



Papillon House School Newsletter

Summer Term 2- Friday 27th June 2025



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Papillon House had a very different feel this week, and I am very proud of all our staff and pupils in the way everyone has coped following the very sad news of our beloved colleague and friend who was a special part of our Papillon House family and will be greatly missed by us all. Thank you to all parents' and carers who have contacted me this week to express their condolences. We are in contact with his family and will pass on your kind messages.

I would also like to say a huge thank you to Taryn for all that she has done for our children at Papillon. She is leaving us today to start her new life with her family in South Africa. We all wish her the very best in her new adventures.

Primary Department News

Caterpillar Class explored different colours this week to make a train for our display board and listened to the story 'A Train Ride'. They went swimming and it's been lovely to see their confidence grow in the pool. In music they all enjoyed playing the xylophone and were all keen to have a turn. We went to Lidl to buy our cooking ingredients and some party food because we are sadly saying goodbye to Taryn today. They all watched a Science attention circle and enjoyed looking at the books in the library.

Meadow Class have enjoyed a summer themed week! We played with seashells and sand during an English lesson and then made sandcastles in an attention circle. We have been reading 'All Aboard the Words Train,' learning vocabulary about the seaside. The children enjoyed making ice-cream cakes and especially enjoyed putting the chocolate flakes on top! We made trains with different coloured shapes and cotton wool smoke in art. On Thursday, we enjoyed a trip to Leatherhead Lidl and bought some doughnuts and ice lollies. The children have loved singing seaside songs and some of them had a little dance too! And of course, we practise our sack races, javelin and egg and spoon races in readiness for our Sports Day.

Peacock Class enjoyed doing some 'Jump Start Jonny' videos in class as fun movement breaks. During our PSHE lessons we thought about the things that babies need to survive and practised how to hold a baby carefully and safely. In English we learnt about fiction and non-fiction, looking at a selection of books and deciding which were fiction and which were non-fiction. Wednesday was our beach trip to Littlehampton, we had so much fun! We enjoyed playing in the sea and discovered there was lots of seaweed! We searched for shells amongst the pebbles and enjoyed our picnic and ice cream treat. The children were so exhausted after a fun day that they all had a nap on the minibus back to school!

Reminders & Requests

Please could we ask all parents and carers to be vigilant for **ticks**. We do have some grassy areas around the school grounds and these habitats are particularly enjoyed by ticks. Below is a link to information about preventative measures as well as advice regarding what to do if you find a tick. [https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/642bec29f620000f17dbbe/](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/642bec29f620000f17dbbe/Tick-awareness-A5-leaflet-April-2023.pdf) **Tick-awareness-A5-leaflet-April-2023.pdf**

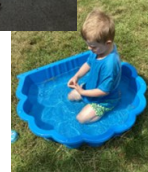
Friday 4th July is our 'Papillon Fun Day' fundraising **cake sale**. Please could your child bring in their nut-free cake donations on Thursday or Friday and a £1 donation to spend at the cake sale.

Photo Gallery



Shopping for our party

Time for a song!



Water play

Making ice-cream cakes



English session



PSHE lesson



Fun at the beach!



Swallowtail Class enjoyed a trip to Littlehampton Beach on Wednesday which linked really well with our topic of 'The Sea'. The children loved playing in the sea and on the beach and enjoyed an ice cream or sweet treat for snack. They also continued their learning of 'The Sea' in their topic, attention circle and cooking sessions; they cooked a fish finger sandwich with John on Monday! They were delicious!

Secondary Department News

Monarch Class enjoyed a trip to Dorking Library on Monday to look for books for our Summer Holiday topic. On Tuesday, the children did some fantastic work in Science, learning about habitats and diet, and what foods can be found for different animals that live in different places. On Wednesday, they made fruity ice lollies with juice and some of their favourite fruits. Some of us enjoyed a sensory story session with Sue this week, and today Monarch Class completed some fantastic maths work and enjoyed looking at pictures from our week in reflection.

Admiral Class started their week with some learners going to Box Hill To look at the architecture of the Natural Play Trail. We have also had our class and school photos taken and we all gave our best smiles! In art we have been learning about sculpture and some learners have made a model of the O2 out of papier-mâché. In cooking we made summer fruit lollies where we used fruit and juice, very welcomed by the children given the heat. We have also continued with our Sports Day practice.

Emperor Class baked some delicious cupcakes to celebrate Pride Month. We were also delighted to harvest our own lettuce from the garden, which we used in our tasty chicken burgers in Emperor Café. In Science, we've been continuing to discover more fascinating facts about fossils, everyone was amazed to learn that it takes around 10,000 years for a fossil to form! We're all really looking forward to the sleepover this weekend, it's going to be lots of fun!

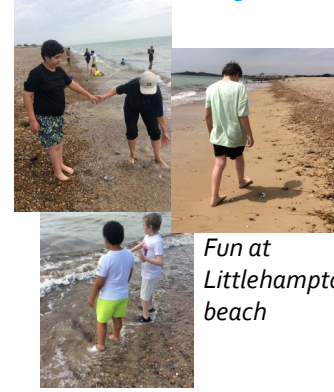
Stars of the Week

Our "Stars" this week are:

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| Caterpillar | Shelbie for "happily participating at swimming and moving across the pool independently." |
| Meadow | Jamie for "great progression at swimming." |
| Peacock | Jack for "being brave at the beach and getting in the sea!" |
| Swallowtail | Bailey for "exemplary behaviour on Wednesday at the beach." |



Photo Gallery



Fun at Littlehampton beach



Making fruit lollies

Story time!



Sports Day practise



Jumping the hurdles



Pride cupcakes



Birthdays

There were no Primary birthdays this week.

Therapy

It was lovely to see the children from Swallowtail and Peacock classes fully embrace the seaside. We collected treasures, including shark's egg and kettle fish (pictured below), paddled in the water and played with rocks and sand.

Monika Persechino - Speech and Language Therapy Assistant



Big well done to James, who did very well in his Speech and Language session. James was very focused and made significant progress towards his target. Monika Persechino- Speech and Language Therapy Assistant

Head Teacher Award

This week's Head Teacher's Award is awarded to Amberley for showing great progress at swimming, moving independently across the pool with the use of a pool noodle and kicking her feet independently.



Important Dates

Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place in the Summer Term. Further information will be sent nearer the time. The assembly theme for this week is 'British Values'.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday	30th June	1.45pm	Primary Sports Day
Wednesday	2nd July	All day	Caterpillar and Meadow day trip to Fishers Farm Park
Wednesday	2nd July	2pm	Secondary Sports Day
Friday	4th July		Cake sale
Monday	7th July	pm	Parents' Evening
Wednesday	9th July	All day	Emperor day trip to Littlehampton Beach
Friday	11th July	All day	Mufti Day
Monday	14th July	am 1.45pm	Hairdresser visiting Primary Sports Day (rescheduled)
Thursday	17th July	All day	Papillon Summer Fun Mufti Day!
Monday	21st July	5-7.30pm	Family BBQ
Tuesday	22nd July	3pm	End of Summer Term
Thursday	4th September	9.25am	Start of Autumn Term

Papillon 'Quote of the Week'

"Take me, sea people!" (Jospeh-Peacock Class) whilst paddling in the sea at Littlehampton.

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