

PAPILLON HOUSE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

21st April 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Everybody has enjoyed the first week back at Papillon this week and it was lovely to see all our pupils on Monday. I hope you all had an enjoyable Easter break. We are all looking forward to this term ahead of us which is always a favourite with the warmer weather and lots of upcoming events. This half-term we will be carrying out some whole day trips, including a whole school trip to the miniature railway at Leatherhead.

We are planning our “Coronation Celebration” currently and we will be holding this on Thursday 4th May. So far classes have asked to have an afternoon tea style lunch, disco, coronation quiche competition, and outdoor games. Children will be invited to wear mufti clothes in red, white and blue on the day. We will keep you updated on the plans and look forward to sharing some photos of the event with you afterwards.

Absence

Just a little reminder please to let the office know as early as possible if your child will be off sick or late into school for any reason. You can either contact the office on the main telephone number (01372 363663) or email us at admin@papillonhouseschool.co.uk explaining the reason for absence/lateness. Please be mindful that holidays should only be taken during the school holidays and not during term time. However, in exceptional circumstances only, permission may be given but will need to be formally requested in writing to the Head Teacher in advance.

School Uniform

If you have any spare uniform at home that you no longer need, we would be very grateful if you could donate it to the school. As part of the life skills ASDAN qualification Emperor class will be holding a uniform sale in July and will be sorting, washing and preparing the uniform ready for sale during parents’ evenings later in the year. More details to follow!

PSHE

As part of our Jigsaw PSHE scheme, this term the whole school will be learning about relationships. This will be taught according to the children’s age and level of understanding. If you have any questions or would like to be re-sent the Jigsaw information, please contact your child’s class teacher or our Curriculum and Assessment Lead: naomi.hills@papillonhouseschool.co.uk

Class Topics – Summer Term 1

Caterpillar Class – Our Senses
Meadow Class – Transport
Peacock Class – Healthy Eating
Swallowtail Class – Healthy Me
Monarch Class – Planet Earth
Admiral Class – Me and My Local Community
Emperor Class – The Wider Community

Physical Off-site Visits – Summer Term 1

Caterpillar Class – Horse riding (Thursday’s)
Meadow Class – Football (Wednesday’s)
Peacock Class – Cycling (Thursday’s)
Swallowtail Class – Cycling (Thursday’s)
Monarch Class - Swimming at Dorking Leisure Centre (Tuesday’s)
Admiral Class – Swimming at Dorking Leisure Centre (Tuesday’s)
Emperor Class – Swimming at Cheam/Westcroft (Monday’s)

Community Visits

Caterpillar Class went to Headley Heath and horse riding.

Meadow Class went to the Stepping Stones in Dorking and football at Epsom Park.

Peacock Class went to Dobbie's Garden Centre in Wallington and cycling.

Swallowtail Class went cycling, Lidl in Epsom and Freddie took some recycling to ASDA.

Star of the Week

Our "Stars" this week are:

Caterpillar Tiana for *"an amazing first horse riding session."*

Meadow LJ for *"joining in all activities this week and some amazing communications."*

Peacock Aiden, Bailey and Zachary for *"amazing numeracy this week."*

Swallowtail Alfie for *"going on the bus to cycling for the first time this year."*

Head Teacher Award

This week Ahiyan received the Head Teacher Award for excellent participation in observing Ramadan this past month. He has taken a very mature approach to this. Well done, Ahiyan. Ahiyan will join the Head Teacher tea party at the end of this term.

Two pupils were unable to receive their awards at the end of last term, therefore they received them this week instead. Well done to Joseph who received his for participating well in Mother's Day activities. Well done to Nicholas who received his for amazing phonics work at school and at home. Both Joseph and Nicholas will join the Head Teacher tea party at the end of this term.

Birthdays

Izzy (SNA in Peacock class) celebrated her birthday this week. She received a voucher, chocolates and some new pyjamas.

Sue (SNA in Peacock class) also celebrated her birthday this week. She received some chocolates, a candle and some adult beverages!

