

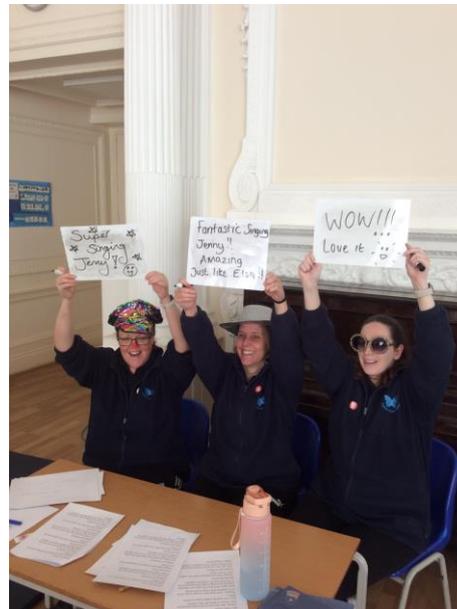
# PAPILLON HOUSE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

17<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It has been another busy week at Papillon. Today was a lot of fun with all the children and young people across the school joining in with our Red Nose Day celebrations. It was lovely to see so many dressed in red for our Mufti Day and it ended today with the most amazing Papillon Talent Show! Many of the children came together to share their skills with each other, including football skills, singing, skipping, Boomwhackers, Logo Mastery and much more. Myself, Claire and Jess were lucky enough to be invited to be judges and we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. Other pupils and staff from across the school came to watch also and all really enjoyed this. Thank you to Alex Merrett (Primary Lead) who organised this fantastic event and to Freddie who helped with all the technical support.

Thank you for all the donations you sent in today. We raised £33.80! This will go to Comic relief.



### **Primary Cinema Trip**

Caterpillar, Meadow, Peacock and Swallowtail classes will be visiting Sutton Empire Cinema to see 'Puss in Boots' next Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Classes will be sharing social stories in preparation for the visit. If you would like a copy of the story please contact your teacher or the office to request this.

### **Community Visits**

Caterpillar Class went swimming and all went cycling.

Meadow Class went swimming and all went cycling.

Peacock Class went horse riding.

Some of Swallowtail Class visited Newlands Corner.

### **Star of the Week**

Our "Stars" this week are:

Caterpillar                 Jamie             for "*amazing transitioning around school*"

Meadow                     Jack             for "*amazing phonics*"

Peacock                    Benjamin     for "*fantastic cycling on Thursday*"

Swallowtail               Gabrielius     for "*a very good week and taking part in most activities*"

### **Birthdays**

Happy birthday to Mia who celebrated her birthday this week! She received a unicorn popper and some unicorn jewellery.

### **Secondary Department News**

Monarch class have been enjoying their topic on dinosaurs, they have had attention autism flour dinosaurs, they have been exploring frozen dinosaur eggs and made dinosaur footprints. They have also been making Mother's Day gifts and cards.

Admiral class have been preparing Mother's Day gifts and cards in the context of attention autism circles. In their topic they have explored Greta Thunberg and have made fact files on Greta using their own research. In science they have looked at animals and their habitats using research to find their habitat and their prey.

Emperor class had a fabulous trip to Walton-on-the Hill and enjoyed a class game of football where James showed us his skills in goal. Emperor Class enjoyed making jam tarts.

### **Therapy**

Well done to Freddie for being very committed to developing his individualised fitness programme in his 1:1 OT sessions. *Donna Venetico, Occupational Therapist.*

Thank you to Bailey for helping his friends in learning to tie their shoelaces. Well done Bailey. *Donna Venetico, Occupational Therapist, Occupational Therapist.*

Well done to Joshua for engaging really well in his paired Speech and Language Therapy session this week. *Jessica Mason, Speech and Language Therapist and Lily Prince, Therapy Team Assistant.*

### **Understanding Autism**

Thank you to everyone who has sent back the questionnaires about understanding autism. It is really lovely to read your feedback and get your views. A reminder for anyone who hasn't yet sent them back, it would really help us to move forward with this if we can get as many responses as possible. In particular we have not had many back from Secondary families. The more responses we have, the more we can tailor our ideas to meet our specific pupils needs.

Thank you very much.

*Heather Dilks-Hopper (Head of Therapy)*

**Term Dates 2022-2023**

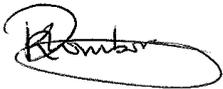
Please see attached updated term dates to reflect the additional bank holiday on Monday 8 May 2023 to mark the King's Coronation.

**Diary Dates**

Below is a list of events taking place next term. Further information will be sent nearer the time.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup> March	AM	Primary Cinema Visit
Wednesday	29 <sup>th</sup> March	AM	Secondary Cinema Visit
Friday	31 <sup>st</sup> March	All day	Easter egg hunts with the Easter Bunny
Friday	31 <sup>st</sup> March	2pm	Spring Term 2 ends

Have a lovely weekend.



Katie Lonnborg  
Head Teacher