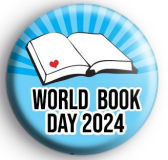




Papillon House School Newsletter

Spring Term 2
Friday 1st March 2024



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Well done to Ariya, Jack, Zachary, Aiden and Jenny who did such an amazing job at the Primary sports Panathlon this week which was held at Moor House School in Oxted. They completed activities such as target throw, Boccia, knock down the skittles and curling (Ariya's favourite!) and put in so much effort at each station. At the end of the event it was announced that Papillon House School came 4th out of 7 schools and each child received a medal and certificate! Well done Papillon House School for doing an amazing job at their first ever Panathlon and event of this scale.

This week we have sadly said goodbye to Andrew B in Monarch Class. Andrew has been a highly valued member of the team and we will miss him greatly, but we all wish him luck in his new job. Last week we welcomed a new member of staff Kayleigh, and we are looking forward to welcoming two new starters on Monday, Sarah and Izzy. All are spending time rotating across the school and spending time getting to know all of our children, young people and staff. To enable this, some of the staff in our Primary department have also been rotating classes. Once they are all settled into their permanent classes I will update you on the new staff teams.

Primary Department News

Woodland Class had a lovely time visiting Squires Garden Centre. Children bought sunflower seeds and sat at the café to have some cake! We also made some delicious biscuits, all taking turns to mix the ingredients. This week we have spent some time measuring different flower sizes and even planted our own sunflower seeds from the garden centre. The children will be looking after them and watering them each week. We've also learnt the Makaton sign for flower, and made paper flowers and paper plate suns and rainy clouds for our display board. The children love looking at their work on the class board!

Meadow Class have been very busy working hard on some lovely writing and have been completing activities in maths. We loved horse riding and enjoyed a trip to Walton on the Hill Play Park, which was a great success.

Peacock Class have been continuing their learning on British wildlife and have been looking at food chains in more detail in Science. Additionally, they have also been using paint, card and other art materials to make a British wildlife animal in making sessions. As a class, we went to Sainsbury's in Leatherhead yesterday to choose some special snack to taste on Friday.



Science food chain work

Reminders and Requests

We will be celebrating **World Book Day** next **Thursday 7th March** where all children and young people will be invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. To celebrate this occasion Papillon will be organising lots of fun activities throughout the day.

Thank you to those who have returned the cinema consent form. Please could these be returned to us by next Friday, 8th March if you have yet to do so. (Copies of the letter are attached with this newsletter.)

Following on from the Accredited Pathological Demand Avoidance Programme run by The Autism Training Network, please see information at the end of this newsletter on their Accredited Sensory Processing Programme. This is a 3 hour virtual course, the aim being to increase knowledge and understanding on how people with sensory challenges may experience the world.

Photo Gallery



Biscuit making



Visiting Squires Garden Centre



Cooking and horse riding in Meadow



Fun with flour in Peacock Class!



Secondary Department News

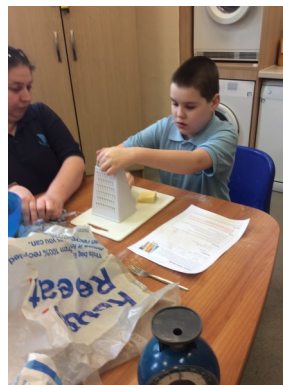
Swallowtail Class have worked very hard this week and had lots of fun! On Monday we went to Tesco's at Gatwick, bought our cooking ingredients for the week and had a lovely snack in the café. In the afternoon we had lots of fun having a party to celebrate Freddie's birthday. We began learning about animal care for our first scouting badge and looked at how we can look after our pets. For our cooking session we enjoyed making cheese straws and on Thursday we enjoyed our weekly cycling session (even if it was a bit wet and windy!). It's been a very busy week!

Monarch Class have had a lovely week despite the inclement weather!! We began the week with a lovely trip to Sports Direct in Guildford, participating in an independent scavenger hunt searching for different sports equipment. This links directly to our topic of Famous Sports People, and we were able to explore and discuss some new sports. Our Kaleidoscope pupils ventured to ASDA Burgh Heath, where learners are beginning to get used to new and different shopping environments. Monarch Class have also completed some fantastic writing activities, looking at adjectives and how to make our writing more exciting. We are looking forward to the rest of our term and we're all hoping the weather begins to pick up; although it is good for the plants!

