



Papillon House School Newsletter

Spring Term 1
Friday 19th January 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It has been the usual vibrant hub of activity at Papillon this week with lots to celebrate. Well done to Jack in Meadow Class who bravely sat on his horses saddle at horse riding this week for the very first time! The adults in his class were all so proud of him, as was Mo at Epsom RDA, and so am I! Benjamin in Peacock Class is becoming a little braver in the water at swimming and he made it down to the bottom step of the ladder in the water this week! Well done Benjamin!

This week we said goodbye to TSA Yvonne in Admiral Class who is moving onto a new job. Some of the children were able to acknowledge their feelings about this and all said thank you and goodbye with a party for her on Tuesday. We all wish her the very best in her next adventure. Teresa (TSA) will be moving to Admiral Class from Monday.

Primary Department News

Woodland Class have enjoyed painting more robot parts for the display board. All children had lots of fun during our Science experiment and made lovely bubble snakes. Woodland Class worked together to put a big train track together and had a lovely time playing together. On Tuesday, the children had a fabulous cooking session and made pizza pin wheels – they were so delicious! Woodland Class have been amazing at phonics this week and there has been lots of great reading happening – well done everyone!

Meadow Class made marionette puppets and made sausage rolls during cooking. They had a great maths session where we spoke about different shapes and the characteristics of those shapes. We also enjoyed a chilly morning at horse riding. They were all amazing and listened carefully to the instructions to complete the activities they were given.

Peacock Class have continued to learn about their topic of 'Climate Change' this week and more specifically how to prevent it. They created posters on the computers and learnt about pollution in English and topic-based sessions. They also did some observing of plants in science using magnifying glasses. We also had a great swimming session at Dorking Sports Centre.



Learning about Climate Change



Observing plants in Science



Reminders and Requests

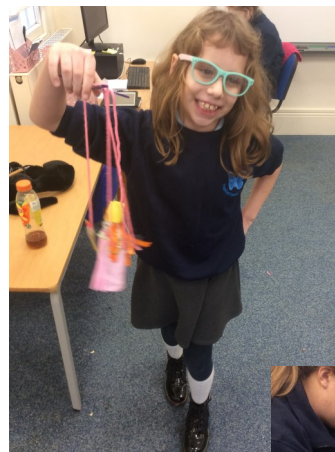
We have not had any more confirmed cases of shingles in school but please be mindful of any rashes that may appear. Rashes are infectious from 2 days before they appear to 5 days after the onset of a rash. Please refer to the email sent to all our parents and carers on Tuesday for more information or call the school office.

Photo Gallery



Painting parts of our display robot.

Making a delicious pizza pin wheel.



Making Marionette Puppets



Secondary Department News

Swallowtail Class have worked really hard and learnt about the Chinese Lantern Festival. In our Science session we continued learning about different materials and identifying which materials were best for specific jobs. On Tuesday the children enjoyed our P.E session, learning to shape our bodies into different representations of the hieroglyphics and we also went to Lidl in Dorking to buy our cooking ingredients. On Wednesday, they had lots of fun making mac 'n' cheese in a mug for our cooking session. Yesterday, we enjoyed playing with the parachute in our outdoor learning session (which took place indoors because of the weather!) Today, we introduced a new session called 'our 5 senses' in which the children loved exploring a range of different sensory activities.

Monarch Class have been working hard creating a masterpiece on our display board on our theme of 'space'. We have had some fantastic trips this week including the garden centre, a café and Tesco. Monarch finished the week off having a lovely birthday party for Sara (SNA) in Monarch and the class bought her a voucher for an afternoon tea. In our cooking session the children enjoyed making a yummy chocolate fudge cake and decorated it with Hario-bo's and lots of candles!

Admiral Class have been enjoying the colder weather exploring the school grounds on our winter walks. In our outdoor learning we went on a winter scavenger hunt. In our ICT session we looked at having safe passwords and how they keep our online accounts safe. This week in cooking we made cookies; we bought the ingredients on our weekly trip to the supermarket. This week in dance we explored the Lambeth Walk. It was great to see the children express themselves through movement whilst having fun too!

Emperor Class visited Banstead library last week and are still enjoying reading their chosen books. They are getting to know the layout of the library, exploring the books and enjoyed working together to finish a very large puzzle that was out for visitors! They chose some books of personal interest and it was also lovely to find they could choose books that were age appropriate and at a reading level they could access. Emperor have been working hard to gather photographs and pieces of writing for their ASDAN Personal Progress portfolios. The work experience at the charity shop in Banstead is going very well and they enjoy working in a team carrying out the different jobs. Working in the community gives great opportunity to try out the skills they use in the class café Enterprise in a real-world context. As always, they rise to the challenge and are great ambassadors for our school.

Stars of the Week

Our "Stars" this week are:

Woodland Tiana for "amazing maths work."

Meadow Jack for "being kind and caring to his friends in Meadow Class."

Peacock Zachary for "being polite and well-mannered this week."



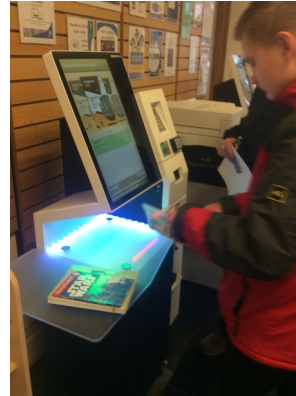
Photo Gallery



Shaping our bodies in PE



Admiral thinking about what animals need.



Emperor visited Banstead Library



Birthdays

There were no Primary birthdays this week.

Therapy

Well done to Kaleidoscope group for a fantastic messy 'Attention Autism' session, splatting pretend eggs onto a frying pan and making breakfast plates. It was a really enjoyable session.'

Lilian Prince, Speech and Language Assistant.

Head Teacher Award

This week's Head Teacher's Award is awarded to Cruz for excellent tennis and engagement the past few weeks. Well done Cruz!



Important Dates

Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place during the Spring Term. Further information will be sent nearer the time. The theme for next weeks assembly is Music.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday	22nd January	All day	Papillon Music Day
Monday	22nd January	am	Immunisation Team in for Year 9's
Tuesday	6th February	All day	Safer Internet Day
Friday	9th February	3pm	End of half term
Monday	19th February	CLOSED	Staff INSET training day. School closed to all pupils.
Tuesday	20th February	CLOSED	Staff INSET training day. School closed to all pupils.
Wednesday	21st February	9.30am	Start of Spring Term 2

Papillon 'Quote of the Week'

"The snowdrops are pretty!"

Logan B (Admiral) on their winter walk.

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Parent/Carer Autism Online Workshops

Whether your child is awaiting a diagnosis or has already been diagnosed, these workshops are a great opportunity to learn more about Autism and ask questions within a supportive group of other parents and carers.

- **Monday 5th February - An introduction to Autism.** An opportunity to explore what Autism is, the many strengths and the differences that make each child so wonderfully unique.
- **Monday 12th February - Communication.** Identifying what communication is and the different communication methods that may be helpful for Autistic children.
- **Monday 19th February - Sensory Processing.** Explaining the 8 sensory systems, how the environment can impact on a child with sensory processing differences/challenges and strategies to meet an individual's sensory needs.
- **Monday 26th February - Pathological Demand Avoidance.** A look into the interesting subject of PDA, how this may present and what is the best approach to take to avoid conflict.

Workshops will be held 7:30-8:30pm via Zoom.

£25 per workshop for each family.

To book your place...Email enquiries@theautismtrainingnetwork.com