



Papillon House School Newsletter

Spring Term 2 - Friday 6th March 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have been celebrating World Book Day throughout the week with lots of enjoyable reading activities to celebrate our love of reading at Papillon. Our children and young people have guessed the reader, searched for 'Where's Wally', met Goldilocks and the Three Bears, and listened to stories from teachers who visited different classes to share their favourite stories. It was great to see so many children dressed up as their favourite book character yesterday which included Miss Trunchball, Alice in Wonderland and Zog!

We also welcomed Linda Whitehead to Papillon who will be our new teacher in Peacock Class. Linda has spent time getting to know the children in her class, and also spent time in other classes across the school meeting other students.

Primary Department News

Caterpillar Class enjoyed a visit from the Fire Service who delivered a wonderful Attention Autism circle session. The children also had a great time celebrating World Book Day. It was lovely to see them dressed up in different outfits. The 'guess the reader' activity was a big hit, and they loved listening to Jennie read 'Monkey Puzzle'. Gavin also came in to read 'A Squash and a Squeeze', which the children thoroughly enjoyed. During our RISE session, the children loved playing with the parachute and had big smiles on their faces throughout, and also enjoyed decorating a large snail and ladybirds for our display board. In science, the children explored magnets and cause-and-effect toys, showing lots of curiosity and engagement.

Meadow Class have been celebrating World Book Day this week by doing some book-themed lessons such as English, dance, making sloths from a story book in making and attention circles. They also loved watching a rendition of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' performed by the Senior Leadership Team on Wednesday. Additionally, this week, Meadow Class were treated to an attention circle lesson from the Fire Brigade, they loved dressing up in a fire fighter uniform and learning about fire safety. We also thoroughly enjoyed listening to different hidden members of staff in our 'guess the reader' session on Tuesday.

Peacock Class have welcomed their new teacher Linda this week, completing activities to help getting to know each other. We have been reading 'Lost in the Toy Museum' in English sessions and focussing on the 'ar' sounds in phonics. In maths we have compared groups of items and used the terms 'not enough, enough and too many' when matching. On Wednesday we made baguette pizzas which were very tasty! World Book Day was lots of fun as the class went on a 'Where's Wally' hunt and also watched 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' on the pergola, re-enacting it using the props.

Reminders & Requests

Caterpillar, Meadow and Peacock Classes will be visiting **Sutton Omniplex Cinema** on Monday 16th March. (Letter attached.) Please return the slip and £8.50 payment by next Friday 13th March if you would like your child to attend.

Photo Gallery



Secondary Department News

Swallowtail Class started looking at our next celebration, which is May Day, and did a variety of tasks in English and making throughout the week based on the celebration. We also started looking at Christianity through Lent as part of our World Views lesson and made May Buns in our cooking session. In PSHE, we started our next subject which is "Healthy Me", discussing smoking/vaping and the side effects of doing both. Swallowtail Class completed some phonics work which involved some comprehension and reading tasks, and maths work based around money and making up amounts out of coins. As this week was World Book Day, we had a number of WBD activities that we took part in throughout the week.

Monarch Class started the week with a lovely party to celebrate Sarah's birthday! This week we have also had lots of fun celebrating World Book Day. In our English sessions, the children enjoyed creating their own stories and sharing their ideas. We took part in a 'guess the reader' activity with other classes, where we had to listen carefully and guess who was reading a story just by their voice! The children also loved heading outside to search the grounds for 'Where's Wally', which caused lots of excitement. We enjoyed a trip to ASDA to choose our tasting snack items for this half term, and in cooking we made delicious mini spring vegetable frittatas.

Admiral Class have been enjoying World Book Week this week and all the activities relating to this. The learners had fun 'guessing the reader' and some searched the school grounds looking for 'Where's Wally'! Some of us enjoyed a visit from the Fire Brigade on Wednesday where representatives from the fire service taught us how to be safe and identify hazards. Our Kaleidoscope learners were shown how to call 999 if they needed the fire department or other emergency services. In our making session, some of us enjoyed drawing around each other to reinforce our learning on labelling different parts of the body. Admiral Class attended our assembly where we shared some of our World Book Day costumes with our peers.

Emperor Class have had a wonderful time celebrating World Book Day throughout the week! On Monday afternoon, they enjoyed a special visit from Peacock teacher, Linda, who read an extract from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. The secondary students also did a fantastic job performing in our Story Time show this afternoon. It was a pleasure to see them reading with such confidence to the rest of the school.



Our "Stars" this week are:

- Caterpillar Class** Matilda for "participating in all activities and writing her letters and name."
Meadow Class Logan for "amazing horse riding on the sensory trail riding Tom on Thursday."
Peacock Class Joseph for "being kind and helpful supporting Linda to settle in."

Photo Gallery



There were no Primary birthdays this week.

Therapy

Cruz and Jamie in Peacock Class attended their first food exploration session this week. Both boys did extremely well, actively exploring the textures, smells and tastes of the food offered and remaining engaged throughout. *Claire Messom -Occupational Therapist and Clara Boxall -Occupational Therapy Assistant*

Well done to Teddy, Jaxson and Tristan for participating well in this week's food exploration session, exploring the crunchy texture of crisps, watching the jelly wobble in the tray, and scooping the yoghurt from the pot. We had a fun session exploring the different textures, smells and sometimes the taste of the food items. *Claire Messom—Occupational Therapist*

Well done Teddy who engaged very well in his Speech and Language Therapy session. He named lots of farm animals and joined in with the chorus of the "Old McDonald" song: E-I-E-I-O.

Monika Persechino-Speech and Language Therapy Assistant Practitioner

Important Dates

Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place in the Spring Term. Further information will be sent nearer the time. The assembly theme next week is International Women's Day.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday	16th March	am	Primary Cinema Trip
Friday	20th March	All day	Red Nose Day (mufti day)
Monday	23rd March	am	Secondary Cinema Trip
Thursday	26th March	All day	World Maths Day
Friday	27th March	2pm	End of Spring Term
Monday	13th April	9.25am	Start of Summer Term 1
Wednesday	22nd April	10.30	Primary parents coffee morning
Monday	4th May	All day	BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Wednesday	20th May	am	Whole school visit to Leatherhead Miniature Railway
Friday	22nd May	3pm	End of Summer Term 1

Papillon 'Quote of the Week'

***"This is the best day ever!"
Jack (Peacock Class) after his
Lego session and story time.***

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WORLD BOOK DAY



Supernova Singers

Supernova Singers is a fully inclusive, un-auditioned choir for singers with all additional learning needs (eg. ASD, ADHD, Speech & Language, Global Development Delay, etc.), aged 8 - 13. Sessions are carried out in a supportive environment that has been adapted to the differing needs of the singers attending.



Parents/carers are encouraged to attend rehearsals with their singer. There will be a performance opportunity for friends and family at the end of each term.

DATE: Tuesday evenings during term time

TIME: 5.15pm - 6.15pm - singers can arrive from 5pm to settle

LOCATION: Cantium House, Wallington, SM6 0DZ

Read more about Supernova Singers and sign up here: <https://suttonmusictrust.org.uk/singing/sutton-supernova-singers/>