



# PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Courage, Curiosity, Challenge, Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today, in school, the Christmas Fair has been a great success and I would like to say a very big thank you to the Friends of Palace Wood for their hard work in setting it up, being here all day to man stalls and clearing away at the end of the day. Their hard work was definitely appreciated as all the children had a fantastic time and really enjoyed visiting the different areas. Thank you to all of you for your support in donating chocolate and teddies, as well as sending your children into school with money to spend.

I am aware that there were some parents who were concerned that the fair was going ahead in the current climate. I would like to reassure parents that we currently have very few covid cases in school and we are risk assessing every event to try and avoid spreading any infection. However, if you decide that you do not want your child to be part of one of the Christmas events next week do let me know and we can make alternative arrangements.

In regards to covid precautions, although the new guidance from the DfE has not stipulated the wearing of masks in the playground, during drop off and pick up, we are asking that parents and carers are sensible and we are encouraging everyone to wear masks.

Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Cairns



Greatness Gallery

Alfred in Elephants

Olivia in Crocodiles

Noah in Panthers

Julia M in Tiges

Olivia in Hippos

Well done everyone your work looks fantastic.





## Children who have shown courage and bravery this week

Penguins - Arnie  
Elephants - Harry F  
Giraffes - The whole class  
Bears - The whole class  
Zebras - Idris  
Pandas - Moyen  
Monkeys - Thomas  
Crocodiles - Lily  
Panthers - Reuben  
Leopards - Mudasir  
Tigers - Zachary W  
Lions - Nyree  
Rhinos - Evie  
Hippos - Harris and Ethan





## SUPERSTAR CORNER



Lucas and Sammy from Monkeys passed their gradings in Taekwondo and got their yellow and green stripe belts at the weekend.



Amelia in Crocodiles and Chloe in Giraffes both graded for Taekwondo this week. Green stripe for Amelia and Yellow belt for Chloe.



Lola in Bears, Jessica and Ruby in Giraffes, all performed in their first dance show this week and showed so much bravery and courage, they were all so nervous, but all 3 received a certificate of achievement and a full round of applause.



Lucia in Monkeys was awarded her 50 metre swimming badge yesterday. She was incredibly proud of herself for managing to swim 2 lengths of the



pool!





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## Reminders and Updates

- Remember, if you wish your child to bring in their mobile phone please contact Mrs Cairns in writing
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## Dates for the diary

DATE	EVENT
13TH DECEMBER 2021	YEAR 2 CAROL CONCERT
14TH DECEMBER 2021	YEAR 2 CAROL CONCERT
14TH DECEMBER 2021	EYFS CHRISTMAS SONGS TO PENGUINS PARENTS
15TH DECEMBER 2021	EYFS CHRISTMAS SONGS TO ELEPHANTS PARENTS
15TH DECEMBER 2021	CHRISTMAS DINNER AND CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY
16TH DECEMBER 2021	PANTO FOR YEARS 1, 2 AND 3
17TH DECEMBER 2021	PJ DAY FOR RONALD MCDONALD CHARITY
17TH DECEMBER 2021	LAST DAY OF TERM





## EYFS



This week in EYFS the children have been working so hard to learn all the songs for our carol concert next week. We have been fully emerged in all things Christmas from wrapping our own gifts in the grotto, to making and decorating Christmas crowns.



## YEAR 1



### Year One – Bears and Giraffes

This week year 1 did two fantastic performances of our Christmas play, The Ten Days of Christmas. The children showed great courage and confidence on the stage and wowed us with their clear voices and beautiful singing. We would like to thank all of the parents for providing such wonderful costumes for the children!



## YEAR 2



This week in Maths Year 2 having been having fun sharing cubes into equal groups and then writing division number sentences to record what they have done.





## YEAR 3



This week in maths we have been learning our 3 and 4 times tables. We have discussed tricks to remember these! In English we have been really working on deepening the moment and memorising what our lenses mean. In science we created menus aimed at the different diets e.g. vegetarians, pescatarians. In geography we discussed what the features of a city are including transportation and industry. In DT we reviewed the process of making our frames and how we could do it better next time. For ERIC we have started a new book called 'Sam Wu is not afraid of ghosts' and going over what explain, retrieve, interpret mean when we are using them for comprehension.

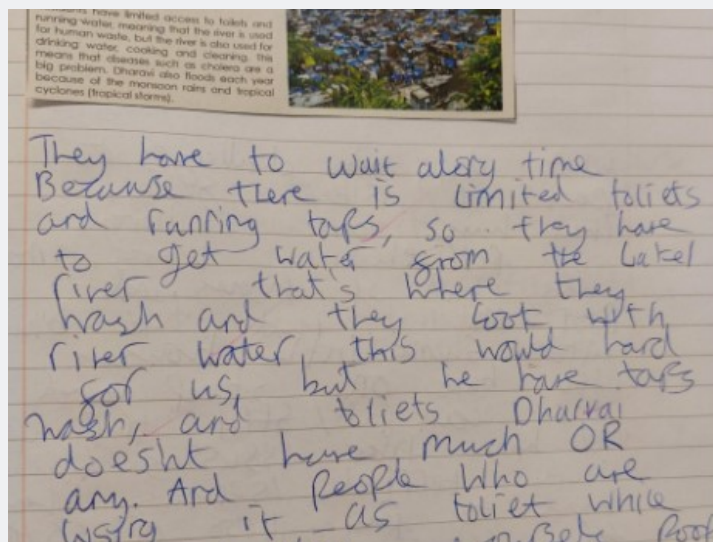


## YEAR 4

This week in Year 4 we had fun making our Quiches in D.T. We used a variety of diverse ingredients such as peppers, rice, sausage, ham, bacon and cheese for our fillings. We then evaluated our quiches and gave them a 5\* review! In Geography this week, we have been finding out what a refugee is and real life stories of how refugees have relocated to the U.K



## YEAR 5



In Geography we have been learning about the challenges people who live in slums face and how different their lives can be to ours. We talked about how having no water pipes can affect how you wash and cook in your home. The children were disgusted to find out that in one slum they have no running water and or toilets. In that slum they have to get water from the river ( but that is also where they go to the toilet). We also learned that if your house is not built properly, it won't keep you safe! It was quite an astounding lesson!





## YEAR 6



This term, Year 6 have been studying the architecture of well-known buildings and those more commonly seen. They then drew floor plans of their dream homes and, this week, Hippos have used the modelling tools on Purple Mash to create 3-dimensional versions of those plans.

The Journey to Bethlehem walk was another highlight and involved meeting and talking to those involved in the Christmas story. Rhinos were relieved to not actually be walking all the way to Bethlehem!

Both classes also thoroughly enjoyed seeing the local pantomime and were very impressed by the skills of the actors and dancers, particularly of those they knew





## **NUMBOTS**

William A (Panthers)

Alexander V (Bears)

Alexander F (Giraffes)



## This week's always children:

Penguins	Freddie	Crocodiles	Freddie
Elephants	Harrison	Panthers	Ali
Giraffes	N/A	Leopards	Lucas
Bears	N/A	Tigers	Emily Rose
Zebras	Emilia	Lions	Freddie N
Pandas	Larna	Hippos	Hazel
Monkeys	Frank	Rhinos	Maddison

## Most House points this week:

# Yarnold

## Times table rock stars

- Paris D (Panthers)
- Freddie N (Lions)
- Isabella C (Lions)

At Palace Wood we:

**G**ive it our best  
**R**espect one another  
**O**vercome obstacles  
**W**ork together

This weeks attendance is

**96.08%**