Lucy (SNA in Caterpillar class) celebrated her birthday this week and received some slippers, socks, a voucher and some pyjamas for her birthday.

We wish them all a very happy birthday!

Secondary Department News

Monarch - Monarch Class have enjoyed being back at Papillon. We took part in our first swimming session of the year at Dorking Leisure Centre, all having a wonderful time. We also had the opportunity to look round and pick books in Banstead Library which was a new experience for most. We have enjoyed some sensory activities around our topic, Planet Earth, and learning some new ICT skills.

Admiral - Admiral Class have had a fantastic first week back, settling well into their routines and enjoying sharing stories from their school holidays. Admiral Class joined Monarch on a trip to Banstead Library where pupils engaged in library exploration activities, finding books dependant on specific prompts. Admiral Class also enjoyed their trip to the swimming pool in Dorking Leisure Centre, the first of many trips, honing our abilities in the pool. We are all looking forward to a fantastic term, looking at our local community topic, and enjoying the much-needed sunshine!

Emperor - Emperor Class enjoyed swimming at Cheam swimming pool. This is a public swimming time, so we are learning how to encounter, and keep safe, when changing at a public pool. We are also learning how to look after our things by locking them away in a locker, including looking after the key. Emperor Class have started a new menu in the café this term and are learning to make homemade burgers. Some of the students and their parents have been visiting local colleges and their open days to see what the options are for when they are ready to leave Papillon House School.

Therapy

Well done to Gabriellus for participating well in his 1:1 sensory diet sessions this week. *Donna Venetico, Occupational Therapist and Tabitha Garnett, Occupational Therapist Assistant Practitioner*

Well done to Logan S for participating really well in his joint SaLT and OT session this week, focusing on emotional literacy and regulation. *Jess Mason, Speech and Language Therapist and Donna Venetico, Occupational Therapist.*

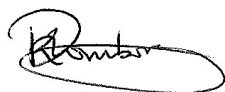
Diary Dates

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

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday	1 st May	All day	School closed (bank holiday)
Thursday	4 th May	All day	Coronation Celebration Day
Monday	8 th May	All day	School closed (bank holiday)
Wednesday	10 th May	All day	Primary whole day trip to Kew Gardens
Monday	22 nd May	All day	Monarch Class and Admiral Class - whole day trip
Wednesday	24 th May	All day	Whole school trip to Leatherhead miniature railway
Friday	26 th May	3.00pm	End of Summer Term 1
Monday	12 th June	9.30am	Start of Summer Term 2

Please find below an overview of each class's topics and planning for this term.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.



Katie Lonnborg
Head Teacher

CATERPILLAR CLASS



Our topic this half term is our Senses! We will be taking part in learning based on the five senses. We will be looking at a different sense each week beginning in week one with an introduction to our senses. During the term, 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 displays which will be "Our Senses" and "Our Community Visits." The children all love looking at their work and we plan to make a giant nose out of papier-mâché, glasses, favourite food art among other fun art and craft activities.

Our first community visit this term will be to Headley Heath to use our senses on a walk. We will also visit a café to choose a special snack, an all-day trip to Kew Gardens and hopefully the Lavender Fields in Banstead.

Caterpillar class will be continuing their sessions with Julie from Boogie Beat on a Friday morning. This is a very popular session that the children have been enjoying. There will be new stories and songs including 'Jack and the Beanstalk,' 'The Circus,' and 'The Hare and the Tortoise.' We will also continue with music maths, learning number songs and rhymes.

We will be continuing with our phonics sessions linked to sounds and letters during Literacy as well as using the Reading Eggs program on the iPad to learn different letters and sounds. In the library the children will be sharing books with an adult and enjoying story sacks based on our topic. We also have some lovely senses books and stories to read and watch on the interactive whiteboard.

Our PE sessions this term will be horse riding off site. Some of the children have been before but it will be new for others. We will learn to be around the horses and care for them as well as building our confidence and core strength riding them. We will also continue our PE/OT sessions developing fine and gross motor skills and we're excited to have dance sessions with Akedemi dance on Wednesday afternoons.

