

PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Courage Curiosity Challenge Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know, this week we have had an inspector, from Ofsted, in school for two days. Unfortunately, I am unable to share any outcomes from the inspection with you at this stage. His report has to be checked and quality assured before it can be shared with the school community. As soon as I have the final report I will send to parents and carers via email.

Thank you to all those parents who were able to complete the Ofsted parent survey.

Next week, we have a number of events for parents to attend if they wish. There are two phonics and reading presentations for EYFS parents. Mrs Childs will be sharing information on the phonics programme we use in school and how you can best support your child with early reading skills at home. You may attend either session and there is no need to book - come to Oaks Hall at the time that is most convenient to you.

There is also the opportunity to have a coffee and a chat with the Senior Leadership Team on Thursday 22nd. This will be from 9am and in Oaks Hall. We have two new senior leaders, Mr Joe Burnett and Mrs Chloe Chidley, and we thought it would be a chance for parents to put a name to a face. We look forward to seeing you there.

Best wishes,

Mrs Cairns





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Reminders and Updates

Please ensure you detail any absence on studybugs.

Dates for the diary

Date	Event
Tuesday 20th	EYFS phonics and reading presentation 2-3pm
Wednesday 21st	EYFS phonics and reading presentation 5-6pm
Thursday 22nd	Coffee and a chat with SLT 9am

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

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

This week's always children:

Elephants	Noah	Crocodiles	
Penguins	Jack	Panthers	Megan
Bears	Isaac	Leopards	Sophia
Giraffes	Travis	Tigers	Finley
Pandas	Cameron	Lions	Freddie
Zebras	Alexander V	Hippos	Ava
Monkeys	Bella	Rhinos	Mason

Times table Rock Stars

Henry S (Rhinos)
Molly P (Rhinos)
Milaya D (Lions)
For biggest increase in coins

Numbots of the week

Liam D (Pandas)
Leiland (Zebras)
Danny A (Pandas)
For biggest increase in levels

Greatness Gallery

Bears – Harry H
Zebras – Seb
Panthers- Ethan
Rhinos- Theo
Giraffes- Meyrem

**House-point
Winners
Hawking!**

**This week's
attendance is 94.4%**





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Children who have shown one of our values this week



Elephants

Penguins

Giraffes

Bears

Pandas

Zebras

Crocodiles

Monkeys

Leopards

Panthers

Tigers

Lions

Rhinos

Hippos

Lyla and Teddy

Oliver and Frankie

Riley and Chloe

Sophie and Lola W

Arijus and Daniella

Oliver and Wisdom

Nylah and Louie

Elsa and Oscar

Alice W and Ali

Theo and Aisha

Louie and Nyree



SUPERSTAR CORNER



Teddy was invested as a Beaver earlier this week. Well done! You look very smart in your uniform.



Benjamin received the Chief Scout Bronze award at his last Beaver meeting. It is the highest award given at Beavers and has taken two years to earn.

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Sammy in Panthers finally got her certificate for completing stage 5 swimming which she completed in June. Well done!



Tommy successfully completed the library summer reading challenge - 'Gadgeteers!' He is waving his medal and certificate in celebration! It looks like lots of other children have enjoyed doing it too!



EYFS

Penguins and Elephants have had a fantastic first full week at school! We have been learning about our feelings through the story of "The Colour Monster" and talking about when we have felt happy, sad, angry or scared. We have made a great start to our phonics lessons and have enjoyed lots of counting in maths! Everybody enjoyed their first forest school session too, what a busy week!



YEAR 1



This week Year 1 have been learning about pulse and rhythm. We have been clapping the rhythm to our names and different tunes. We then applied this learning in our choosing time and used the instruments to continue exploring this.





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YEAR 2

This term in PE we are very lucky as Coach Kai from Team Theme is teaching us some new PE skills. We have already learnt how to dribble and pass a ball with our feet. Each week we are challenged to develop our determination and techniques in order to be awarded a certificate for 'Star Player'.



YEAR 3

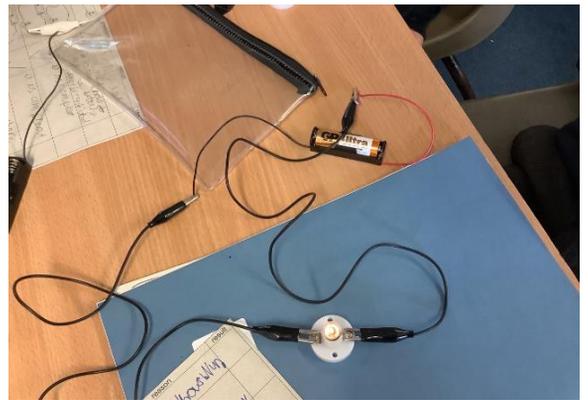


This week we began with a trip to Forest school making lots of interesting things out of what we found. We began working on our termly book of 'The Stone Age'.

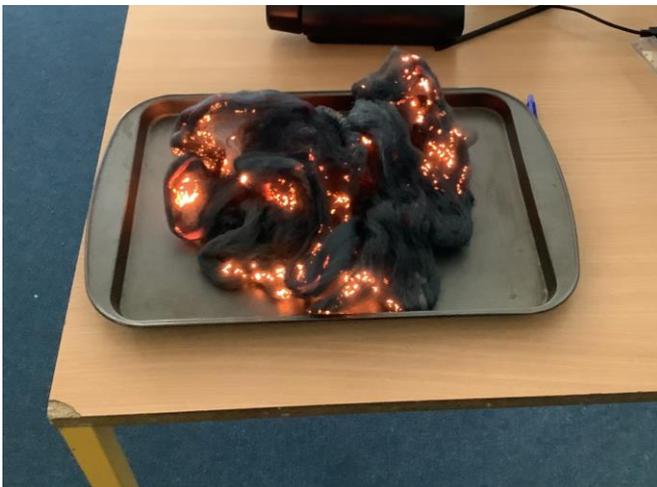


YEAR 4

This week, Year 4 have been learning simple electrical circuits. We made circuit which lit a bulb, worked a motor and sounded a buzzer. We experimented to find out what happens if a circuit is not complete and what complete ones look like. It was a real **lightbulb** moment!!



YEAR 5



This week, year 5 have been looking at the properties of materials. In our lessons we categorised them and then tested our theories. We tested whether certain objects would conduct electricity. We then had some fun experimenting with wire wool.



YEAR 6

In maths this week, the children have continued learning about place value and have moved onto rounding. Year 6 have been learning about the human body in Science this week with a particular focus on the circulatory system and the heart. They created a piece of drama showing what happens inside the body and enjoyed sharing these with each other.



Five Acre Wood

At Palace Wood we:

Give it our best
Respect one another
Overcome obstacles
Work together





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Forest School

This week the children have enjoyed den building and making friendship bracelets. Some children learnt how to use secateurs to make dogs from sticks and had great fun showing their dogs the forest school area. We also used mud and water to make our own face paint!



