



# PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Courage Curiosity Challenge Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been a busy week and has flown by. It has been lovely to start seeing and feeling the spring sunshine and for the children to begin using the field again during lunchtime and PE. The hard work by Mrs Rose is starting to pay off as the garden, by the outside classroom, is now full of spring flowers.

Our new EYFS outside area is nearly complete and we are hoping that the children will be able to use it on Monday. Thank you for your patience while the work has taken place. Penguins, on Monday morning please continue to line up on the playground by Elephants, as you have done this week. From Tuesday you will be able to go in through your normal door.

Thank you to all the parents that attended one of our parent evening events this week. My apologies that the virtual evening did not go quite as planned - the technology caused us a few issues! If you did not get the time you needed, to discuss you child's progress, please let the class teacher know and they will arrange another time for you to meet. The face to face meeting went much more smoothly and it was lovely to welcome parents back on site.

A reminder that the parent forum meeting is on Tuesday 29th March at 2pm. Please let me know if you are interested in joining the chat. Everyone is welcome. Next Friday is our kindness ripple day as well as Red Nose day. Children may come dressed in their own clothes and we are asking for donations of toiletries and baby equipment for the church and the Ukrainian refugees. There will also be buckets on both playgrounds if you wish to make a donation to Comic Relief. More information will be sent on Monday about the type of items you may wish to donate.

With best wishes,

Mrs Cairns

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## Reminders and Updates

### Open afternoons

Now we can open our doors a bit more, we would love for you to come in and see your child's learning and classrooms. We have allocated a 20-minute slot per year group. We have tried to spread these out to avoid too many sibling clashes. If you cannot make the date and time below, speak to your child's class teacher and arrange another suitable time please. Please see below for the date and times for this:

EYFS	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	3.10-3.30
Year 1	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	3.00-3.20
Year 2	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	3.00-3.20
Year 3	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	3.00-3.20
Year 4	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	3.10-3.30
Year 5	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	3.00-3.20
Year 6	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	3.10-3.30

## Dates for the diary

Date	Event
9th-18th March	Travelling Book Fair
Week beg 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Mock SATs week
Friday 18th March	Kindness Ripple Day
Friday 18th March	Comic Relief

Other information you may be interested in:

For all dates for the coming year please check the school calendar on our website

[Palace Wood Primary School - Home \(palacewoodschools.org.uk\)](http://palacewoodschools.org.uk)



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Children who have been compassionate pupils this week



Elephants

Fred

Penguins

William

Giraffes

Ruby

Bears

Nelly

Pandas

Larna

Zebras

Glorious

Crocodiles

Finley

Monkeys

Keelan

Leopards

Evelyn

Panthers

Ethan

Tigers

Aisha

Lions

Nyree

Rhinos

Kateko

Hippos

Daniel





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Mr Best will be climbing Mount Snowdon with his son, Daniel on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. They are aiming to do this for Eden Reforestation Projects which is a US based charity planting an average of 20,000,000 trees a month across the world.



Averting climate change is a cause very dear to them and he hopes that you will be able to support them by donating to their Just Giving site which can be found via the following link: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mark-best11>



We look forward to hearing all about it when they have completed it. What a fabulous cause. Good Luck!





## SUPERSTAR CORNER



As you  
can see  
out  
library is  
taking  
shape.

Thank you  
Mrs  
Lembo.  
You are so  
talented!





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## This week’s always children:

Elephants	Dumebi	Crocodiles	Stanley
Penguins	Zachary	Leopards	Caden
Bears	Sophie	Panthers	Max
Giraffes	Oscar	Lions	Estelle
Pandas	Moyin	Tigers	Mason
Zebras	Kairi	Hippos	Nikola
Monkeys	Ed	Rhinos	Bobbi-May

### Times table Rock Stars

Amelia (Lions)

Natalia (Panthers)

Olivia S (Hippos)

For biggest increase in coins earned

### Numbots of the week

Joshua T (Bears)

Cecilia (Zebras)

Carter (Bears)

For biggest increase in levels passed

### Greatness Gallery

Bears - Scott

Giraffes – Jessica

Pandas – Elijah

Panthers- Henry

Lions - Eva

Hippos - Hena

**Team Point Winners  
Yarnold**

**This weeks  
attendance is 89.8%**



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## EYFS

We have had an extremely exciting week in EYFS. We extended our topic of 'Habitats', to look at 'Dinosaurs'. We had a fantastic visit from Maidstone Museum, where we made fossil rubbings, drew huge dinosaur fossils and learnt how a fossil is formed. Our parent consultations meant we could share with you, all the fantastic learning the children have been doing since they joined us. It was lovely to finally be able to see so many of you in person.



