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I can't believe that the last day of term is here! What a year it has been. I would like to thank the children for always being so friendly and happy. A huge thanks to all of the staff who have worked so hard this year. Although I have enjoyed being the Head of School, I have missed being a class based teacher and I am looking forward to teaching the new Hippos from September and working alongside Mr Chatley as Deputy Head.

Goodbyes

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Dunn and Mrs Priestley. We would like to thank Mrs Priestley for her work at Palace Wood this year and wish her well for the future. Mrs Dunn has worked at Palace Wood since 1998. She has taught half of the children here and we will miss her greatly. Thank you for everything Mrs Dunn. Good luck and enjoy your time with your grandchildren.

Alfie the Attendance Alligator

This week we celebrated children who achieved 99% or 100% attendance. Well done to the following children with 100%:

Year R: Mia Davison, Freddie Gibson, Tilly Ryan, Cameron James, Josephine Hellens

Year 1: Oliver Randall

Year 2: Chloe Ansbro, Amelia Cox, Oliver Davison, Connie Dodds, Jack Gravenell, Felicity Hellens

Year 3: Rhys Smith, Alizee Alsalman, Kai Boakes, Thomas Carpenter, Joshua Damiral, Urban Hay

Year 4: Katie Barnard, Ryan Livingston, Alyssa Gibbons

Year 5: Megan Carter, Charlie Fay, Freya Harding

Year 6: Sophie Mitchell, Kirash Pun, Ella Weston, Will Yarnton, Mia Schopman, Zoe Bishop, Lizzie Glasson and Katie Bundock

Year 2 party

The Year 2 party was a great success; the children enjoyed some dancing, pass the parcel, food and a quiz. I was extremely impressed with the behaviour of all children. Thank you to all the teachers in Acorns for organising and attending the event.

Year 6 prom

Thank you so much to the Year 6 parents for their food donations for the prom. An extra special thank you must go to Mrs Pun, Mrs Watts, Mr Mitchell and Mrs Gibbons who worked tirelessly with me setting up the hall on Wednesday afternoon. Thank you to Mr O'Neil for taking photos of the prom. I'd also like to thank him for filming the production and kindly giving a DVD to each child.

All of the children looked lovely as they arrived for our fun filled evening. A great night was had by all. Yesterday we finished with a lovely afternoon picnic and the children received their year books.



Superstar corner

Congratulations to **Annalise in Panthers** who passed her Grade 1 Piano exam with merit.

Well done to cousins **William in Zebras and James in Bears** for completing their 50m and 100m swimming badges respectively.

Well done to **Megan in Lions** who gained her deputy black belt. A three hour grading with lots of fitness, 90 press ups and sit ups and a mega amount of star jumps as well as sparring and kick boxing skills. Wow!



This week's letters home

(or via parentmail):

All: parking, non-uniform, end of term newsletters

Year R:

Year 1/2:

Year 3/4/5:

Year 6:

Dates for your diary: New dates are in red

Fri 4th September—Office closed until midday

Mon 7th September—first day back

2015-2016 Inset Days

3 & 4 September

2nd November

4th January

6th June

Foundation stage

Foundation stage have had a lovely final week. They visited the local park and held a country dancing morning. Thanks to all the adults who were able to come.



Thinking question.....

From Mina in Crocodiles

How can crocodiles stop and turn?

All suggestions to Miss Ridout, 2tps an entry.

Sport News

Staff vs Year 6 Netball Match

On Monday, the Year 6 mixed teams played a match against the Year 5 and 6 staff. In true Palace Wood style, the game was played in good spirits and everybody involved had a good time. The first game was won by the children 5-3 and the second game by the staff 3-0. Well done to all the children who took part; they seemed completely unphased by playing the staff and rose greatly to the occasion. Thank you to the staff who took part.

End of Palace Wood awards

Last year we introduced awards for our Year 6 leavers. These are trophies that are taken home by the winner for the year and returned to us the following July. I would like to congratulate the following children on their success....

Maths cup—Charlotte Watts

English cup—Jessica Cotton

Effort cup—Phoebe Ells

Achievement cup—Lizzie Glasson

Sports cups- George Forster and Ella Weston

Friendship cup—Mona Ale

Palace Wood Ambassador—Freddie Humphries



I'd like to thank all of Year 6 for being such a fantastic year group. They have been a pleasure to work with and have continuously made me proud. Good luck at your new schools—we know that with your positive attitude you will all do well.

Have a fantastic summer holidays,
See you in September,
Miss Ridout