



# PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 2  
9<sup>th</sup> December 2022

## Courage Curiosity Challenge Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we go into the last week of term I thought it would make sense to use the front page of this letter to detail all of the events happening next week.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Fair – all children will have a slot during the day to attend the fair. The cost of each activity will be between 50p and £1. Please send your child to school with a named purse or an envelope with their name on. We understand that this time of year can be very expensive and some families will not have spare money for the fair. Please be assured that the children will still be able to enjoy attending and there will be free activities that they can join in with.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – years 2,3 and 4 will be singing Christmas songs and from 3pm on the middle playground. Children will then go back to class to dismissed as normal

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> – Year 1 Nativity 2pm Oaks Hall

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Lunch and a visit to the church for all children. Please remember that children should wear the rest of their uniform as normal. Hair should still be tied back and children should not be wearing jewelry.

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 and 6 carol concert at the church. Please letter from year 6 for details.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> – EYFS Christmas songs from 2:30pm in Oaks Hall. Children will go back to classes and be dismissed in the normal way

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> – Panto in school for EYFS, years 1,2 and 3.

A busy but enjoyable week ahead.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Cairns

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**Reminders and Updates**

- . Don't forget your welly boots for forest school and lunchtimes
- Please remember we are a nut free school

**Dates for the diary**

Date	Event
See page 1	

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

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

## This week's always children:

Elephants	Marni	Crocodiles	Thomas
Penguins	Aria	Panthers	Florence
Bears	Ava	Leopards	Wisdom
Giraffes	Archie	Tigers	Evelyn
Pandas	Alana C	Lions	Milaya
Zebras	Joshua	Hippos	Gozie
Monkeys	Jesse	Rhinos	Phoebe

### Times table Rock Stars

Sebastian D (Crocodiles)

Stanley S (Leopards)

Olivia H (Leopards)

For biggest increase in accuracy

### Numbots of the week

Niamh HW (Giraffes)

Isaac T (Giraffes)

Oliver G (Giraffes)

For biggest increase in coins

### Greatness Gallery

Pandas – Max and Chloe

All of Bears and Giraffes

Leopards– Joey

Rhinos-

Panthers –India

**Housepoint  
winners  
SHEERAN**

**This week's  
attendance is 87%**





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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

Emma and Indigo

Florence and Brody

Travis and Sophie

Charlie and Freddie

Bethany and Max

Bella and Hugo

Seb and Nikolaos

Scarlett and Ruby

Stan and Anson

Megan and Ethan

Murtaza and Erin



Daniel and Suli

Theo, Richie and Kris


Eva and Amelia



## SUPERSTAR CORNER



Lucia (Panthers) swam an amazing 40 lengths last night and achieved her 1000m swimming badge. She did say her legs were very tired afterwards!



Ambia (Leopards) and Lucia (Panthers) both competed at the South East Regional Floor and Vault gymnastics competition in Guildford on Saturday and both gave outstanding performances. They were placed both 1st and 2nd taking away the Gold and Silver medals. What a fantastic achievement girls!



# SPORTS NEWS



On Tuesday, a delightful group of 15 Year 6 children went to a Sportshall Athletics Event in Medway. The children competed in 5 different activities, including speed bounce, triple jump, high stepper, relay run and the chest push. They had a great day!

Thank you to Miles, Lacey, Amelia, Holly, Charlotte, Phoebe, Esmee, Luke, Henry, Isabella, Lexie, Aisha, Richie, Freddie and Charlie for being a fantastic team!



## EYFS

Elephants and Penguins have enjoyed lots of festive activities this week! We read the story of "The Christmasaurus" and talked about how he persevered when learning to fly. We also read the story of Jack Frost, then wrapped up warm to go on the field looking for clues that he had been! We enjoyed finding icy patterns on the leaves and making footprints and snow angels on the frosty grass.



## YEAR 1



This week Year 1 put on a fantastic show for the whole school and local pre-schools. The children have worked really hard to remember their positions, lines, when to stand up and move around the stage without adult support. We are very proud of the whole year group and cannot wait to show all the parents on Tuesday next week!