During Numeracy we will continue to focus on our numbers and counting. We will continue to look at money and use it to pay for a snack on our trip to the café as well as experimenting with weighing scales learning about 'heavy and light'. In Science we will be focussing on our senses, we will be tasting 'sweet and sour items', experimenting with 'hot and cold' and using magnifying glasses to explore our environment.

As part of their creative development, children will be making a variety of different craft activities that help us develop our understanding of our senses. In cooking we will make vegetable and halloumi kebabs, Tzatziki, pizzas, flap jacks, vegetable tarts and mint and pea frittatas. 'Food is Fun' will continue Thursday afternoons with an alternative food sensory fun session for some pupils. PECs and fine motor sessions led by therapy will continue.

Caterpillar class are learning to be independent when moving around school. We will be continuing with personal care, where the children will be encouraged to independently brush their teeth and wash their faces. They will be encouraged to find and put away their own property.

Our Jigsaw PSHE topic this half term is 'relationships' and we will be looking at people who are important to us and continue with our PSHE targets.

It's going to be a busy and fun half term!

Sabrina

MEADOW CLASS



- **Topic**

Our **topic** for Summer 1 is **Transport**! Meadow class are already excited for the new topic and will be learning about all types of transport, how they work and what they're usually used for. We will hopefully be able use our community visits to explore different transport from up close, including getting the train from Betchworth to Reigate!

- **Off-site physical activity**

Meadow class will be practising their football skills every week in the park. These include controlled running, stopping and kicking a football, slow running controlling a football and aiming for a goal. **Please provide tracksuit trousers and trainers every Wednesday for football session. Items will be returned at the end of the day each week.*

- **Literacy**

Meadow class will be learning lots of new topic-related vocabulary and will practise writing them. We will carry on with our weekly library sessions, so please keep an eye on the reading record book! Children will continue to make progress on their phonics knowledge through fun phonics sessions that involve different activities such as reading books, playing games and completing tasks on Reading Eggs.

- **Maths**

Meadow class will apply all learnt skills to complete individual maths' work each week. We will also take part in lots of role play activities in relationship to the topic so that children can practice paying for a train or bus ticket with real money.

- **PE – Athletics**

This term Meadow class will undertake very fun PE sessions and focus on developing their balance and coordination, which would be a great skill to develop our football skills! Children in Meadow class will have the opportunity to practice different ways of moving along a circuit and playing coordination games together.

- **PSHE and ICT:**

- For **Personal, Social and Health Education**, Meadow class will be working on relationships, discussing how to make friends, what is a friend and what is acceptable/unacceptable physical contact. We will continue with their personal care session with focus on haircare, including using a headlice comb.

ICT – Children will work on using technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content on different devices i.e. desktop, laptop, iPad

We look forward to another fun half term with all the children in Meadow Class.

Best wishes,

Kris

PEACOCK CLASS



I hope you have all had a lovely Easter break. This half term, Peacock class' topic is 'Healthy Eating'. We will learn about a different nutrient each week and why it is important to include this in our diets. This week, we have been learning about proteins and how they help repair our body and muscles. In week two we will learn about carbohydrates and the role they play in a healthy diet. In week three, we will take a break from our healthy eating topic and will be doing lots of fun activities and learning about the upcoming coronation of King Charles. In week four, we will learn about fatty foods and why we need a certain amount of our diet. In week five, we will learn about vitamins and minerals and the function these have in keeping our bodies healthy. In week six we will learn about portion sizes and the 'eatwell plate' and how we need to have a certain amount of each nutrient in our diet.