## YEAR 1



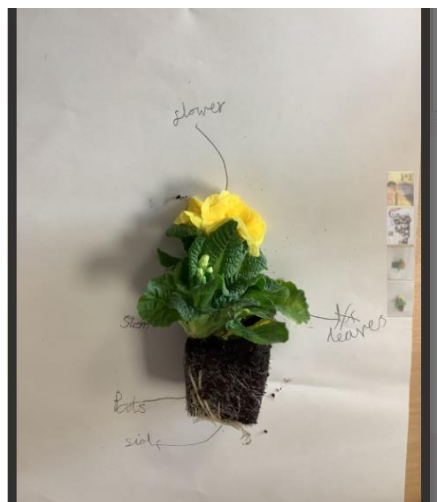
This week in Year 1 we have been comparing height and lengths of objects using the terms taller than and shorter than. We have also been measuring with non standard units such as cubes. Next week we will be beginning to use rulers to measure with so if you can practice using one over the weekend with your grown up that would be great!





## YEAR 2

This week during science year 2 have been continuing with our plant topic by examining and labelling the parts of flowering plants and trees in our local environment. We have also been keeping a bean diary as a record of how much our broad beans that we planted in different conditions are growing.



## YEAR 3



This week, in year 3, we have been beginning a new text, 'My Strong Mind'. In maths, we have began looking at statistics. In science, we have been trying out different experiments to observe how water moves through plants. In DT we have even started trying a back stitch!

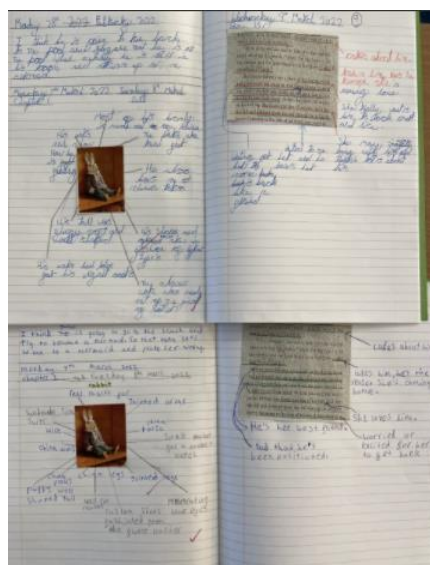




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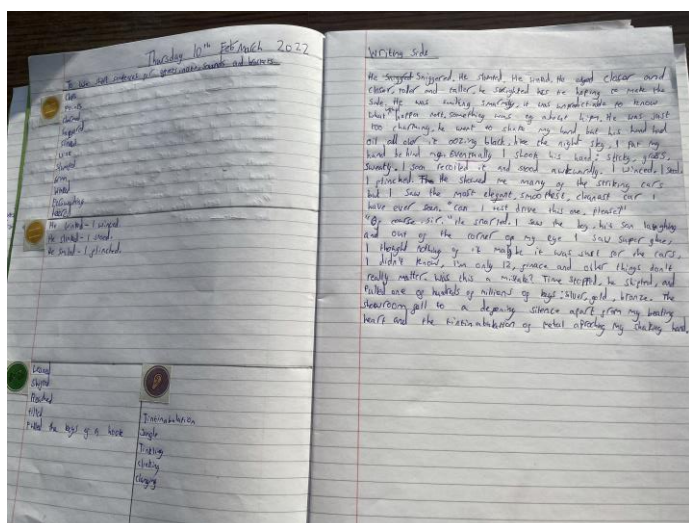
## YEAR 4

This week Year 4 have enjoyed exploring our new novel study text 'The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane.' We have been working on our reading aloud and thinking about using clues in the text to decide what is happening. We have loved learning new words and phrases. Our particular favourite was 'full of ennui'.'



## YEAR 5

This week Year 5 have been producing some writing based on the story Cosmic. The children have focused on complex sentences and the characters inner thoughts. Year 5 are becoming more confident at deepening the moment (adding detail) to their writing.





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## YEAR 6

This week, Year 6 have been working on volume in maths, including solving some very tricky problems. We have also started gathering information about WW1 and, where appropriate, linking it to current events. Curiosity, compassion and challenge have abounded in these lessons, and we have been amazed by the courage others have shown in very difficult situations. In Art, we have been creating our own pieces in the style of different artists, including Wassily Kandinsky and Frida Kahlo.



At Palace Wood we:

**G**ive it our best

**R**espect one another

**O**vercome obstacles

**W**ork together



# Waste Wednesday Update

Well done everyone, we have already collected 3.6kg of waste in March.

Giraffes class did amazing collecting the most amount of bread bags this week.

A parcel of bread bags will be sent to Terracycle next week, therefore, if you have any of those, bring them in school next Wednesday so that we can include them.

We are almost ready to send a parcel of Ferrero Rocher packaging so don't forget to bring those in. This includes the transparent boxes, the trays and the golden foil wrappings.

Don't forget to keep your kinder plastic packaging and yellow eggs. If you are thinking of disarding the little kinder toys, we can also include those to be recycled.

