

PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Eco Award

As you may be aware, the school has won an award from the KM Charity Team - part of the Kent Messenger newspaper group, for Best Energy and Conservation, out of all the schools in Maidstone.

I was lucky enough to accompany Mrs Kyte and 3 children to go and collect the award at a special presentation ceremony in Ashford. I felt extremely proud of the children as they looked very smart and behaved beautifully.

Simon Dolby from the KM Charity Team praised the school on the projects that we have started and we are looking at new ways to make the school even more Green and environment friendly.

Mrs Emmerson



Bring your rubbish to school

We are very excited by our new 'green' initiative. You will notice after half-term three coloured bins appearing in the car parks on both sites. These are part of a recycling scheme we have signed up to run by Terracycle uk. Follow the link to read more about their schemes.

<https://www.terracycle.co.uk/en-GB/brigades>

They will be for: empty individual crisp packets and multi pack bags of any brand; empty cake bar and biscuit bar wrappers including outer multi pack sleeves (any brand) and baby food pouches - Ella style but any brand.

We are asking you as parents and the wider community to place your wrappers and clean pouches into the correct bins (they will be labelled). We will be packaging them up and sending them away for recycling. We can collect points to redeem either for the school or for charities. As these are currently going into landfill sites we hope you agree this is a fantastic opportunity to help the environment.

Coupled with this, we will be asking the children to recycle their rubbish in school in a similar way. You might notice a reduction in rubbish coming home. Be rest assured only non-food waste will be recycled from packed lunches enabling you to still see if your children have left any food.

We hope you are as excited as us to embark on such a scheme.



Superstar Corner

Eliana (Year 5 Lions) was proud to be the flag bearer for 2nd Allington Brownies at the colour parade at St Nicholas Church last Sunday. Congratulations to Chloe from Rhinos for gaining her brown belt in karate (3rd kyu). Charlotte in Zebras received her pot of gold badge from Rainbows as she is leaving to become a Brownie.

Alfie and Percy - Attendance and Punctuality

Percentage Attendance		Number of Lates	
Sheeran	96.54%	Sheeran	9
Yarnold	94.06%	Yarnold	6
Hawking	94.07%	Hawking	4
Rowling	94.65%	Rowling	5

Overall weekly Attendance - 94.83%

Attendance

Attendance this week is won by **Sheeran**, and punctuality by **Hawking**.

Buster's Book Club

Well, what a week for Buster Book Club. The children have done an amazing job this week with 286 of our children reading and 238 of our children exceeding their reading target. Fantastic job Palace Wood!

Tigers came out top this week, exceeding their reading minutes by 1112 minutes and they also had the most children reading with 27 out of 30 children completing their reading target.

Fingers crossed that we win a visit from Brenda Blethyn - we will keep you informed.

Thank you for helping your children achieve their reading targets!

Mrs Nolan

Consultations

The parentmail booking system for consultations will go live at 12 o'clock on Monday 25th February. If you have any difficulty with this please email office@palacewood.kent.sch.uk.

Friends of Palace Wood

The Friends would like any unwanted Christmas gifts so that they can be used for future fundraising events.

And finally

Have a fantastic half term. See everyone back on Monday 25th February!

Have a great weekend!

Mr Chatley

Letters home this week:

Yr5 girls	MGGs information
Yr3	Swimming, Term 4
Oaks	Art Club
All	KCC Fostering Information
Tigers	Thanks

Dates for your Diary (new dates in red)

18-22 Feb	School Holidays
Thu 28 Feb	3:30 Friends' Mtg Rainbow Room
Tues 5 March	KS2 SATs Mtg Oaks' Hall
Wed 6 Mar	KS1 Reading Workshop
Thu 7 Mar	World Book Day
	Reading Evening
Weds 13 Mar	Parent/Teacher Consultations
Thurs 14 Mar	Parent/Teacher Consultations
Fri 15 Mar	Red Nose Day
25-28 March	Book Fair in Oaks
Weds 27 Mar	Year 3 Easter Performance
8-22 April	Easter Holidays