Admiral Class have enjoyed researching how we care for plants this week and how best to support them to grow. We have also been learning about the life cycle of a chicken and have started to create our display board by making chickens and sheep. For our community visit we went to Tesco to buy ingredients for our cooking session and made some muffins with strawberries. Admiral also went to Knights Garden Centre to buy cups to be able to grow cress. Watching Newsround encouraged lots of discussion in class around the time of year and why we have a leap year. We have also been learning about the difference between needs and wants.

Emperor Class had an excellent visit to the David Weir Gym. As they become more familiar with the gym equipment, they are able to work on their strength and stamina by setting small step targets for improvement. Of course, this needs to be balanced with some treats! They have been making wonderful strawberry cheesecakes to serve in Class Café. This lovely 'no-cook' recipe gave them the opportunity to use an electric blender and learn how to use such appliances safely. On the topic of 'Wildlife in Our School' we have been exploring the variety of creatures that live in our neighbourhood. We will be going out on Nature Walks to see how many species we can spot and explore the range of habitats in this part of Boxhill. To finish off the week Emperor Class visited Meadowbank Football Stadium in Dorking for a tour. We looked at the pitch the changing rooms, the stadium and the trophy cabinet.

Photo Gallery

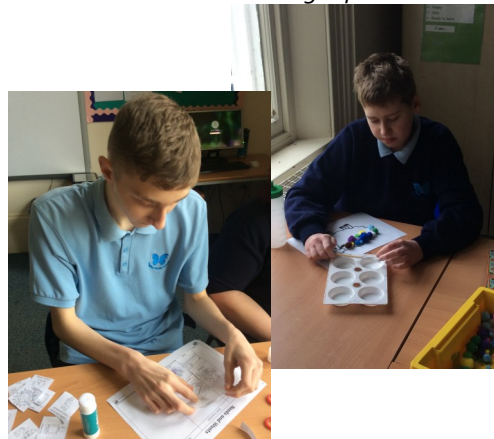


*Swallowtail
cooking session*



Visiting Tesco Gatwick

*Creating sheep in Admiral's
making topic session*



*Admiral identifying things
that are important to them*



*Emperor Class had a great
time at Meadowbank
Football Stadium*

Stars of the Week

Our "Stars" this week are:

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| Woodland | Ariya for "attending the Panathlon and being very grown up." |
| Meadow | LJ for "working hard in maths and accepting new foods at snack time." |
| Peacock | Aiden for "completing some good food chains in science." |



Birthdays

There were no Primary birthdays at Papillon this week.





PAPILLON AT THE PANATHLON!



Therapy

Well done to Tiana for independently requesting help in her Speech and Language session this week. *Lilian Prince, Speech and Language Therapy Assistant.*

Well done to Tegan for engaging and participating well in her 1:1 occupational therapy sessions this week, we had lots of fun. *Claire Messom, Occupational Therapist.*

Important Dates

Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place over the Spring Term. Further information will be sent nearer the time. The theme for assembly next week is 'International Women's Day' and preparation for Mothering Sunday.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	7th March	All day	World Book 'Dress-up' Day
Monday	18th March	AM	Primary Cinema Trip
Monday	25th March	AM	Secondary Cinema Trip
Wednesday	27th March		Easter Egg Hunt with the Easter Bunny
Thursday	28th March	2pm	Spring Term Ends
Monday	15th April	9.30am	Start of Summer Term

Papillon 'Quote of the Week'

"I've had THIS much of a good time!"

Ariya (Woodland) stretching her arms out wide and talking about the Panathlon.

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Sensory Processing Programme

This programme will explore the eight sensory systems and how the environment can impact on Autistic individuals.

The aim of this course is to increase knowledge and understanding about how people with sensory challenges may experience the world around, how to meet an individual's sensory needs and how important stimming can be for regulation.

We will be discussing practical strategies and reasonable adjustments that will have a positive impact and facilitate learning.

Our Sensory programme will be held on Zoom on the following dates:

Wednesday 13th March 2024 2-5pm

Wednesday 20th March 2024 2-5pm

Wednesday 27th March 2024 2-5pm

The cost of this 3-hour programme is £50

To book your place on the webinar please either scan the QR code below or go to:

www.theautismtrainingnetwork.com/training

