

# PAPILLON HOUSE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have all enjoyed this last week of term with many classes taking advantage of the weather and enjoying activities such as sensory play outdoors. This included a very energetic water fight that I was lucky to be part of with Gabriel in Monarch Class!

It has been a pleasure to welcome parents and families in school at the many events this term, including the family BBQ this Monday. The children are always excited on the build up to the BBQ and they enjoy sharing this experience in school with their family and friends. We also welcomed back some of our ex-pupils who graduated from Papillon to college. I would like to say a special thank you to the staff for their hard work in preparing for the family BBQ and their food contributions also.

Thank you to all our parents and families who came to support our summer events this term and thank you for the treats and presents that have been sent into school for staff this week. I wish you all a fabulous summer and look forward to seeing our children and young people in September.

## **Physical Off-site Visits – Summer Term 2**

Caterpillar Class – Horse riding (Thursdays)

Meadow Class – Tennis (Wednesdays)

Peacock Class – Cycling (Thursdays)

Swallowtail Class – Cycling (Thursdays)

Monarch Class - Swimming at Dorking Leisure Centre (Tuesdays)

Admiral Class – Swimming at Dorking Leisure Centre (Tuesdays)

Emperor Class – Swimming (Mondays)

## **Community Visits**

Caterpillar Class went to Epsom Downs for kite flying and horse riding.

Meadow Class went to play tennis in the park.

Peacock Class went cycling.

Swallowtail Class went cycling and to Reigate Travel Agents.

## **Horse Riding**

All of Caterpillar Class received a rosette and certificate at horse riding this week! Nicholas and Ariya were also awarded a trophy, Nicholas for his amazing achievement in gaining confidence on the horses and Ariya for horse riding with great enthusiasm. 😊



## Birthdays

Alfie celebrated his birthday this week and received a construction truck set and kinetic sand.

LJ will be celebrating his birthday in the holidays and received some kinetic sand.

Logan S is also due to celebrate his birthday in the holidays and has a surprise from his class to open on his special day. We hope you all have a lovely birthday!

## Secondary Department News

**Monarch Class** had a fantastic final week. Some of us visited Tilgate Park where we enjoyed looking at the animals in the nature centre and walking around the lake. We have also enjoyed some water fights at school and spent time in class reflecting back on a wonderful year. We had a party for Louis' birthday which he will be celebrating in the holidays. Happy birthday Louis!

**Admiral Class** have had an amazing last week of the 2022/23 academic year! We started the week with our transition morning where the class explored their new classroom and spent time getting even more familiar with their new staff team. All of Admiral should be extremely proud of themselves for how well they were able to cope and manage these changes. Admiral class also enjoyed their final trip, spending the whole day at Tilgate Park, admiring the scenery, discovering some of the animals in the nature centre, and even having some ice creams and hot chocolates! Admiral Class have been an absolute pleasure to teach this year, everyone has worked so hard, and achieved so much in what feels like a very short space of time. Thank you to everyone for their continued support for the class team and I, it will be very sad passing the class on for next year. However I have no doubt Admiral class will continue to show just how amazing they are! All of the staff in Admiral would like to wish everyone a wonderful summer break, and we look forward to hearing some of your summer stories in September.

**Emperor Class** enjoyed cooking tango pasta and brownies this week for the BBQ and our community visit trip. Our highlight of the week was our visit to the Queen Elizabeth Country Park. We had a lovely day walking round the grounds and everyone braved the assault course! Joe especially showed great trust and perseverance. James and Thomas were very brave and Yara displayed great determination. Stuart enjoyed a peaceful walk taking in the sights and sounds of the beautiful surroundings.

## Therapy

Well done to Jenny for her amazing progress in sensory diet, managing to complete thirty+ skips with a rope.

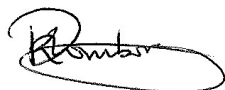
*Lily Prince (Therapy Team Assistant)*

## Diary Dates

Below is a list of events for the first week of the Autumn term.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday	4 <sup>th</sup> September	Closed	School closed to all pupils for staff INSET training day
Tuesday	5 <sup>th</sup> September	Closed	School closed to all pupils for staff INSET training day
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30am	First day of term

I hope you all have a lovely summer break and I look forward to seeing all our children back for the new academic year on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September.



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