

# PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Another week has flown by and, although the weather seemed to take a bit of a turn, it didn't slow us down!

On Monday we had Hotshotz Tennis in all day working with our children, giving them a flavour for tennis. Such good timing with Wimbledon just around the corner.

Also this week, children in Year 1 have been taking their statutory phonics check. The children were so focused during this process and all gave it their best, which is all we can ask for!

The next few weeks are so action packed that it will feel like our feet won't even touch the ground! Please keep an eye on the newsletter, website, twitter and ParentMail for updates so that nothing gets missed!

## Sports Day

Weather permitting, next Friday will be Sports Day. This is always a fantastic experience for the children. Following our own evaluation of last year and feedback from you, we have made a few changes to how the day will run. Details of the day have been circulated already. We do ask that, in the interests of the children's safety, you adhere to the guidance and follow instructions of staff on the day to ensure everything can run smoothly.

## Growth Mindset Week

As you know by now, one of our biggest drivers in school is Growth Mindset. We have been working on this for a few years now and it is really becoming part of the culture at the school. It is so lovely to hear how the children talk about ideas like perseverance, hard work, practice and challenge. They have developed a much deeper understanding of how we can all grow our brain muscles!

Last year, we had Growth Mindset Week – a week where we all tried new things. It was such a success that we will be doing it again this year, in the week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> June. Next week, a Growth Mindset newsletter will be coming out with information about the week, what the children will be doing and any opportunities for you to get involved.

## Cricket Report

Last week, girls and boys from Key Stage One played in a rapid fire cricket festival. Rapid fire is a simpler version of cricket, played without bowlers. The children all had tremendous fun throwing, catching, batting and running. I hope that this will develop into a passion for cricket. I would like to give a special thank you to the parents; these events cannot run without your support. Don't forget to tune in to the cricket world cup, which is running until the 14<sup>th</sup> of July. Highlights can be found at [www.bbc.co.uk/sport/cricket](http://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/cricket)



## Superstar Corner

Tom (Tigers) was awarded Parents Player and Player of the Year by his football team, K Sports Colts U10's.

Scott received his first level certificate and laces in freestyle gymnastics.

## Alfie and Percy - Attendance and Punctuality

Percentage Attendance		No. of Lates	
Sheeran	91.04	Sheeran	10
Yarnold	96.06	Yarnold	8
<u>Hawking</u>	<u>96.17</u>	Hawking	8
Rowling	95.98	<u>Rowling</u>	7

☹️☹️ Overall weekly Attendance 94.81% ☹️☹️

### Attendance

This week Hawking win Alfie, and Rowling win Percy.

Over the last few weeks, we have seen that attendance has not been very good. We appreciate that there are reasons for absence, but please can we remind you all that holidays should not be taken in term time, and that, wherever possible, medical appointments should be made for outside of school hours.

### Breakfast and After School Club

Thank you to those who have completed the survey on Breakfast and After School Club. If you would like to share your views on how we can make this a great service, please can you complete the survey by Friday 21<sup>st</sup>.

### Friends Update

Also, don't forget the Summer Festival on 29<sup>th</sup> June. Combining all of your favourite things from the School Fair and Palace Woodstock, this promises to be an event not to be missed!

### Parking

I know that I seem to put this in the newsletter every week, but please can you make sure that you are parking and driving considerately. I have had two parents talk to me this week to report that inappropriate language was used and that a child was nearly knocked over due to erratic driving. The weather should be improving, so please consider walking to school wherever possible. If you have to drive, please make sure you have parked appropriately, allowing plenty of room for residents and pedestrians to go about their business.

### Backpacks

School backpacks are now available in navy blue! They cost £10 and are available for Year 1 and above, online or via Oaks' Office.

### And finally

The weather over the weekend looks like it may have settled a little. Why not take the opportunity to get out and about? Mrs Chatley, Arthur and I have been getting into our cycling, so I think another bike ride could be on the cards for us.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Chatley

### **Letters home this week:**

All	Breakfast & After School Club Questionnaire Sports Day 2019
Yr6	Year 6 End of Year Party Secondary Schools
Yr5/6	Cricket Club Cancelled
Yr5	Swimming Data
Yr2	Wingham Wildlife Trip

### Dates for your Diary (**new dates in red**)

18 June	Year 6 First Aid Year R to Rare Breeds
21 June	Sports Day
<b>24 June</b>	<b>Growth Mindset Week</b>
27 June	Meeting for new parents (6pm)
28 June	Yr6 to Kent Police Open Day
29 June	Summer Festival
1 July	Year 2 Trip to Wingham
(2 July	Reserve Sports Day)
3 July	Year 1 Trip to Port Lymgne
4 July	Summer Reading Event
5 July	Reports to Parents Oaks Disco 6.30-8.00 pm
11 July	Transition Day Book Look
15 July	Year 6 Production (2.00)
16 July	Year 6 Production (6.00)
18 July	Year 2 Party (3.30-5.00) Year 6 Party (6.00-7.30)
19 July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (2.45)

**(NO CLUBS WILL RUN DURING THE LAST WEEK OF TERM 15-19 JULY)**