



Papillon House School Newsletter

Autumn Term 2 - Friday 15th November 2024



Dear Parents/Guardians,

All children and young people did amazingly well on their sponsored walk today and looked fabulous in their 'fitness-themed' outfits! Pupils followed the arrows around the grounds, keeping tally as they clocked up the laps. A huge thank you to all who donated and sponsored the children. So far we have raised an incredible £389! This money will go directly to Children in Need to help improve the lives of children and young people across the UK.

Primary Department News

Caterpillar Class have learnt about Remembrance this week. They enjoyed a poppy themed attention circle and then went to the table to make a poppy picture. They have been exploring different sized constructions in Maths and been busy building different sized towers. In Worldviews Caterpillar Class looked at pictures of our individual families and then looked at our school family. They went for a walk at Box Hill and enjoyed walking through the leaves and mud.

Meadow Class paid their respects during a Remembrance circle activity on Monday by being very quiet and dropping tissue paper poppies on a cross and a soldier stencil. The children then made playdough poppies that we photocopied and put on tinsel to make a Christmas garland for our display board. They have also been learning about The Nativity Story and decorated a big star also for our display board. Meadow Class have enjoyed finding the letters of their names from a group of magnetic letters and playing a sounds game on the interactive white board. During cooking, the children made poppy biscuits and of course there was one "whoopsie" when cracking the egg! To finish off the week we did our sponsored walk at Earlswood Lake. Meadow Class walked a mile—being followed by the ducks!

Peacock Class took some reflection time during our Remembrance assembly on Monday which continued in class during our making session where we made wreaths using poppy flowers and poppy cookies during our cooking session. The children observed the trees at playtime this week and noted how many of the leaves fell. This led to some investigations in our Science lesson to find out the reasons why! We found that things fall because of gravity and we read the story of how Newton found gravity from a falling apple. Next week we are going to carry out an experiment on comparing heavy things and light things to see if they will fall at the same speed. Which one will fall faster we wonder?!

Reminders & Requests

Katy Cox (**hairdresser**) will be visiting Papillon next Tuesday 19th. If you would like your child's hair to be cut please complete and return the attached form on Monday.

Primary classes will be visiting **Bocketts Farm** in December. (Please see diary dates below.) If you have not already done so, please could we ask for consent letters to be completed and returned, and any outstanding payments for the trip (£22) to be settled on Arbor. Thank you.

Photo Gallery

Painting outside



Building towers in maths

Poppy attention circle



Marking Remembrance Day

Whoopsie during cooking!

Cooking session



Learning about Autumn

Swallowtail Class have been learning more about “Twas the Night Before Christmas” this week as well as Children In Need in preparation for Friday’s celebration. They also took part in a science experiment on Monday (led by Zachary) where he mixed different materials in lemonade to see what happened. The class watched and saw if their predictions were right! Also, Zachary, Bailey and Aiden have started a weekly session with Caterpillar Class showing them how to play appropriately in the playground, it was lovely to see this. Well done, boys! We also enjoyed a great swimming session at Dorking Leisure Centre and a visit to ASDA in Burgh Heath. A busy week!

Secondary Department News

Monarch Class children did some lovely science work on Monday, learning about reversible and irreversible changes by exploring water and bubbles, and water and ice. On Tuesday, the children did some lovely artwork and made Remembrance Day collages. We enjoyed making poppy biscuits on Wednesday and did some lovely PSHE work on Thursday learning about families and how to resolve conflicts. Today, the children did a great job on our sponsored walk, walking over 4 miles between us!

Admiral Class have been writing about theatres in our topic lessons and the level of organisation that is needed and different jobs. We have continued with our White Rose maths lesson learning about place value and visited Tesco this week to buy cooking ingredients for our cooking session. In our physical off-site activity we continued to build on our tennis skills and used tennis rackets to play a match! They all did really well!

Emperor Class have had a great time exploring our solar system in Science lessons, discovering a clever way to remember the order of the planets from the sun! In Maths, they've been working hard on addition and subtraction challenges. We've also enjoyed watching various online performances, discussing the different types of performers all linked to our current topic, ‘Launching a Show’. Please see the termly update for this half term at the end of this newsletter.

We also enjoyed visits from two of last year’s Emperor Class Graduates, Joe and Stuart, who popped in to see all the pupils and staff at Papillon this week. It was great to see them and hear how well they are doing at college!

Stars of the Week



Our “Stars” this week are:

- Caterpillar** Amberley for “attending beautifully to attention circles and joining in with circle games.”
- Meadow** Aidan for “using his cutlery very well at lunchtime.”
- Peacock** Mia for “being polite and very helpful to others.”
- Swallowtail** Aiden for “cooking some amazing Christmas biscuits this week.”

