



# Palace Wood Primary School

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You will, by now, have received our latest Ofsted report. Please make sure that you have read the **entire** report and the accompanying letter - as there is much to be proud of. The school is making very good progress and the upward trajectory continues.

### Red Nose Day



Next Friday is Comic Relief. Children are invited to wear red and a red nose of course! Donations welcome.

### Mother's Day Gifts

The Friends will be running their Mother's Day Gift Stall during the school day next Friday. It will run in the same way as Secret Santa. Gifts are £2. Please put money in a named, sealed envelope on or before Friday and give it to your child's class teacher.

### Welcome Sign

Thank you so much to the parents who helped sew our hands. An extra thanks to Mrs Harris who put it all together. Have a look in reception at our fantastic sign.

### World Book Day

As you know, yesterday was World Book Day. Well done to all the children who dressed up—everyone looked fantastic!



### Foundation Stage trip to Allington library

FS had a really fun visit to the local library. We were especially proud as three people stopped us to say what a pleasure the children were and how well they behaved. Thank you to the library for having us and to the parents who were able to help us: one wrote "the children were beautifully behaved and it was lovely to see their enthusiasm."



### Alfie the Attendance Alligator



- Rhinos 98.3%
- Hippos 99.7%**
- Tigers 98.3%
- Lions 93.3%
- Leopards 97.5%
- Panthers 97.8%
- Monkeys 95.3%
- Crocodiles 97.3%
- Pandas 97.5%
- Zebras 99.2%
- Bears 98%
- Giraffes 96.8%
- Elephants 97.6%
- Penguins 94.8%

### Superstar corner

Congratulations to **Urban in Monkeys** who took part in a rugby festival this weekend. Urban plays for Aylesford Bulls U8's team. They got to the final and came runners up—well done!



**This week's letters home (or via parentmail):**

All: Year 6 Easter School, Ofsted Report, Family Reading Nights, Sponsored Read, £1 book token

Year R: Read, Write Inc

Year 1/ 2: Read, Write Inc

Year 3/ 4:

Year 5/ 6:

**Dates for your diary: New dates are in red**

DATE CHANGE 9th—13th March Sponsored Reading event

13th March Wear red for Red Nose Day

13th March Friends' Mothers' Day Gifts

13th March Reading night- pupils + parents Oaks 6-7pm

16th March Reading night- pupils + parents Acorns 5-6pm

16th –19th March Book Fair 3:30-4

25th March 2:30pm Year 5 Musical concert

27th March Friends' Quiz Night, Oaks Hall, 7:30

30th March E-Safety Sessions Year 5/6

**30th March 2:30-3 YR to 2—Read, Write Inc presentation for parents**

7th and 8th April 10am—12:30 Year 6 SATs Easter School

**ADVANCE DATES: Friday June 26th AM—Sports Day. We will be extending sports day this year to include a family picnic afterwards (weather permitting!)**

**Saturday 30th June—Summer Fair**

**Thur 16th (2pm) and Fri 17th (7pm) July—Year 6 Production**

**Friday 22nd July—Year 6 Prom**

**Poplar Pre-school have part-time vacancy for the following post:**

**1 - Qualified Assistant (Temporary) - Wednesday & Friday**

**Term time only. 9am - 3.15pm. Starting April 2015.**

Requires NVQ/Cache qualifications, and knowledge of Early Years Foundation stage. Salary dependent on experience/qualifications.

**Closing Date -25th March, Interviews - 30th March**

All positions require a DBS check.

If you would like more information and an application form please speak visit our website

[http://www.poplarpreschool.co.uk/about\\_us/jobs](http://www.poplarpreschool.co.uk/about_us/jobs)

or speak Andrea or Samantha in the office on 01622 763638

**Read, Write, Inc**

We are delighted to announce that Palace Wood shall be using the highly successful Read Write Inc programme for the teaching and learning of phonics and literacy. In these early stages, we are planning to begin with the phonics programme from Reception to Year 2. In order for you to gain insight into what the programme involves and to support your children at home, we would like to invite parents of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to a Read Write Inc presentation on Monday 30th March in the Acorns hall from 2:30-3:00. Please complete the relevant section of the letter your child shall be taking home today and return it to your child's class teacher to confirm your attendance.

**March is Book Month!**

- **Sponsored Reading Event**—you should have received information from the Friends.
- **Family Reading Nights**—Friday 13th March 6-7pm for KS2 and Monday 16th March 5-6pm for EYFS and KS1. Children, parents and grandparents are invited to come and share a variety of children's stories read by our teachers. Hot chocolate will be served. Pyjamas and slippers are encouraged! There will be no charge for the entry or hot chocolate. Year 6 will be selling cakes for a small donation.
- **Book Fair** from 3:30—4 Mon 16th -Thurs 19th March in Oaks' hall.

**Thinking question.....**

If you could choose never to go to sleep, but never feel tired, would you?

All suggestions to Miss Ridout welcome, the best will be read in Friday's assembly. All suggestions earn 2tps.

Have a lovely weekend,  
Miss Ridout