PAPILLON HOUSE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

24th February 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It was great to welcome all the children and young people back to Papillon this week and I hope you all had a lovely half-term holiday.

I am delighted to inform you that our new school secretary, Jennie, started at Papillon this week. She has enjoyed her first week, which has included spending time in most classes to get to know the children and staff across the school. We have unfortunately said goodbye to one of our SNAs this week, Charlene in Monarch Class. She will be very much missed by us all at Papillon but we all wish her well in her new job.

Uniform

If you have ordered uniform but have not yet received it, can you please make contact with Jennie who will contact our supplier to chase any uniform that has not yet arrived, or check to see if we have what you are missing in stock. If you wish to order new uniform, please contact Jennie and she will send a uniform order form home with your child/young person.

If you have any old uniform that no longer fits your child/young person, please do send it in and we will offer it to families in need. Times are hard at the moment and if you are struggling and would like us to source second hand uniform, please make contact and we will do the best we can to find some uniform in the size you require.

Class Topics – Spring Term 2

Caterpillar Class – Pets
Meadow Class – Springtime
Peacock Class – Wild Animals
Swallowtail Class – British Wildlife
Monarch Class – Dinosaurs
Admiral Class – Famous People and Me
Emperor Class – Looking After Living Things

Next week you will receive some further information from the class teachers detailing what the children will be learning about in different subject areas throughout this half-term.

Physical Off-site Visits - Spring Term 2

Caterpillar Class and Meadow Class – Swimming (Tuesday's) and Cycling (Thursday's) Peacock Class – Horse riding (Thursday's) Swallowtail Class – Tennis/Football/Basketball (Monday's) Monarch Class and Admiral Class – Tennis/Basketball/Football (Wednesday's) Emperor Class – Gym (Monday's)

Community Visits

Caterpillar Class went swimming and cycling.

Meadow Class went swimming and cycling.

Peacock Class went to Pets at Home and horse riding.

Swallowtail Class went to Pets at Home and tennis at Walton-on-the-Hill.

Our focus for Primary Assemblies this half term are:

Date	Celebration	Teaching focus (not all pupils)
20/02/23	Pancake Day	Jigsaw Puzzle Launch- Healthy Me
27/02/23	World Book Day-	Guess the story game
	Dressing up-show costumes	
	Swallowtail to present story	
	Head Teachers Award	
6/03/23	International Womens' Day	Inspirational Women.
	Peacock Present Celebration	Equality pp
	Head Teachers Award	
13/03/23	British Science Week	Science experiment
	Meadow Class present	Staying Healthy
	celebration	
	Head Teachers Award	
20/03/23	Mother's Day	Jigsaw Healthy Me
	Caterpillar Class presentation	
	Head Teachers Award	
27/03/23	Easter Hunt and Bunny	Easter story

Star of the Week

Our "Stars" this week are:

Caterpillar	Kuba	"for amazing communication and participation in class."
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Meadow James "for a fantastic week and trying different fruits."

Peacock Bailey "for good work completing all of his phonics worksheets."

Swallowtail Mila "for an amazing week and completing some outdoor science work."

Birthdays

Tiana celebrated her birthday in caterpillar Class and received a travel "aquadoodle" from her friends. Bailey received a sea monkeys aquarium and enjoyed celebrating his birthday during the week.

Secondary Department News

Monarch Class have had a successful return to school, all very settled and all very happy to be back at school. Monarch and Admiral had a fantastic trip to Tesco Gatwick, collecting pancake ingredients and had a group snack in the café. Monarch Class began their new topic on the history of dinosaurs, and were all very engaged, interested, and keen to learn.

Admiral Class had a successful return to school. We began the week by starting Gymnastics in PE, with the whole class showing excited engagement, and Thomas being very brave, jumping off the horse onto the mat! Well done, Thomas! Admiral Class were all very excited by the return of their friend Shea this week. Welcome back Shea!

Everybody in Emperor Class were very happy to be back in school and keen to share stories about their break with each other. James did exceptionally well on our trip out this week, paying for his snack at the shop independently. We also began a new menu in our café this week, which now includes leek and potato or chicken noodle soup, and all of Emperor Class enjoyed making the new recipes. Emperor Class also began their new topic of looking after living things and pupils are looking forward to using their previous experience to help explore this topic further.

Therapy

A huge well done to James in Meadow Class for participating extremely well in the food exploration group this week. James tried the watermelon and pineapple and made his own watermelon juice which he drank. *Fran Byrne, Occupational Therapist.*

Very well done to Zachary in Peacock class for his amazing effort in the sensory diet session on Thursday. Zachary persevered and worked especially hard to complete the scooterboard activity, completing 4 consecutive turns to match coloured hoops to corresponding coloured cones. *Donna Venetico, Occupational Therapist.*

Well done to Mia and Sienna for engaging in positive social interactions together during their joint Occupational Therapy and Speech and Language Therapy session this week. *Lilian Prince, Therapy Team Assistant and Tasha Renton, Speech and Language Therapy Assistant*.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating all week next week! Starting with dressing up as favourite story characters on Monday and special assemblies. We will also have sensory stories running throughout the week including 'Superworm', 'We're going on a Bear Hunt' and 'Where the Wild Things Are.' There are going to be musical stories and a special reading tent in the library.

Lower Primary are going to be celebrating books by Julia Donaldson. There is a fabulous Gruffalo and Zog Trail in Alice Holt Forest near Farnham if you get chance to visit. BBC iPlayer also has versions of the stories that are a good watch!

Upper Primary are looking at books by Roald Dahl. They will be including cooking and an assembly performance.

Secondary will be focussing on books by Michael Morpurgo, including a live online session with the author himself on Thursday morning. They will be taking part in a 'read-a-thon' to raise money for 'Read for Good', a charity that provides books for children's hospitals. Sponsor forms will be coming home today.

We are looking forward to a great week enjoying reading!

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	
W/b Monday	27 th February	All day	World Book Week	
Monday	27 th February	All day	World Book Dress-up Day	
Wednesday	8 th March	All day	World Maths Day	
Friday	17 th March	All day	Red Nose Day	
Wednesday	22 nd March	AM	Primary Cinema Visit	
Wednesday	29 th March	AM	Secondary Cinema Visit	
Friday	31 st march	All day	Easter egg hunts with the Easter Bunny	
Friday	31 st March	2pm	Spring Term 2 ends	

Have a lovely weekend.

Katie Lonnborg Head Teacher