



# Papillon House School Newsletter

Autumn Term 1  
Friday 18th October 2024



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We had a 'spooky' theme in Papillon this week to mark Halloween, it was lovely to see all the fabulous Halloween costumes today! The children and young people have enjoyed trick-or-treating across the school and held 'spooktacular' parties in class. The term the class display award was very tight in judging! Thank you to Dee who was our "guest judge". In third place was Monarch Class who created a fabulous music themed board. In second place was Caterpillar Class who won a £30 Amazon voucher to buy something for their class. And in first place was Peacock Class who created a fabulous interactive board based on their topic, healthy eating! Well done everybody!

## Primary Department News

**Caterpillar Class** went to ASDA this week to buy our pumpkins ready for decorating in our making session. We also added to our "all about me" books with some family pictures. We learnt about the letter "d" and made dog pictures by sticking faces on the letter 'd'. Today we really enjoyed trick or treating around the school and particularly loved Shelbie's pumpkin dress! Have a lovely half-term everyone!

**Meadow Class** have had had a 'spooky week' starting with a trip to ASDA to buy the pumpkins ready to carve and our Kaleidoscope group bought some trick or treat sweets for all classes, enjoying a snack at the café too. The children were fantastic at using pumpkin carving tools with care, as demonstrated by the adults. With the left-over pumpkin flesh, they made pumpkin cupcakes, then decorated them with icing and used icing pens to make Halloween designs. The children also made little spiders and handprints to decorate the class!

**Peacock Class** went to Asda on Monday to buy the ingredients for making our cheesecakes. We planned what items were needed in our English lesson and compared prices in our Mathematics lesson. On Wednesday, we made a delicious strawberry and chocolate cheesecake which some of us enjoyed in school and some chose to take home. We have continued our learning on how the digestive system works in our human body and found that the length of our small intestines can be 3 metres to 5 metres long for a child!

How amazing our human body is!



## Reminders & Requests

We look forward to welcoming everyone back after the half term break on **Monday 4th November**.

Please can we ask that all children and young people have a **named PE kit** in school to include a white t-shirt, black/grey/navy PE shorts or tracksuit bottoms, and plimsoles (Primary) and trainers (Secondary).

## Photo Gallery



*Halloween and birthday celebrations in Caterpillar.*



*PSHE games*

*Halloween fun!*



*Enjoying a café snack*

**Swallowtail Class** have been in a spooky mood this week and have been completing Halloween-themed activities such as attention circles, maths, pumpkin carving and cooking white chocolate eyeballs! They enjoyed visiting ASDA on Wednesday to buy pumpkins and Primary Kaleidoscope group enjoyed a visit to Tesco Gatwick and a visit to the café too. The class did really well swimming at Dorking Leisure Centre and enjoyed some 'trick or treating' today.

### Secondary Department News

**Monarch Class** enjoyed a Halloween themed attention circle on Monday and did a fabulous job at decorating their pumpkins. We did some great swimming on Tuesday and enjoyed assembling and decorating our tambourine kits. On Wednesday, the children enjoyed making their Halloween biscuits and yesterday we went to Poundland, Leatherhead to buy some Halloween decorations for the classroom. Today the children did some fantastic P.E. with Charlene playing football and enjoyed making sparkly apple pumpkin prints.

**Admiral Class** have been focussing on what makes a good friend in our PSHE sessions and what we look for in a friend. In our P.E session we have been working on our football skills and stopping the ball first time. Everyone has been working hard on their maths this week. In cooking we made bread rolls. We have been enjoying sensory sessions too. In making we have been decorating pumpkins and have had a Halloween party to end this half term.

**Emperor Class** have had a busy Halloween week! It has been lovely getting to know the students over the past few weeks and each of them has settled in and adapted to our class routine so well. On Wednesday, we all enjoyed a trip to Box Hill to explore the living organisms found in a woodland habitat. We also got creative making Halloween decorations in preparation for our party today. To top it all off, we celebrated James's birthday with cake, party food and lots of fun and games!



### Stars of the Week



Our "Stars" this week are:

- Caterpillar** Nevaeh for "independently following instructions in her making task."
- Meadow** the whole class for "an amazing first half term."
- Peacock** Aahil for "great achievement in his story-writing."
- Swallowtail** Zachary for "amazing football last week in PE."

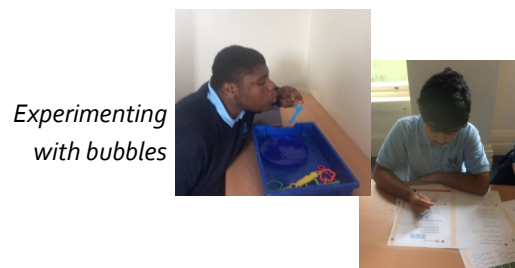
### Photo Gallery



*Halloween fun in Swallowtail*



*Spooky fun in Monarch!*



*Experimenting with bubbles*

*Maths work in Admiral*



*Halloween and birthday celebrations in Emperor*



### Birthdays

Jaxson (*Caterpillar Class*) will be celebrating his birthday over the half term. Caterpillar Class celebrated in class with a party, cake and gave him some Kinetic Sand. Aiden (*Swallowtail Class*) celebrated his birthday and received a Mario toy, highlighters and coloured pencils.

## Therapy

Well done to Alfie and Tegan in Monarch Class for engaging in their 'Food is Fun' sessions. Tegan has done well tolerating the new foods introduced to her and Alfie has tasted two new foods this half-term. *Therapy Team*

Well done to Meadow Class for continuing to make progress in their Fine Motor Skills group this half-term! Here are some photos of them working hard in the session. *Lilian Prince, Therapy Assistant & Clara Boxall, Occupational Therapy Assistant*



## Important Dates

### Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place over this Autumn Term. Further information will be sent nearer the time. The assembly theme following the half term break is Diwali.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday	4 <sup>th</sup> November	9.30am	Start of Autumn Term 2
Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup> November	All day	Odd Socks Day
Friday	15 <sup>th</sup> November	All day	Children in Need Mufti Day
Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup> November		Christmas Pantomime Visit in school
Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup> December	am	Caterpillar & Meadow Class visit to Bocketts Farm
Wednesday	11 <sup>th</sup> December	am	Peacock & Swallowtail Class visit to Bocketts Farm
Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup> December	All day	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday	16 <sup>th</sup> December		Primary Nativity Assembly & Children's Christmas lunch
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup> December	1.30pm	Christmas Performance
Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup> December	1.30pm	Children's Christmas Fair
Friday	20 <sup>th</sup> December	2pm	End of Autumn Term—children finish at <b>2pm</b>

### Papillon 'Quote of the Week'

**"I love trick or treat!"**  
**Logan P (Caterpillar Class)**

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