



Papillon House School Newsletter

Spring Term 1 - Friday 17th January 2025



Dear Parents/Guardians,

It has been a busy week at Papillon and we continue to think about our dreams, goals and achievements for the New Year. Michael and James have been volunteering their time at The Children's Trust Charity Shop in Banstead which is a new experience for Michael. He said he had a fabulous time helping Jane in the shop. Well done too to Amberley, Shelbie and Logan from Caterpillar Class who bravely rode a horse at horse riding this week for the very first time! The adults in Caterpillar Class were very proud of them all. Louis in Admiral Class conquered his fears at swimming and ventured away from the side of pool towards the deeper end this week. Well done Louis!

Reminders & Requests

A reminder to all our families that we are a **nut free school**. This is due to severe allergies of some children and staff. Please help us to keep them safe by refraining from including nut products in your child's lunchbox. This includes whole nuts, nuts in cereal bars (or other products), peanut butter and Nutella.

Photo Gallery

Primary Department News

Caterpillar Class have all been busy creating some lovely artwork for our class display and have enjoyed exploring ice in science where the children were tasked with getting the animals out of the ice. We went horse riding on Thursday and some of the children got on the horse for the first time. The children who weren't horse riding enjoyed saying hello to the other horses and going for a walk in the fields. In maths, the children have been looking at groups of objects and the numbers 1-3. We also enjoyed a lovely walk at Headley Heath with Meadow Class and everyone walked beautifully, enjoying being in the countryside.

Meadow Class have had an exciting week with a variety of learning experiences. We have started reading 'Farmyard Hullabaloo', learning about the different farm animals and the children have enjoyed making cows with Keith in art. On Tuesday, we went to Headley and walked around the heath looking at nature and enjoying the sunshine! The children enjoyed making strawberry milkshakes, developing their cutting and mixing skills when slicing fruit...and the best part was the squirting of cream on top! On Wednesday, the class enjoyed a dancing session to calm music. Meadow Class have been sorting numbers in maths and did really well. We listened to 'Go Joe' and the 'Millipede March' in music and explored the beat of the music, tapping our thighs and using musical instruments.

Peacock Class started to watch the news roundup to explore about what is happening in the world. We watched what has been happening in Los Angeles recently which led to a topic discussion on how some special firefighting robots can help put out fires. We also made our own designs of robots, and we made them with various materials. On Wednesday we went to Knights Garden Centre to try and find their resident cats! We found a beautiful black one named 'Oreo'. We also found many different plants and flowers there. We went to swimming on Tuesday, at Dorking Leisure Centre and enjoyed being in the water for the whole swimming session. Finally, we had a lovely cooking lesson making chocolate cookies and hot chocolate with marshmallows!

Walks on Headley Heath



Messy play!



Art therapy



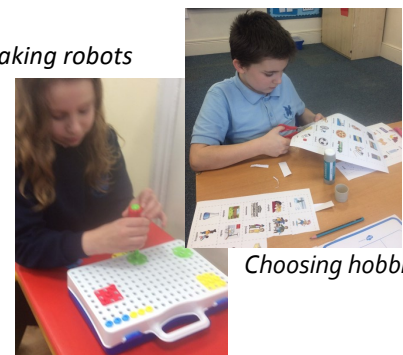
Enjoying the outdoors



Making cows



Making robots



Choosing hobbies

Photo Gallery

Cooking session



Offsite visits



Admiral Class enjoying swimming



Therapy session



Birthday girl

Visiting David Weir Gym



Shopping in Lidl

Swallowtail Class have enjoyed learning about the different Chinese Zodiac animals this week, completing some making activities and cooking noodles in our cooking session. Swallowtail Class have enjoyed a few trips this week including a trip to Knights Garden Centre in Betchworth, Redhill Memorial Park and Primary Kaleidoscope visited Tesco Gatwick.

Secondary Department News

Monarch Class have been enjoying their topic of 'Foods Around the World' this week. The class have been looking at the country of Italy, enjoying various sessions including making spaghetti and meatballs out of various art material, and pizzas in our cooking session. We finished off the week with tasting snack which included spaghetti and olives. Monarch Class have continued the White Rose Scheme of maths looking into number factors, and some of us moved onto money skills. For our science session the class enjoyed the White Rose sessions investigating plants and fossils.

Admiral Class started their class display board this week on our topic 'Developing Positive Relationships'. We have been practising our writing skills and thinking about what people look for in a friend. On Tuesday we had our first off-site physical activity where the class went swimming at Dorking Leisure Centre. Admiral Class had a great time and enjoyed the session a lot. In our Jigsaw lesson we were looking at our dreams and goals for the future, thinking of ideas of how we could achieve them. Some learners went to ASDA this week to buy some cooking ingredients for our cooking session. The class made mash potato from scratch, peeling and boiling the potatoes, adding butter and seasoning to taste. The class also came up with some great ideas on why it is important to clean up after cooking. Admiral Class started their badminton sessions this week as part of their PE topic this half term practising hitting shuttlecocks over the net.

Emperor Class began the week with a fun visit to the David Weir gym, where students made the most of the equipment for a great workout. It was fantastic to see everyone participating. On Tuesday, we prepared tasty French bread pizzas for snack time, and our cafe cooking session was a success as well, with the staff enjoying our soup followed by apple crumble and custard. This week, we also went on a shopping trip to Lidl, where the students discovered the perfume section and tried out the testers. We all returned to school smelling lovely!

Stars of the Week

Our "Stars" this week are:

Caterpillar Logan for "happily riding a horse for the first time."

Meadow Kuba for "amazing phonics and maths work."

Peacock Aahil for "hard work in Science."

Swallowtail Aiden for "amazing cooking of noodles."



Birthdays

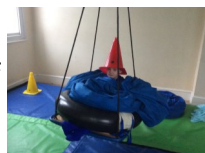
There were no primary birthdays this week.



Therapy

Well done to Kuba on a very creative and successful therapy session this week. *Catherine Hauvette - Occupational Therapist*

Well done to Bailey for a fantastic first 1:1 OT session of the year. Bailey enjoyed using the suspended equipment and used the session to help him to calm so he could complete his reflection work. *Claire Messom – Occupational Therapist*



Well done to Alfie for great work in his 1:1 regulation session this morning. Alfie worked hard, listening to instructions and using the swings and sensory equipment to help him to interact and participate in his lessons. *Claire Messom -Occupational Therapist.*

Head Teacher Award

This week's Head Teacher's Award is awarded to Nevaeh for participating in classroom activities and writing her name independently.



Important Dates

Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place during the Spring Term 2025. Further information will be sent nearer the time. The assembly theme for next week is 'World Religion Day'.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday	24th January	am	Immunisation Team in for Year 9's
Friday	14th February	3.00pm	End of half term
Monday	24th February	CLOSED	Staff INSET training day. School closed to all pupils.
Tuesday	25th February	CLOSED	Staff INSET training day. School closed to all pupils.
Thursday	6th March	All day	World Book 'Dress-up' Day
Wednesday	30th April	pm	Secondary Transition Fair

Papillon 'Quote of the Week'

"That is the best apple crumble I have ever tasted!"

Jennie (office) re: Yara's crumble

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