



# Papillon House School Newsletter

Autumn Term 1

Friday 27th September 2024



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you to all our families who have donated food items for Epsom & Ewell Foodbank. These items will help support families in our own community who are in need. We will be celebrating on Monday during our assemblies and taking part in activities in class. If you would like to donate any non-perishable food items please could you bring these in on Monday.

## Primary Department News

**Caterpillar Class** enjoyed a trip to Box Hill where they followed some of the play trail. They all listened to instructions and loved exploring the outdoors. They also enjoyed some magic painting and loved watching the new toys in the sensory bucket. The children painted self portraits which are displayed on the class board for all to see and enjoy. The children have also enjoyed maths, phonics and playing on the lower lawn.

**Meadow Class** continued making decorations for their class display board this week and also had fun playing a phonics game where they needed to fish the ducks to be able to read the word written in the pond picture! Meadow Class have been looking at grouping objects and labelling categories for our maths sessions. During music, the children were amazing at copying sound patterns using body percussion, claves and bells. The children made delicious pizza faces and also learnt about what makes our classroom a happy place. On Monday, Meadow Class went to the Garden Centre café and sat beautifully at the table waiting for their cake and enjoyed horse riding on Thursday walking in the fields.

**Peacock Class** enjoyed making a big 'Food Pyramid' chart this week. The whole class designed a healthy diet meal and made delicious smoothies with different kinds of fresh fruits. We started to learn how to write sentences with the use of adjectives and in PSHE we shared ideas of how we recognise our feelings and emotions. Peacock Class counted objects in tens and had a great trip to Chessington Garden Centre.

## Reminders & Requests

Parents' Evenings will be held on **Monday 7th October**. All our children and young people have brought home a slip this week confirming the meeting times with teachers. Please call the office if you require any further information.

Please note that from next Monday 30th September the gates to Papillon House will be closed five minutes earlier at 9.25am to ensure that pupils are ready to start school promptly at 9.30am. If you arrive after this time you will be asked to wait for the vehicles to depart the car park before entering.

We have had cases of **head lice** in Primary this week. Could you please check your child's hair and, if necessary, treat before they return to school on Monday. Thank you.

## Photo Gallery



Outdoor fun in Caterpillar



Self portraits

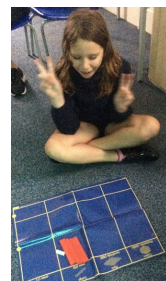


Making pizza faces

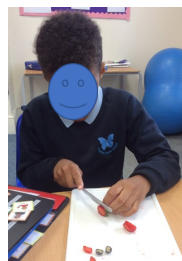


Visiting the Garden Centre

Counting in tens



Class activities



Smoothie making



## Secondary Department News

**Swallowtail Class** have been continuing to learn more about place value in their maths lessons, and this week some of the children have moved onto "partitioning of 100" using cubes to distinguish between tens and ones. Additionally, on Monday the class completed lots of learning about peace in assembly and in their World Views lesson. The class enjoyed a trip to ASDA, Chessington Garden Centre as well as swimming at Dorking Leisure Centre again this week.

**Monarch Class** enjoyed continuing with their publishing project on Monday in ITC and did some fantastic making with Keith on Tuesday. On Wednesday, we went to Dobbie's Garden Centre to buy some winter vegetable seeds to plant in our outdoor learning sessions and then the children made spinach and cheese pinwheel pastry snacks. On Thursday we decorated our front covers for the Cauliflower Christmas cards and had a party to celebrate Susanna's birthday. Today, the children completed some fantastic work in our White Rose maths session.

**Admiral Class** have had a great week! Some of the class have been working hard in maths using blocks to find their answers whilst others discussed what makes us individual and how everyone is different. We enjoyed a community visit to Tesco to buy our cooking ingredients and have also been to Ashted Garden Centre to buy some bird seed to see the birds through the winter. In PSHE we have been learning about peer pressure and what that means. Pupils took part in a peer pressure experiment where one learner was asked to stand one way and the others could stand however they wanted next to the first learner to see if they mirrored each other or found their own independent way.

**Emperor Class** have had an enjoyable and creative week. As part of our World Views lesson on Buddhism, we made Wesak lanterns which signify the light of Buddha. We all had great fun dancing away in this week's Akademi dance session and have been out collecting autumnal leaves and conkers for our Autumn display. Once again, the Thai curry that the students made in cafe was a hit with staff and Yara's chocolate brownies were absolutely delicious!

## Stars of the Week

Our "Stars" this week are:

**Caterpillar** Amberley for "transitioning to different sessions around school and sitting nicely for the attention bucket."

**Meadow** Jamie for "having a brilliant week, doing amazing looking and participating during PSHE Jigsaw."

**Peacock** Jack for "great counting up to fifteen!"

**Swallowtail** Aidan for "amazing cooking this week."



## Photo Gallery

Visiting ASDA



Partitioning in maths



PE activity



Dobbie's Garden Centre

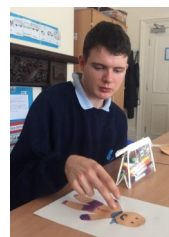


Counting in maths



Experimenting in Admiral

Making Christmas cards



Maths work



Dancing with Anusha



Making Wesak lanterns

## Birthdays



There were no birthdays in Primary this week.

## Therapy

Well done to Aidan for engaging so well in his first Speech and Language Therapy session. He had lots of fun completing puzzles and using different sensory items. *Jess Mason, Speech and Language Therapist*

Well done to Meadow Class for all attending their first Fine Motor skills session this week! *Clara Boxall, Occupational Therapy Assistant* and *Lilian Prince, Therapy Assistant.*



## Head Teacher Award

This week's Head Teacher's Award is awarded to Joseph for fantastic drawings and imaginative story telling through the pictures drawn.



## Important Dates

### Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place over this Autumn Term. Further information will be sent nearer the time. We will be celebrating Harvest Festival in our assembly next week.

| DAY    | DATE                       | TIME        | EVENT                         |
|--------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Monday | 30 <sup>th</sup> September | All day     | Harvest Festival Celebrations |
| Monday | 7 <sup>th</sup> October    | am          | Individual school photographs |
| Monday | 7 <sup>th</sup> October    | 3.30-7.00pm | Parents' Evening              |
| Friday | 18 <sup>th</sup> October   | 3.00pm      | End of half term              |
| Monday | 4 <sup>th</sup> November   | 9.30am      | Start of Autumn Term 2        |

### Papillon 'Quote of the Week'

"I'm so glad that the customers enjoyed my brownies and I hope you have a lovely weekend!"

*Yara (Emperor Class)*

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