



PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 1
14th October 2022

Courage Curiosity Challenge Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers,

We started the week with HelloYellow Day and thinking about the importance of looking after our mental health as well as our physical health. Thank you for your donations towards the Young Minds Charity. Once we have a total for the amount raised, I will let you know via the newsletter.

As I write, the year 4, 5 and 6 disco is in full swing and the disco for years 1, 2 and 3 has been and gone. It has been great to see the children's costumes and there has certainly been excitement and disco fever in the air today! It is not easy organising this type of event, for the number of children attending, and I'd like to thank the Friends and staff involved for the fantastic job they have done in ensuring the children had a fun time. I am aware that there was a short wait for parents when collecting the younger children and I apologise if this caused inconvenience to anyone, but it is important that the children are all collected safely and that we know they have gone with the correct adult.

After school clubs for next term have been made available and after the difficulties with Magic Booking we are trialing a different system this time. After speaking with a group of parents about the clubs we have tried to ensure that children received a place on the club of their choice but on a first come first served basis. We are also trying to ensure that every child gets the opportunity to join a club across the year. Therefore, children who were part of a club in term 1 may not have got a space on a club in term 2 if there were children on the list who have not been to an after school club. We are delighted to be able offer the range of clubs available, but some can only take a quite limited number of children because of the nature of the club. We know this means that some children will be disappointed if they did not get a place this time. Thank you for your support and patience with this process.

Just a reminder that next week is a short week for the children as Friday is a staff development day.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Cairns





Reminders and Updates

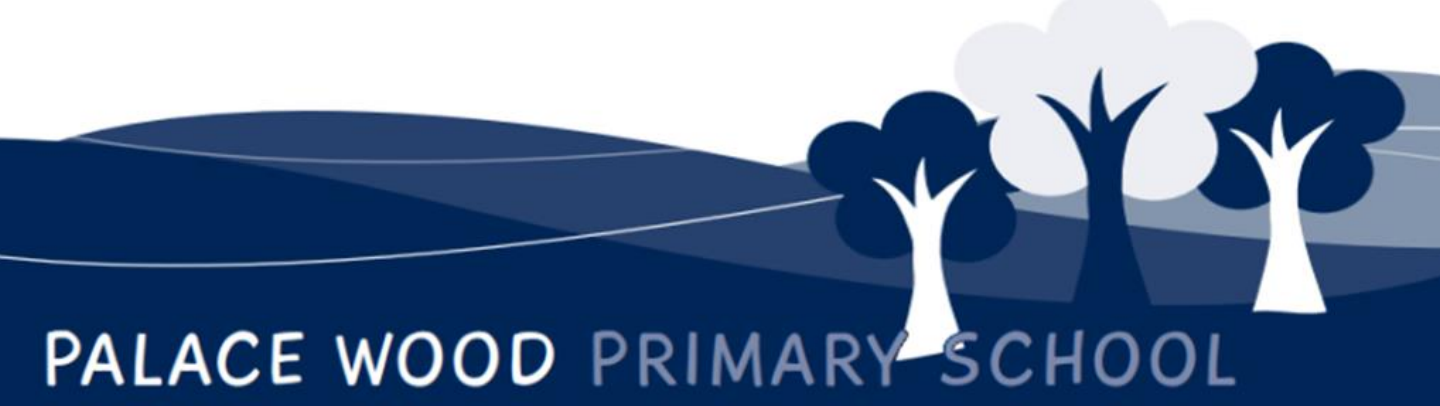
- . Don't forget your welly boots for forest school and lunchtimes
- This week's KM has the 'First Class' photos of reception classes across the local area.

Dates for the diary

Date	Event
21st October	SDD – no children in school

For all dates for the coming year please check the school calendar on our website

[Palace Wood Primary School - Home \(palacewoodschools.org.uk\)](http://palacewoodschools.org.uk)



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This week's always children:

Elephants	Grace	Crocodiles	Helena
Penguins	Felicity	Panthers	Florence
Bears	Eva	Leopards	Maris
Giraffes	Holly	Tigers	Sophie
Pandas	Finn	Lions	Milaya
Zebras	Skylar	Hippos	Fred
Monkeys	Teddy	Rhinos	Charlotte

Times table Rock Stars

Murtaza (Tigers)
Joseph (Tigers)
Erin (Tigers)
For biggest increase in coins

Numbots of the week

Gideon W (Bears)
Isaac W (Bears)
Isaac T (Giraffes)
For biggest increase in coins

Greatness Gallery

Penguins-Aidan-
Zebras – Hugo
Hippos - Aiden

**Housepoint
Winners
Yarnold**

**This week's
attendance is 94.3%**



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Children who have shown one of our values this week



Elephants

Penguins

Giraffes

Bears

Pandas

Zebras

Crocodiles

Monkeys

Leopards

Panthers

Tigers

Lions

Rhinos

Hippos

Daisy and Sina

Aria and Brody

Maddie and Kiera

Harry H and Harley

Alex and Scarlett

Flynn and Arise

Thomas and Ben

Praise and Ruby

Sandra and Ambia

Faith and William

Fraser and Daniel

Bilal and Ethan

Isabella

Amelia and Zach



SUPERSTAR CORNER

Archie took part in his first football session and got mangers player.