We will read a number of topic related stories in our library sessions including 'Chocolate Moose for Greedy Goose' by Julia Donaldson, 'I Will Never, Not Ever, Eat a Tomato' by Lauren Child and 'Eat Your Peas' by Kes Gray and Nick Sharratt. This half term, we look forward to enjoying our weekly community visits, including trips to the garden centre to buy resources for our outdoor learning sessions and to local woodland areas for walks in the (hopefully) sunshine! Peacock class will also have the very exciting opportunity to visit Kew Gardens in the upcoming weeks. Our physical activity has now changed and so for the rest of this academic year we will be cycling on Thursdays. There are no specific clothes or equipment need for these sessions, however, with the weather gradually improving, we will be ensuring all children are wearing sun cream when spending time outdoors. If your child has a particular brand they use, please feel free to send this in, alternatively I will be providing sun cream for the class as a whole.

Julie will be continuing her Boogie Beat interactive story sessions for some of the children in Peacock class on Friday mornings, and we will also continue to take part in weekly Akademi dance sessions on Wednesdays with Anusha. In our P.E sessions this half term, we will be following the Twinkl Scheme of work – Gymnastics – Shapes and developing skills in balance, agility and co-ordination by performing a range of gymnastics movements and actions. Our Science focus for this half term is Biology and we will be learning about different parts of flowers and different plants. We will also look at different parts of animals and conduct an experiment to find out what happens when you grow plants in different places, withholding something that plants need to grow (either sunshine or water etc.)

In our Jigsaw PSHE sessions, our half termly focus is 'relationships' and how we can build positive relations with family, friends and ourselves. Our ICT focus this half term will be 'computer art' and we will be using a range of programmes to create art in different forms (such as pointillism, colour coding and pop art). For R.E. this half term, we will be learning about the Torah and why it is important to Jewish families. For outdoor learning, we will be taking responsibility for our own 'mini allotments' and growing a range of vegetables and plants of our choosing.

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



This half term, Swallowtail's topic is 'Healthy Me' where we will be focusing on the different ways we can stay healthy and have healthier routines! The children will be bringing in their own "personal care" bags at the beginning of the term and we will be hoping to use those items each morning during a session in the bathrooms next to the classroom. In the first week, we will be focusing on healthy foods, discussing those we already know about as well as some we didn't realise were good for us. We will also be touching on different nutrients that help animals to live and grow. Additionally, we will be starting cycling sessions on Thursday mornings this term, which I know the children really love and it will give them an opportune time to exercise their bodies doing something they enjoy. We are also going to continue going on community visits on Tuesday afternoons to venture to places in the community which relate to our topic of "Healthy Me" such as supermarkets, garden centres and a restaurant! Then in the second week, we will start learning about different types of healthy routines such as brushing our teeth and going for regular walks as part of an exercise regime, and we will be talking about the reasons why this is so important.

In the third week, we will be looking at starting healthy and balanced diets and what this would entail. The children will be using the learning they would have been taught about in week one and two to carry this work out. We will also be discussing the impact of staying healthy and having unhealthy habits in your routine throughout the third and fourth weeks. We will also be thinking about ways in which we can change our unhealthy lifestyles in the fifth week. Moreover, in the sixth and final week of term, we will be using our learning from the past five weeks to think of some highlights of the topic as well as looking at and discussing our (hopefully) more healthy lifestyles.

With regards to Swallowtail's community visits his half term, we will be aiming to visit LIDL supermarket, Box Hill Nature Trail, Pizza Express Dorking, Kew Gardens and Priory Farm. Swallowtail class had the exciting chance to visit Sutton Empire cinema to see "Puss in Boots" with their primary friends last term and they all did amazingly well and enjoyed the film immensely.

In our Numeracy lessons, Swallowtail class will be focussing on using the term "more" when comparing amounts, sharing objects between a given number, estimating and checking their estimates to how many objects they think are contained within a container, writing numerals as words, using scales to measure the weight of objects and recording data in tables and graphs this term, and in their Literacy sessions, some children are continuing with some guided reading sessions in groups as well as continuing to better their writing through using adjectives, tricky words and continuing to use apostrophes and full stops in the appropriate places. Additionally, other children will be focusing on phonemes and graphemes, taking part in discussions, taking turns when it is appropriate as well as discussing root words and identifying them with their partners. We will also be continuing our exciting phonics sessions each week using the Twinkl scheme of work which I know the class enjoy very much. Many of the children have moved up a level in phonics this year which is such great news, and others are extremely close to doing so!

