



# Papillon House School Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 - Friday 26th September 2025



Dear Parents/Guardians,

It's been a busy week at Papillon with the build up to our Harvest celebrations and some fun offsite visits. Well done to Ahiyan for showing great leadership skills on his visit to CEX in Redhill. He was able to gather lots of gaming information to help support his learning for our topic of 'Gaming and Social Media' and helped his peers to identify the make and models of different types of games consoles.

We have also been busy preparing for our Harvest celebrations next week. 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** have had a lovely week and have enjoyed a variety of activities. They went to Walton on the Hill Park and cycling. In maths, they have been joining in with numerous number songs. The song 'Five Little Ducks' seems to be a favourite at the moment! In cooking they made ham or cheese sandwiches and in our making session they turned themselves into an action figure. For PSHE they watched a relaxing attention circle and then took turns playing 'we're standing on a stool'.

**Meadow Class** started their new story "The Dinosaur who Pooped a Superhero" and they loved listening to the book and enjoyed drawing and writing about their favourite parts! On Monday, they also loved cooking Thor's Hammer using carrot and cheese, and a Captain America's shield with rice cake, ham and cheese. They also created superhero masks in making on Thursday. The class have really settled after a few weeks now and the children are working very hard in all lessons and sessions.

**Peacock Class** had so much fun making our royal trifles, we carefully cut up fruit, poured the fruit and jelly into the pot, broke up the sponge fingers and then added a squirt of cream and sprinkles on top - yum! In Maths we have been sorting and matching different quantities to their amount. We have enjoyed watching attention circles and we really enjoyed sandcastle splat! Some of us went horse riding on Thursday and had a great time getting to know the horses again. In making we used paint to make silhouette castle prints and then put them up on our display board.

## Reminders & Requests

**Parents' Evenings** will be held on Monday 13th October. Thank you to all parents who have returned the slips indicating your time preference. Please return the slips to the office next week if you are able to attend. Thank you.

## Photo Gallery



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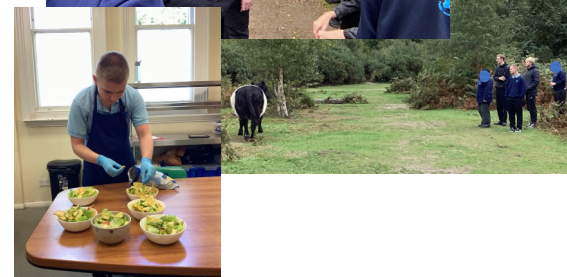
### Secondary Department News

**Swallowtail Class** made pancakes in cooking and enjoyed different choices of toppings; lemon and sugar was by far the favourite! The children enjoyed swimming and are really improving each time they go. We learnt about Roman Soldiers in Topic and the children labelled the clothes of a soldier and designed their very own Roman shield. We thoroughly enjoyed Tadworth Leisure Centre Park where all the children loved the different rides and the sunshine! In maths, some children ordered numbers and listened to mathematical songs. The others have been learning about capacity. We read the story, 'The Day the Crayons Quit' and talked about all the different emotions they felt and discussed 'empathy.' We also celebrated my birthday and even had a little dancing!

**Monarch Class** did some fantastic maths work and enjoyed assembly. On Tuesday, we went swimming and had lots of fun reading one of our topic books: Stone Soup! On Wednesday, we made some fabulous flatbread and salsa from scratch. Monarch Class went to ASDA to find some new foods to try in our tasting snack sessions, and we finished off our week with some fantastic reflection work, looking back at our pictures from the week.

**Admiral Class** have enjoyed a few trips into the community this week. Some learners went to CEX in Redhill to look at computer games (as this relates to our topic) whilst some learners went to Knights Garden Centre to observe the changes in the plants with winter on its way. Some of Admiral Class enjoyed experimenting with sensory materials including putty, shaving foam, rice and sand. They had fun getting very messy! Within our Jigsaw lesson we discussed how families can influence our opinions and decisions. Admiral Class also enjoyed learning about how music is used in films and the effect that this can have on our emotions during the film.

**Emperor Class** have enjoyed learning about different social justice movements this week. We explored the life and legacy of Nelson Mandela, gaining a deeper understanding of the struggle against apartheid and the importance of equality. We also learned about Greta Thunberg and her passionate advocacy for climate action. On Wednesday, we took a very enjoyable walk on Headley Heath where we saw some lovely cows.



### Stars of the Week

#### Our "Stars" this week are:

**Caterpillar** Amberley for "participating in all activities with enthusiasm."

**Meadow** Aidan for "making an amazing superhero mask in making."

**Peacock** LJ for "his successful community visit to Box Hill Stores."

**Swallowtail** Mia for "learning all the Roman Numerals in Topic by learning a song."



### Birthdays

There were no Primary birthdays this week.



## Therapy

William is continuing to make progress in using his communication boards, both in the therapy environment as well as in the classroom. He can now link multiple words together.

*Monika Persechino—Speech and Therapy Assistant*

## Head Teacher Award

This week's Head Teacher's Award is awarded to Kuba for great listening, attention and taking turns with others.



Amberley has made significant progress in her speech and language therapy sessions. She is increasingly interested in copying speech sounds as well as using visuals. Well done, Amberley!

*Monika Persechino—Speech and Therapy Assistant*

## Important Dates

### Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place in the Autumn Term. Further information will be sent nearer the time. The assembly theme for next week is 'Harvest Celebration.'

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday	29th September		Harvest Festival
Monday	6th October		Individual school photographs
Monday	13th October	3.30-7pm	Parents' Evening
Friday	17th October	3.00pm	End of half term
Monday	3rd November	9.30am	Start of Autumn Term 2

## Papillon 'Quote of the Week'

**"I worked so hard in the café yesterday!" *Michael—Emperor Class***

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# Student Council

**Attended:** Amberley Hemme, Aidan Power, Sienna Dornan, Alex Merrett, Lily Prince.

**Apologies:** Jamie Passmore

Primary pupils thought about ideas for our Christmas play and used visuals to choose between Mary Poppins, Nutcracker and Paddington. Pupils spoke about all the things that they have been enjoying at school. Amberley has enjoyed bubbles, exploring different smells and timers. Aidan has enjoyed his class topic of 'superheroes.'

The children received stickers and thanked everyone for attending. Well done to you all!





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## October Half Term Mindfulness Pony Day for Kids!

**Date:** Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**Time:** 9am- 2pm

**Location:** Ponies 'n' Kids, Eaton Thorne Stables, Woodmancote, Nr Henfield, W.Sussex, BN5 9AG

*Join us for a magical day designed especially for children ages 5-11! Dive into a world of peace, friendship, and mindfulness, all while experiencing the calming presence of our adorable ponies.*

### What to Expect:

- **Mindfulness Time with Ponies:** Learn calming techniques and emotional regulation skills while spending quality time with our gentle ponies.
- **Pony Care:** Discover the joys of caring for ponies through grooming, feeding, and building a bond.
- **Riding and Mounted Games:** Experience the joy of pony rides and engage in fun, team-based games that promote confidence and cooperation.
- **Connect with Nature:** Immerse yourself in the tranquility of our beautiful, quiet stables and serene surroundings.
- **Make New Friends:** Build connections and friendships with other children in a supportive, nurturing environment.

**Scan the QR code to book:**



**Cost:** £140 per child

**Spaces limited to 15 children**

**We are an inclusive team and warmly welcome children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). We celebrate diversity and are committed to providing a supportive environment where every child can thrive.**