



# PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Christmas continues...



Year 2 started the week off with their fabulous Christmas play. A great effort all round. Well done, Year 2.



On Wednesday evening Year 5 and 6 staff and pupils headed to St. Nicholas Church for our annual Carol Concert. This is the first time we have performed at the local church and it really

added to the atmosphere of the event. Everyone sang their hearts out. Well done, Year 5 and 6.

Our Christmas performances ended with Year 1 on Thursday afternoon - such lovely singing and dancing (including the Year 1 teachers!) Well done, Year 1.

Thank you to all the staff who have helped put these performances together and to parents for coming to support us.



Thank you for your donations on our Christmas jumper day. We raised £256.50 for our homeless project.

Well done to

everyone involved in preparing and serving our Christmas lunch this year. It was



delicious and great fun was had by all. Thank you to The Friends for their 'deconstructed crackers' so that we could reduce waste and single use plastic but all still have a Christmas hat and a cheesy joke.

## Christmas Disco

Christmas Disco for Years 3 to 6 **TONIGHT** at 6pm.

## Sharing a Book

Well, just look at our lovely children enjoying a great book and a mug of hot chocolate with their adult. We have received many wonderful messages this week regarding the new Sharing a Book. We are so pleased that you and your children are enjoying it. Don't forget to share any photos of you and your child reading either via email to the office, or Twitter using @palace\_wood Keep reading!



## Superstar Corner

Florence in Bears has just gained her first gymnastics badge.



# Alfie and Percy - Attendance and Punctuality

Percentage Attendance		No. of Lates	
Sheeran	96.27	Sheeran	30
Yarnold	95.94	Yarnold	30
Hawking	97.40	Hawking	17
Rowling	92.98	Rowling	20

Overall weekly Attendance 95.64%

## Attendance

Hawking win Alfie and Percy again this week.

## Sports News

We have had a successful couple of weeks of sport. Firstly, our boys' football teams travelled to St. James the Great Academy for some matches. *'The game started well. It only took a few seconds for Palace Wood to go 1-0 up after a half way line rocket from Oliver who was playing striker. The shot had a lot of power and, although it didn't go right into the corner, it was enough to get past the keeper. This set the tone for both matches, which finished as two wins for Palace Wood. 6-1 and 14-0. We would like to thank St. James the Great for hosting and Mr Tree and Mr Boyce for taking us.'* Levie, Lions.



On Tuesday, Years 3 and 4 took part in the Maidstone multi-skills competition. With a lot of hard work and determination, we are proud to announce that Palace Wood finished as winners of the whole tournament! Well done to our team and thank you to Miss Horne for taking the children.



## Book recommendations

**For all:** *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* by Dr. Seuss  
The Grinch is the meanest creature you will ever meet. He dislikes Christmas and the whole festive season, but when he hatches a dastardly plot to steal Christmas, he's in for a surprise...



## Clubs

Our after school clubs have finished for the term. There will be no clubs the first week back after Christmas. Clubs will recommence the week commencing January 13<sup>th</sup> 2020. There are still some spaces available and the booking system remains open.

## Dog workshops

This week, children from Years 3 to 6 all received workshops from Dogs Trust. They learnt about safety around dogs and how to be a responsible dog owner. All of the children enjoyed the workshops. Thank you to Dogs Trust for visiting.



A reminder that we break up from school next Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup>, and return **on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020**. This will be the last newsletter so from all of the staff, we would like to wish you a very **Merry Christmas**.

## Letters/Parentmails home this week:

- All      Extra-curricular clubs booking
- A Huge Thank You
- Yr4      DT
- EYFS    Christmas Parties + Years 1&2
- Oaks    Disco
- Dates for your Diary (new dates in red)**
- 13 Dec   Oaks' Christmas Disco
- 16 Dec   Carols at St Nicholas Church (children)

*INSET Days, when school is closed to children, are:  
16 April 2020, 17 April 2020, 1 June 2020*