look at a variety of different plants and animals in their habitats, by looking at and identifying local habitats, including looking at some minibeasts in microhabitats. We will look at how different living things often live in a habitat that suits them, and we will describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different animals. We will look at different adaptations of animals and plants and how they may depend on each other. We will then look at food chains and different sources of food.

PSHE - we are looking at Being Me in My World including exploring: who am I, my family, family factors, the power of first impressions, faiths and beliefs. For PE we will be using a local leisure centre to join in a group cycling session run by Eco-Local. In ICT we are learning about film making, by planning, researching, filming and editing to make our own documentary. Community visits - we will be learning how to use money in the community by regularly visiting a café and ordering own drink and snack, and we will be navigating our way in familiar and unfamiliar community settings.

In Lifeskills we will be learning how to use a recipe book to look through and choose a recipe to cook. This term we are learning to cook puddings. In vocational skills the class run café has a new menu this term. We are cooking different pastries. We are continuing to look after the chickens and rabbits and will be starting to make some winter hanging baskets. We will be also offering a car washing and winter car check to staff.

Anne

