

PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Children in Need

Thank you to all the children who came to school dressed in their wide variety of pyjamas to help support Children in Need. I have to be honest and say that there was something particularly comforting about working in my dressing gown and slippers today! Completing the Joe Wicks workout wearing them was not quite so comfortable, but good fun nonetheless. Make sure you check out Twitter (@palace_wood) to see some pictures of the day.

READ ALL ABOUT IT!

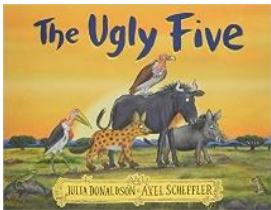
We are pleased to announce that we have appointed our new Reading Ambassadors for the school.



Congratulations go to: Ellie, Carys, Saira, Finley, Megan, Eleanor, Ethan, Abbie, Cody and Frankie-Rose. We know you will work hard to promote reading across our school.

We are actually wasting no time at all and have our first meeting scheduled for next week. Stay tuned for our next steps! We had a fantastic response to our Reading Ambassador vacancies and thus wanted to thank all the year 6 children who applied for the position.

EYFS & KS1 book recommendation:

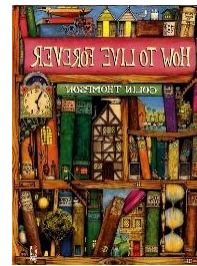


The Ugly Five by Julia Donaldson.

This is a jubilant celebration of creatures that are often rather unloved, but to their

babies, they are perfect just the way they are. It's also a great one for putting on accents for the different animals and singing the song!

KS2 book recommendation:



How to Live Forever by Colin Thompson (one of Mrs Childs' favourites)

A tale of a boy who travels through strange worlds to find the secret of how to live forever.

Global Gladiators

As you know, at Palace Wood we are working hard to educate the children on the importance of caring for our environment so that they can see their place in the global community. We have progressed through the Bronze and Silver Eco Schools' Awards and are aiming for Green Flag this year. We have many things running throughout the year, brilliantly co-ordinated by Mrs Kyte and her Global Gladiators.

One of the things you will have seen over the last year is our recycling schemes. Many of you bring your crisp packets for us to recycle, and the children are very well practised in putting them in the right box at the end of lunch. These recycling schemes will benefit the Heart of Kent Hospice and Demelza House as chosen by the Global Gladiators, so please could everyone save crisp packets and snack packets and put them in the bins provided outside the entrances to both Acorns and Oaks.



Superstar Corner

Emilia in Leopards wanted to share that she has received her level 9 gymnastics badge from Pegasus this week.

Alfie and Percy - Attendance and Punctuality

Percentage Attendance		No. of Lates	
Sheeran	96.57	Sheeran	13
Yarnold	97.12	Yarnold	5
Hawking	96.35	Hawking	5
Rowling	95.53	Rowling	7

Overall weekly Attendance 96.39%

Attendance

Yarnold and Hawking teams had the best punctuality this week, and Yarnold the best attendance.

Stories with Santa

Children in Acorns will have seen the flyer for Stories with Santa this week. Bookings can be made via <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsopalacewood/index.cfm?event=Shop#.XcwhriWnyaM>

To clarify, the time given is the time for your story with Santa. However, we encourage you to come after school and enjoy a hot chocolate and make some reindeer food while you are waiting for your time slot. All of these activities are included in the price for children and will hopefully help to build excitement. Similarly, if you have an early story slot booked, you can stay afterwards for your hot chocolate and reindeer food. If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Christmas Dates

Year 4 parents – please note that the start of the Year 4 Christmas play has moved forward to 2:15.

Christmas Lunch

Attached to today's newsletter is a flyer for children to book their Christmas Lunch on 11th December. A paper copy will also be sent home, so please can EVERYONE return this slip by 29th November.

And finally

The Christmas activities begin next week, and whilst it seems early in November, there is just so much to do. We also have our last scheduled Open Morning on Friday for our new intake next year. The response this year has been brilliant and I have really loved showing parents around the school and talking to them about our journey
#proudheadteacher #teampalacewood
Mr Chatley

Letters/Parentmails home this week:

All Children in Need
Packed lunches
Tigers A Christmas message
Yr5/6 Boys Football date change
Yr4/5/6 Girls Football cancelled

Dates for your Diary (new dates in red)

22 Nov Open Day
25 Nov Friends' Grotto
28 Nov Non-uniform day (chocolate!)
29 Nov Friends' Christmas Fair
4 Dec Year 4 Christmas Show
5&6 Dec EYFS Christmas Show
10 Dec Year 2 Christmas Show
11 Dec Christmas Jumpers
Christmas Lunch
Year 5 & 6 Carol Concert
12 Dec Year 1 Show
13 Dec Oaks' Christmas Disco
16 Dec Carols at St Nicholas Church (children)

INSET Days, when school is closed to children, are:

1. 18 October 2019
2. 18 December 2019
3. 16 April 2020
4. 17 April 2020
5. 1 June 2020