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Elena achieved a certificate for gymnastics. What a brilliant hand stand – well done!



SPORTS NEWS



Report by Olivia B (Year 6)

On Wednesday, a squad of 10 players competed in the Maidstone Schools Mini World Cup at the Gallagher Stadium. There were 36 schools in attendance and Palace Wood put on a fantastic performance. Theo, Lexie, Ralph, Olivia, Holly, Miles, Gozie and Charlie from Year 6 and Fraser and Ethan from Year 5 were on the team. In the group stages we won three games and drew one game. In the last group stage match, Loose Primary beat us 3-0. Luckily, we got through to the next round of matches winning 2-1 vs Roseacre. In the Quarter Finals, we played against Loose Primary once again and lost 1-0 in the last minute of the match! We were very disappointed. Our top goal scorer was Gozie with a total of 4 goals in the tournament! We also saw goals from Holly, Miles and Olivia. We held up an excellent defence by Fraser, Ralph, Miles and Charlie. Ethan and Lexie were super speedy and worked hard to set up many of the goals scored. Finally, Theo was a brilliant goalie, saving many many goals throughout the day! Well done everyone! I am so proud of our team, I think we all did amazing!



EYFS

This week in EYFS we have been reading "All Are Welcome" and celebrating our differences. In maths we have been learning about size and capacity.

In P.E. this term we have been practising throwing and catching using balls and beanbags. It has been great fun using these skills in our exploring time too!



YEAR 1



In English, Year 1 read the story What to do with a box, by Jane Yolen. The children worked on their oracy skills by talking to the class about their plans for their own box. Then they got to work and let their imagination run wild turning their boxes into buses, boats, cars, castles, cafes and much more!



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YEAR 2

This term in science we have been learning about living things and their habitats. From our research on minibeasts and micro-habitats we decided to plan, make and evaluate a bug hotel. First, we had to decide which minibeast (spiders, woodlice, centipedes, caterpillars, snails, slugs, ants or beetles) we wanted to stay in our hotel. Then we chose what we were going to use; sticks, twigs, leaves, cones, straw or grass. Finally, we decided on where we would place our bug hotel; in a tree, in a bush, in a flower bed, in some grass or in some soil.



YEAR 3



This week we have been seeing working on our addition and subtraction up to 1000. In English we began looking at the story 'The Proudest Blue' and have been inspired by some interesting questions from this. In Science we learnt about the different layers of soil.





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YEAR 4



This week Panthers class enjoyed the first session of a friendship workshop delivered by Chinelo and Sam from the NHS wellbeing team. It was great fun and we learnt a lot. Our friends in Leopards class are looking forward to taking part next week.

YEAR 5



This week in year 5 we have been reading *Holes* by Louis Sachar. We really enjoyed listening to the story, and even had a little hot chocolate with the final chapters. It was such an exciting book and we really enjoyed each revelation. Other books by him include: *There's a Boy in the Girls Bathroom*





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YEAR 6

Year 6 have had another busy week this week! In maths, we have tackled the challenge of long division and, with lots of perseverance, we have gained confidence. We have written monologues in English this week linking to our text for Black History Month, Sulwe. There has been some excellent writing which we have published for display. We also enjoyed learning about looping in music – look at the concentration on our faces!

Five Acre Wood

At Palace Wood we:

Give it our best
Respect one another
Overcome obstacles
Work together



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Forest School

We have had another great week in Forest School. Many classes had a fire, some even had hot chocolate and marshmallows. We have been busy building dens, digging holes, whittling sticks, playing games of hide and seek, enjoying the mud and mud kitchens and having our own role play fires,



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✓ All brands of tinted fabric conditioner bottles and caps



✓ Lenor tumble dryer sheets

Thank you everyone for your efforts in collecting, this week we got quite a few laundry, cheese and coffee packaging.

Max from Pandas is our Trash Changer of the week. We have challenged the staff of Palace Wood to see how many bread bags they could collect in 10 days! We will update you next week!

Thanks
Trash Changers team



✓ All brands of flexible wipe packaging and tinted rigid plastic tubs used for...



✓ All brands of flexible laundry washing capsules and pods packaging



Bread wrappers incl. wax



All brands of flexible coffee packaging



cheese protective plastic film



ACCEPTED WASTE

Any brand of packaging is accepted!