For PE this term, Swallowtail class will start taking part in sessions based around gymnastics, and more specifically shapes and shaping of movement where they will be using their already quite capable movement skills to build up to a gymnastics performance in week six. Some children will also be continuing with their yoga sessions that are always very exciting with Jamie from Cosmic Kids! Our topic for PSHE this term is "Relationships" and in week one we will have a Primary assembly where I will be discussing the topic overall. For Science sessions, Swallowtail class will be continuing our focus on Biology this term and carrying out lessons which include looking at rocks and matching some by size and colour as well as observing others making notes and comparing them with peers.

Lastly, the class will be cooking different foods in cooking sessions with Sarah on a Wednesday, including some vegetable and fruit-based delicacies which link to our topic of "Healthy Me"!

Alex

MONARCH CLASS



Monarch Class are going to be working hard this term learning all about Planet Earth, starting with Earth Day which is on 22nd April. In Literacy we will be completing reading comprehension based on information on Planet Earth from a series on Twinkl supported by David Attenborough. We will also be looking at the book 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers and learning about the planet we live on. Taking care of our planet will be an important lesson and we will be making leaflets and posters educating others and raising awareness. We will be continuing with our individual phonics programmes and reading schemes.

In Numeracy we will be learning about time- starting with day and night and then what different events happen at different times of the day. We will start to tell the time on analogue clocks and learn how this is converted to digital clocks. Monarch class will be using number operations to work out increasingly difficult calculations. We will be gathering data to do with planet Earth and how to look after it.

Our Science area is Physics so we will be learning about the Earth and how it rotates and moves around the sun. We will also be learning about other sources of lights and how shadows work. We will be conducting scientific experiments.

In our topic sessions we will be learning about where we live- our homes, local areas, counties, country and continent. We will be using tools on Google Earth to look at Papillon House School, our area and other places in the world. If you have anywhere special to your family, please let us know and we will look it up!

In PSHE we will be continuing the Jigsaw scheme of work. The topic for this term is 'Relationships' and we will be learning specifically about how our closest relationships can effect mental health and how to maintain healthy relationships. We will also be thinking about who our closest relationships are with.

Our community visits this term will be split – some pupils will go Mondays and others on Wednesdays. Monarch will be joining Admiral class for trips. We've already been to Headley to look at features of planet Earth and admire the signs of Spring. Some pupils also enjoyed a visit to Banstead Library where they chose books to bring back to school. Future trips will include more spring walks, visits to supermarkets and parks. Some pupils will be learning about our local community and services. Our final trip of the half term will be to Leatherhead Miniature Railway.

On Tuesdays we will be swimming, exercising in the water with some warmup activities and games. We will also be taking part in some circuit training and yoga in PE. In cooking we will be making burgers, quiche, sausage rolls, pizza and cookies. The quiche is in honour of the Kings Coronation which we will be celebrating the week leading up to the main day.

We are looking forward to another fun and busy half term!

Monarch Class Team

ADMIRAL CLASS



Our topic this half term is focused on 'me and my local community.' We will incorporate PSHE, literacy, community visits and technology to explore what a community is, what a community includes, and how we as individuals fit into our local environment. We will begin by exploring what a community is and gathering a basis of our knowledge of what might be included within a community. Following on from this each week we will focus on a different sector within communities, for example, police and their role, and firefighters and their role. We hope to embed this knowledge through community visits to explore each role in more depth. During the final week we will embark on a research project of our choice, exploring a role that interests us within the local community.

Admiral class this term will be joining Monarch class and attending a swimming session once a week in Dorking Leisure Centre. We will begin each session with a warmup in the water, completing some water aerobics drills and getting used to being in the water. Following on from this, pupils will have the chance to freely swim at their own level of comfort with staff supporting any skills or challenges they wish to face and overcome while in the water.