Photo Gallery



Cooking in Swallowtail



Remembrance and cooking activities



Offsite shopping



Art activities in Emperor



Birthdays

John (Swallowtail Class) celebrated his birthday this week and received a theatre gift card and adult beverages.

Therapy

Well done William on a great Speech and Language Therapy session on Monday. He loved the Attention Autism activity and did lots of choice making." *Emma Kennington, Speech and Language Therapist*

Well done to Peacock Class for all doing really well in their first fine motor group session! *Clara Boxall, Occupational Therapy Assistant*

Head Teacher Award

This week's Head Teacher's Award is awarded to Logan P for being independent in his class making sessions.



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 next week is Children in Need.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday	19 th November	am	Hairdresser visiting
Friday	22 nd November		Christmas pantomime visit in school
Wednesday	4 th December	am	Caterpillar & Meadow Class visit to Bocketts Farm
Wednesday	11 th December	am	Peacock & Swallowtail Class visit to Bocketts Farm
Thursday	12 th December	All day	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday	16 th December		Primary Nativity Assembly & Children's Christmas lunch
Wednesday	18 th December	1.30pm	Christmas Performance
Thursday	19 th December	1.30pm	Children's Christmas Fair
Friday	20 th December	2pm	End of Autumn Term—children finish at 2pm

Papillon 'Quote of the Week'

"OT makes me feel happy!"

Mia (Peacock) during sensory diet circuit session.

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Sponsored Walk for Children in Need



EMPEROR CLASS



This term, we are excited to be getting started with our new topic: '**Launching a Show**'. This theme will be a key focus of our daily learning, offering plenty of opportunities for creativity and performance. We'll be exploring a variety of performances online, learning lyrics to songs, and preparing for our very own mini variety show. The students will have a chance to showcase their talents, whether it's acting, singing, or performing in other creative ways.

Building on the success of last term's **Enterprise Café**, we'll be continuing this project with a fresh new menu. This term, the students will be learning to prepare a variety of filled baguettes including tuna and mayonnaise, cheese, and sausage. These baguettes have already proven to be a hit, and we're excited for the students to develop their cooking and teamwork skills further. The students will take on different roles within the café, from taking orders and checking stock to preparing shopping lists, preparing food, and serving customers. This hands-on approach helps build their practical skills while fostering collaboration. As a reward for their hard work, the students will receive wages (a small amount of money to keep in their school purses), which they can then use during upcoming community visits.

In **Science**, this term's focus will be the Solar System. The students will be learning about the different planets, their names, and basic facts about our solar system. We'll explore why the sun is crucial for life on Earth, as well as how the moon orbits the Earth and experiences different phases depending on its position. The students will have fun discovering the wonders of space and understanding our place in the universe.

In **Maths**, we are continuing with our White Rose lessons with this term's topic being Addition and Subtraction.

Our **PSHE** topic this term is 'Celebrating Difference'. Through this unit, we'll address important issues like equality, prejudice, and discrimination. The students will discuss topics such as bullying and the impact of positive vs. negative language. The aim is to foster an understanding of diversity and encourage respectful, inclusive behaviour.

This term the students will be enhancing their vocational skills as we approach the festive season. They will be creating handmade items to be sold to staff, giving them an opportunity to learn about entrepreneurship and marketing. They will also be enhancing their **ICT** skills by designing posters to promote their products. This project will be a great way for them to gain real-world experience and contribute to our school community.

For **PE**, students will continue their lessons with Charlene on Fridays. Each week, they'll also enjoy a trip to Ebbisham Tennis Club, where they will continue to practice their tennis skills.

As we work our way toward Christmas, we are sure the students will enjoy a fantastic mix of creativity, teamwork, and skill-building activities.

Mary and the Emperor Team



TADWORTH & WALTON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

CHRISTMAS

Lighting Event with Music & Carols

Thursday 28th November

Enjoy generous hospitality from our local businesses -
mulled wine, mince pies and much more.

Carols with members of the Good Shepherd and St. John's Church choirs.

Winners of the Best Dressed Christmas Shop Window competition
and the Children's Christmas Quiz will be announced.

Starts in Station Approach/Cross Road at 4pm. Lights turn on at 4.15pm
Then to the Church of the Good Shepherd garden to switch on the
Nativity Display Lights, and to High Street for more festive fun
and hospitality from the shopkeepers there.

COMPETITION

The Tadworth Christmas Trail Quiz for children runs from 11-25 November, with entry forms
available from The Coffee House, The Artisan Bakery and online at twra.org.uk/news

Tadworth Grand Raffle - tickets will be on sale for the raffle, to be drawn on 4th December.
Tickets also available from: The Coffee House, Nethercott Opticians, Alligator Pear, The Artisan Bakery