

Papillon House School Newsletter

Autumn Term 2
Friday 8th December 2023



Dear Parents/Guardians,

This week the children and staff enjoyed participating in the official Christmas Jumper Day and it was great to see so many of our young people in their festive colourful clothes for the day! We raised £55.25 for Save the Children!

We are inviting all children, young people and staff to join in with our Christmas Mufti Day on Monday 18th December and on that occasion we will be taking donations for Crisis.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you all to celebrate the festive season with us next Wednesday at our Christmas show. If you haven't yet responded with how many seats you would like please contact Jennie in the school office.

Primary Department News

Woodland Class had a fun and busy week! The class celebrated teacher Kris' birthday party, all the children had an amazing time and enjoyed some treats during the party. Kris received lots of lovely presents including experience tickets, a planter, a calendar, outdoor bee lights and a special mug. Woodland class have been busy rehearsing for the Christmas show and making Christmas decorations for their class display board and the big hall. We had an amazing time at Bocketts Farm on Wednesday, meeting Father Christmas and choosing a toy from the workshop. On Thursday the class were excited to show their Christmas jumpers to all friends in school, and went to the Garden Centre to drop their Christmas letter in Santa's grotto and see all Christmas decorations - we are all getting into the festive mood!

Meadow Class Meadow enjoyed a lovely trip to Bocketts Farm this week to see Father Christmas and visited Ashtead Garden Centre to look at the Christmas displays. The children also completed some great writing in English and enjoyed making different things for our Christmas display. We have been busy rehearsing and singing in preparation for next week!

Peacock Class have been busy rehearsing for the Christmas show. They also completed some fantastic making on Thursday for our display board all about "Jack and the Beanstalk". All of Peacock class enjoyed horse riding and also had a fantastic time visiting Father Christmas at Bocketts Farm on Wednesday too. Well done Peacock class.



Fantastic making for our 'Jack & the Beanstalk' display board .

Reminders and Requests

Our **Children's Christmas Fair** will take place on Thursday 14th December. If you have any donations of toys or books that are in a good condition could you please send these in to us on Monday 11th December. If you would like to donate any cakes please could these be sent in too. (No nuts please.) All children and young people are asked to bring in a donation of £2 (minimum) to attend the fair where they will meet Father Christmas and his friends, make choices from the various stalls and play the festive games. All donations will go to our chosen charity, Crisis.

Christmas Mufti Day

On Monday 18th December all children and staff are invited to wear their Christmas jumpers (or something festive) on this day. We are recommending a minimum of £2 donation which will be given to our chosen charity 'Crisis'. Our children and young people will also enjoy their festive Christmas lunch too!

Evisence Communication Hub

Evisense captures evidence of pupils' learning and moderates progress and levels. The app has a function to enable parents to view photos digitally and in 'real' time.

If you are interested in being part of a pilot group to trial the Evisence app or have any questions please email Naomi Hills at naomi.hills@papillonhouseschool.co.uk.

Photo Gallery



Santa's sleigh and snack time at the Garden Centre



Meadow class meeting Santa

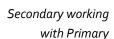
Secondary Department News

Swallowtail Class have been busy getting ready for Christmas. We have been busy rehearsing for the Christmas show, making lots of decorations for our tree and enjoyed our Christmas jumper day! Some of the class of have been learning about north and south magnets, how they attract and repel and some went horse riding yesterday and did very well despite the chilly weather! Swallowtail had a great cooking session and made Christmas biscuits which we then decorated with icing. Some children enjoyed the biscuits at snack time and some took them home to share with their families.

Monarch Class had a lovely penultimate week of the Christmas term. All pupils should be extremely proud of themselves practicing really hard for their school performance, it's definitely going to be a super festive celebration. Archie is also producing some beautiful independent work, creating his own book on his favourite hydration drink! We are all so excited for the festive celebrations to come, and we look forward to seeing some of our parents at our Christmas show!

Admiral Class have been continuing with their outdoor learning, sweeping up the leaves and moving them to the compost pile. In English, the learners have been writing sentences using the information they received from the actors in the pantomime. In our cooking session the children worked together to make a chocolate Yule log. We celebrated Christmas jumper day and the children enjoyed showing each other their jumpers. Admiral class have also been working hard to finish the display for the Christmas show.

Emperor Class have been getting into the festive mood this week practicing for the Christmas show in different ways. Some have been learning the script for presenting the show whilst others have been participating on stage or backstage. ALL of Emperor have been preparing 'festive turkey baguettes' in the class café. To achieve this, we have been reading different texts and calculating with money. Huge thanks to Yara who has been helping Woodland Class to complete their morning work on Fridays.





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Stars of the Week

Our "Stars" this week are:

Woodland Kuba for "doing very good listening and enjoying all

community visits."

Meadow Aahil for "good writing in English."

Peacock Benjamin for "having a good week and enjoying the trip

to see Father Christmas on Wednesday."

Photo Gallery



Swallowtail enjoying horse riding

Making festive biscuits



Birthdays

James (Meadow Class) celebrated his birthday this week and received a finger surf board and skateboard. Kris (Woodland teacher) celebrated her special birthday this week and received a planter, jumper, hoody blanket and experience tickets. Happy birthday to you both!

Therapy

Well done to Meadow Class for some great turn-taking and achieving their targets for this term in their Interaction Session on Tuesday! Tasha Renton & Lily Prince, Speech and Language Assistants

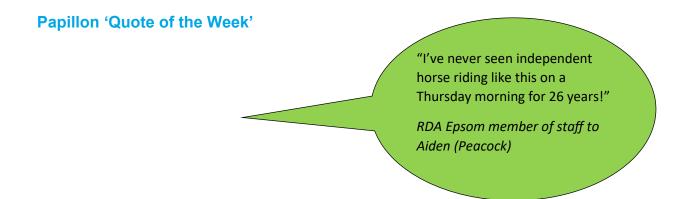
We would like to say a **huge** thank you to Tash Renton for all her amazing hard work and dedication to her job both as an SNA initially and more recently as a Speech and Language Therapy Assistant. Papillon will miss her enormously and we wish her well for the future.

Important Dates

Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place over the last part of the Autumn Term. Further information will be sent nearer the time. The theme for assembly next week is Christmas!

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday	13 th December	1.30 arrival for 1.45 start	Christmas Performance of 'The Greatest Snowman'
Thursday	14 th December	1.30pm	Children's Christmas Fair (donations to Crisis)
Monday	18 th December		Children's Christmas Lunch and Christmas Mufti Day (donations to Crisis)
Tuesday	19 th December	2pm	Last day of term. School finishes at 2pm.



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