During Literacy, Admiral class will be completing a Phonics lesson each week, linked to sounds and letters at our targeted levels. These sessions will be reinforced by continuing our visit to the library every Monday where the children will listen to a story and then look at books individually or with a peer or adult. We will also be completing a handwriting session each week to help improve our pencil control skills and perfect the art of forming letters, and so far, we seem to be enjoying seeing the improvement in our work. Our Literacy sessions will also provide a link to our topic, and we will complete a reflection each week to continue developing our spoken language skills.

During maths, we will be continuing to develop our understanding of number, practising recognising number, as well as forming these correctly. We will use concrete materials to support the developing contextual understanding of number, specifically multiplication and division. This term we will hold a big focus around counting in 2's, 5's, and 10's to support and scaffold our understanding of multiplication and division. In addition, we will be looking at temperature and time, exploring how to read these off different devices and what they mean for us in our lives.

Within Science, we will be focussing on Physics, looking at electricity. We will begin by gaining a baseline for what pupils already know by creating a whole class mind map of ideas surrounding electricity. Over the following weeks we will then take a deeper look at different things that use electricity and the different sources of electricity we can use. We will conclude this topic by creating our own circuits, drawing on all the knowledge we have uncovered throughout the term.

The theme of our PE sessions this half term will be looking at pulling the skills we have learnt in other terms to explore playing different team games outside. We will use the skills learnt in gymnastics and ball skills to successfully play games such as handball and volleyball.

Finally, in cooking we will be looking at completing our ASDAN meal preparation introduction booklet. We will explore the importance of hygiene, health and safety and food storage to develop our independence in the kitchen. Throughout the term we will be preparing hot and cold drinks, creating both hot and cold snacks, and discovering the ease of convenience foods and how these can make our cooking experiences easier.

Max

EMPEROR CLASS



This half term, Emperor class will be continuing Literacy and Numeracy lessons that will improve and develop skills that will enable them to interact with their topic 'Wider Community'. They will look at sequences and patterns in the environment including number sequences and criteria for sorting and classifying objects and other features of the world about them.

Developing vocational skills is a key element of the programme. The students will explore transferrable skills that can be applied to the world of work but also to other aspects of their lives, including their leisure time. They will look at their ability to make decisions, to try new things, to communicate and to organize. The students will also learn to recognize and appreciate their creativity.

In the Enterprise Cafe, the students will be preparing meals from scratch (this term they will be making burgers, which should be very popular). They will learn about food hygiene, about taking responsibility and making decisions and about how to use a range of kitchen equipment safely. Learning to stay safe in an environment with sharp utensils and very hot surfaces will, clearly, be valuable but, almost as importantly, they will learn to cooperate in a team and make an individual contribution to a shared enterprise and achieve a common goal.

In ICT, we are going to explore spreadsheets. These are very complicated, but, with support, we expect that the students will learn some key skills and develop an understanding of how these programs work and what they can be used for.

In Science we will be learning about Physics and the topic this term will be all about the planets in our solar system. We will be learning words such as 'orbit' and 'rotate', and how to answer key questions such as:- How do the planets in the solar system move? How do you know? Where is your evidence? To understand that scientific ideas need to be backed with evidence.

In PSHE we will be learning about relationships; being in control of ourselves and to understand that relationships affect everything we do in our lives, and that relationship skills have to be learned and practised. We will also look at learning to understand that social media can both positively and negatively affect how we feel about ourselves and to know that some things can be done to manage the impact of how social media makes us feel about ourselves.

In Citizenship we will be looking at first aid, what to do in an emergency, how to make an emergency phone call as well as gaining some confidence in the things that can be done in a first aid situation such as with burns and scalds, bleeding or choking.

For our physical activity this term we will be swimming. This will include using our membership cards to swim in a public pool so we will be learning how to keep safe in a changing room, looking after our belongings by placing them into a locker and looking after the key.

As the weather improves and the great outdoors becomes more inviting, there will be more opportunities for students to get outdoors and beyond the school gates to explore, appreciate and enjoy their 'Wider Community'.

The Emperor Team