

**PAPILLON HOUSE SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER**

3rd February 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We were pleased that we did not have to action our contingency plans regarding the teacher strikes this week and managed to stay open for all classes. I would like to thank all the staff who worked together to ensure that this was possible, including our fabulous therapy team who all helped in classes on Wednesday to support class teams and pupils across the school. The children were all fantastic and coped with the changes across the school. Well done to everybody!

Covid

We have had two positive cases of Covid-19 in our Primary department this week. We continue to follow the latest guidance from the Government which is as follows:

“For children and young people aged 18 and under who test positive for COVID-19, the advice is to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for three days. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result are advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for five days, which is when they are most infectious.”

Both children who tested positive this week have remained at home.

Headlice

Could you please check your child’s head for headlice as we have had another case in Lower Primary this week. If your child does have headlice, please treat this before they return to school.

Community Visits

Caterpillar Class and Meadow Class went swimming and cycling this week.

Peacock Class went to Squires Garden Centre.

Swallowtail Class went to Walton-on-the-Hill to play tennis and to Squires Garden Centre.

Star of the Week

Our “Stars” this week are:

Caterpillar	Jamie	<i>“amazing sitting at lunch time with a peer”</i>
Meadow	LJ	<i>“being a good friend”</i>
Peacock	Bailey	<i>“a fantastic day on Thursday and for cooking biscuits and sharing them with his friends”</i>
Swallowtail	Gabriellius	<i>“amazing “Food is Fun” session”</i>

Head Teacher Award

This week the Head Teacher Award went to Kuba in Caterpillar Class. Kuba has been doing some fantastic cooking in Caterpillar Class, and this week, he worked extremely hard. Well done, Kuba! Kuba will be invited to my special tea party at the end of this term.

Birthdays

Sabrina (Class Teacher) in Caterpillar Class celebrated her birthday this week. She received a candle, socks and adult beverages.

Aahil also celebrated his birthday this week in Meadow Class. He had a lovely party and invited a friend from Peacock Class to join him and his other friends in Meadow Class. Aahil received a torch and a magazine from his friends. Happy Birthday Aahil!

Secondary Department News

All of Monarch Class enjoyed their science lesson categorising things by whether they are magnetic or not. They enjoyed making and tasting burgers in their cooking session. In gymnastics Monarch Class worked on making different shapes with their bodies and balancing on the equipment.

Admiral Class used their hands to shape their own burgers in cooking. Sienna had a lovely birthday party and played traditional party games including musical statues. She loved her Mikey Mouse socks and changed into them before going home.

Emperor Class worked really hard at the gym this week and they thoroughly enjoyed their cooking session, tasting what they had cooked. Cassius had a very successful visit to the dentist supported by the school staff. Cassius also really enjoyed his sensory story session this week. Dawid and Thomas are both working hard on their reading and are beginning to see the improvements due to their hard work.

Therapy

Kuba was an absolute superstar in his Food is Fun session on Thursday. He licked three previously not tolerated foods, an orange segment, a tomato slice, and a cucumber slice! Amazing job Kuba! *Lily Prince, Therapy Team Assistant*

Well done to Jenny for great work practicing her speech sounds and being really clear in her Speech and Language Therapy sessions this week. *Shannon Dutton-Noll, Speech and Language Therapist*

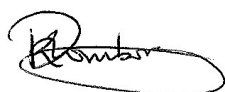
Michael has worked really hard in his sensory diet sessions this week, completing his exercises and putting lots of effort into his skipping with a rope. Well done, Michael. *Donna Venetico, Occupational Therapist.*

Diary Dates

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

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday	8 th February	All day	Safer Internet Day
Friday	10 th February	3pm	End of Spring Term 1

Have a lovely weekend.



Katie Lonnborg
Head Teacher