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We've had another busy week this week. The summer term is always so full of activities that the time really seems to fly by!

Year 1 have completed their phonics test this week, where they have to read 20 real and 20 'alien' words. As we have become accustomed to at Palace Wood, the children really did give it their best, especially with some of the trickier words.

There have also been lots of been practice out on the field in preparation for Sports Day next Friday. The children have been running their trials for the running races as well as getting some practice in for the events of the carousel. Please make sure you read the letter attached to the newsletter regarding the details about Sports Day.

We have also had some trips and visitors this week. Rev Barry came in from the church to lead assembly on Monday, Year 2 went to Wingham Wildlife Park yesterday, and today, the Wiggly Wild Show visited Elephants and Penguins.

Reading Evening

Another date to add to your diary. We were unable to hold our 'Read in' because of the snow, so we have rearranged this for Thursday 5th July from 4pm. Members of staff will read the children some of their favourite stories, weather permitting, on the field on a beautiful summer's evening! More details will follow next week.

Mr Grimes and Mrs Cresswell

We have been very fortunate to be able to support two trainee teachers this year. Mr Grimes has been working in Pandas all year, and Mrs Cresswell joined us at the start of February, initially in Bears, but then in Giraffes. They have now completed their Initial Teacher Training and are ready to go into the world of teaching! We wish them all the best for their teaching careers and thank them for what they have brought to Palace Wood in their time here. Hopefully, they will be taking some of Palace Wood with them too!



Superstar Corner

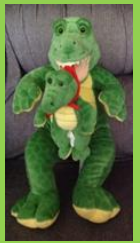
It has been so lovely to receive so many entries into Superstar Corner over the last two weeks. We love hearing about what you get up to outside of school, and sharing in celebrating your successes.

William from Rhinos received a certificate for Martial Arts Student of the Month from the UK Kung Fu School. Phoebe from Giraffes achieved her 15m swimming badge and certificate last week. Jessica in Pandas recently completed her 600m badge in swimming. Diya and Ava in Rhinos represented Castle Colts under 11s girls and played in the Tonbridge football fiesta tournament at the weekend. They won the final 1-0, winning in extra time on a golden goal... there was 7 seconds left on the clock! Henry in Giraffes class completed his first park run at the weekend Evan was voted players player for his football team Castle Athletic

Alfie the Attendance Alligator - weekly attendance



Rhinos	95.2%	Panthers	93.8%	Bears	97.2%
Hippos	94.6%	Crocodiles	97%	Giraffes	95%
Lions	100%	Monkeys	98%	Elephants	93.8%
Tigers	96.1%	Pandas	94%	Penguins	96.7%
Leopards	93%	Zebras	99%		



Overall weekly Attendance - 96%

Netball Competition

On Monday, the Year 6 netball team attended a tournament at Greenfields. The team played really well together and finished second in the group stage. This saw us through to the quarter-final. It was a really tight 1-1 draw right until the last minute or two. Boughton scored two goals quickly at the end of match and so we lost 3-1. Mrs Gibbons and I have really enjoyed coaching the children this year and they were a pleasure to spend the afternoon with. Well done team.

Miss Ridout



Year 2 Cricket Competition

Some of our Year 2 children represented the school in a Rapid Fire Cricket tournament. They performed extremely well, and the organiser of the competition had these kind words to say about all of the competitors: *I was impressed not only at the skills on display but also at the way your players demonstrated the spirit of cricket, by playing with such a good level of respect for their opponents!*

Post Box

There is now a red office post box outside the yellow door off the top playground to save parents having to walk all the way round to the office. This will be emptied every day and is a secure place for you to leave reply slips etc.

And finally...

With the World Cup Starting yesterday, I'm sure there will be the inevitable buzz around England, and whether or not we can win it. I did like what I heard from the team press conferences however, which was that they have been told to play without fear. This mirrors the Growth Mindset approach. Some people laugh when they hear the England players saying 'of course we think we can win it'. As has been said before:

Whether you think you can or whether you think you can't, you are probably right!'

Have a great weekend.

Mr Chatley

Letters home this week

Yr5/6	Sports shirts, Rounders
Yr4	Local walk
Yr6	Oliver tickets, costume list, Year Book, Party
Acorns	Film Night
All	Non-Uniform day
EYFS	School Nurse letter
Yr2	Mr Grimes

Dates (new dates in red)

Fri 15 June	Film Night for Acorns
Weds 20 June	Yr1 Port Lympne Zoo visit
Fri 22 June	Sports Day
Sat 23 June	Summer Fair
Tues 26 June	YrR Rare Breeds visit
Mon 2 July	Yr6 Sex Ed video
	Yr6 Visit to St Nicholas Church
Tue 3 July	Reserve Sports Day
Fri 6 July	Oaks' Disco
Wed 11 July	2pm Yr6 Performance to parents
Thur 12 July	Open afternoon from 3:30
Fri 13 July	7pm Yr6 Performance to parents
Thur 19 July	6pm Y6 Leavers' Party
Fri 20 July	2.45 Yr6 Leavers' Assembly

INSET DAYS FOR NEXT YEAR:

The KCC calendar dates for next year are attached, with the addition of our INSET days:

19th December, 3rd June, 22 & 23 July

Plus one more to be arranged.

Children return to school Monday 3rd September.