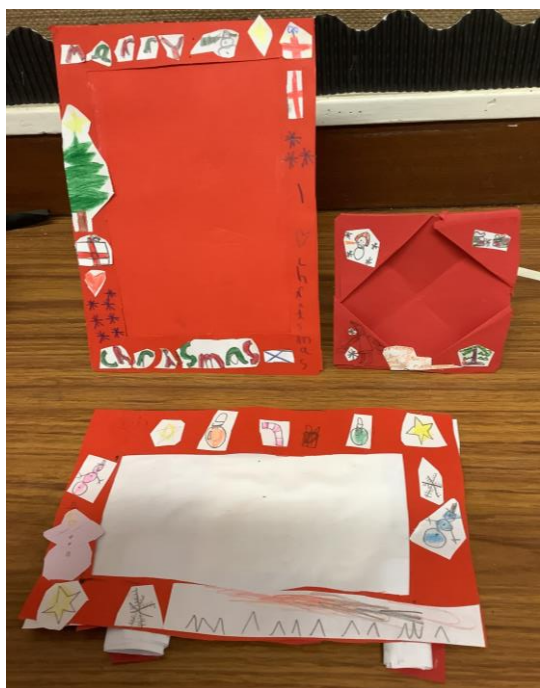


## YEAR 2

This week Year 2 have finished building their wheelbarrows in design and technology. If they have not done so already, they will use their wheelbarrows to collect items around the school using a map. They will then transport the items back to our site manager, Mr Gibson. We have also been finishing off our work on our current key text, 'The Tear Thief'. The children have produced some lovely diary entries focusing on emotions. In addition to this, we have been getting very festive in preparation for the Christmas holidays.



## YEAR 3



After all our hard work investigating audience and purpose, designing and practicing our photo frames, we finally got to make them! And not to forget, evaluated them as well. We have been so impressed with Year 3's skills to develop these from beginning to end.



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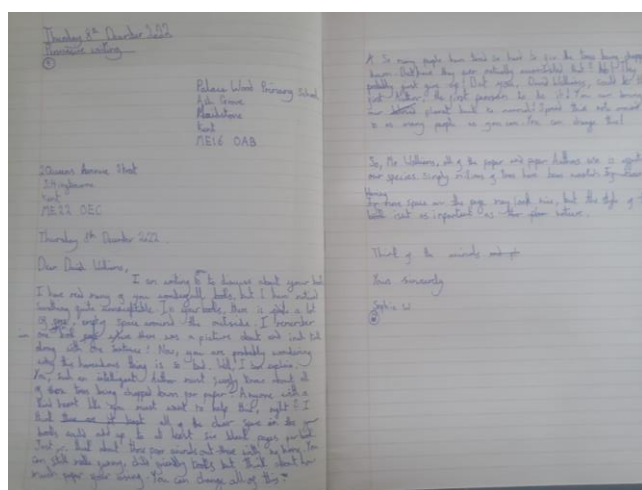
## YEAR 4

This week in our PE lesson we went outside with coach Storm and played some fun ball games. We practised aiming at different targets using an underarm throw. We were working in groups, so the activities required lots of team work.



## YEAR 5

This week we have begun preparations for Christmas celebrations. We were lucky enough to be invited to the Year 1 Dress Rehearsal of the Nativity. We have begun practicing our carols and we had a great time at the Panto! We also wrote some very persuasive letters.



## YEAR 6

Year 6 have been hard at work practising the carols for the 5/6 carol concert on Weds. They have a favourite which will be revealed at the concert for those of you attending!

We have delved further into our English text and the children are enjoying the characters' back stories that are gradually being revealed.

Your children should be able to help you with all things measured including imperial measurements – ask them!



## Five Acre Wood

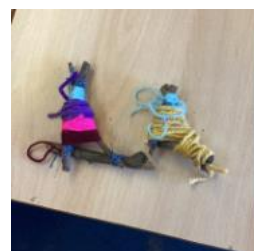


On Tuesday we performed our Nativity to our parents and Whale class adults were very proud of how well we did. We have also been busy making Christmas tree decorations to sell at the Five Acre Wood Fair next week.



## Forest School

We have certainly felt the change in the weather this week with many of us feeling very chilly in our sessions. We have done our best to keep warm by playing lots of games to keep using moving and doing physical activities such as sawing, drilling and building shelters. We have also spent some time inside to warm up. We made the most of the weather and a frosty morning by creating our own sledges and frost angels. We hope you enjoy the Christmas themed craft if the children have chosen to make one.



# PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Thank you for bringing your waste this week. Our Trash Changers of the week are Matty from Pandas and Travis from Giraffes.

Did you know that we collect your old reusable water bottles and snack pots? if they have reached their end of life or if they are broken, bring them in on Waste Wednesday so that they can be recycled and raise funding for our school.



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