

PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 2
16th December 2022

Courage Curiosity Challenge Compassion

Dear parents and carers,

Today has been a great end to the term. The Year 1 Nativity was a wonderful Christmassy end to the year and the children were fantastic at signing the songs and remembering their lines. This afternoon the younger children have watched a pantomime and judging by the laughter and shouts of 'it's behind you' they thoroughly enjoyed it.

The next page of the newsletter is a celebration of the children who have consistently showed our 4 values of curiosity, challenge, courage and compassion across the term. Two children, from each class, were identified by their class teacher. They both received a mention during our celebration assembly yesterday and will be coming home with a certificate explaining why they were chosen. Well done to all those children chosen, they have been a pleasure to have in class and should be very proud of what they have achieved since the start of the year in September. Thank you for all the very kind donations you have made towards the church food bank. Fiona collected them this morning and has asked me to pass on the church's thanks for your generosity. This will help many families in the coming weeks.



Lastly, I want to wish all our families a wonderful Christmas and New Year and hope that you all enjoy the break. I would also like to thank you all for your support and kindness over the last term.

With warmest wishes
Mrs Cairns



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Children who have shown our 4 values consistently since September



Elephants

Penguins

Giraffes

Bears

Pandas

Zebras

Crocodiles

Monkeys

Leopards

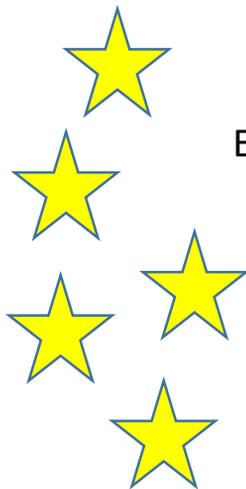
Panthers

Tigers

Lions

Rhinos

Hippos



Emily and Rory

Bella-May and Aidan

Jessica and Travis

Eva, Harry T, Isaac and Rosie

Hannah and George

Skylar and Leiland

Glorious and Thomas

Anvika and Moyin

Ambia and Amelia

Lucia and Amelia

Finley and Erin

Milaya and Alice

Emily and Lewis

Nyree and Zach



This week's always children:

Elephants	Daisy	Crocodiles	Kairi
Penguins	Amelie	Panthers	Mofe
Bears		Leopards	Elena (Nov) Sophia
Giraffes	Jessica	Tigers	Bella
Pandas	Alana C	Lions	Milaya
Zebras	Skylar and Leiland	Hippos	Holly
Monkeys	Daniella	Rhinos	Aisha

Times table Rock Stars

Sebastian D (Crocodiles)

Stanley S (Leopards)

Olivia H (Leopards)

For biggest increase in accuracy

Numbots of the week

Niamh HW (Giraffes)

Isaac T (Giraffes)

Oliver G (Giraffes)

For biggest increase in coins

Greatness Gallery

All of Penguins and Elephants

Pandas – Max and Chloe

All of Bears and Giraffes

Leopards– Madison

**Housepoint winners
for terms 1 and 2
Rowling**

**This week's
attendance is 86%**





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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

Kian and Emily

Bella-May and Aidan

Sid and Jacob

Bethany and Max

Skylar and Leiland

Lexi and Logan

Clayton and Albie

Jarvis and Sandra

Alessia and Amelia

Isabelle and Robin

Daniel and Suli

Emily and Lewis

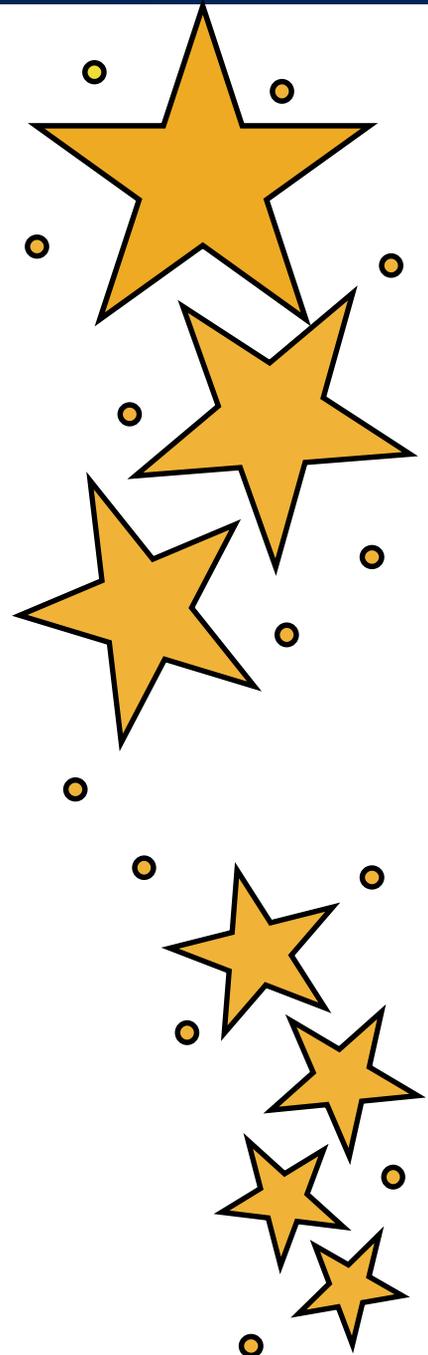
Nyree and Zach



SUPERSTAR CORNER



Teddy got his yellow belt in Taekwondo over the weekend. Its a real challenge for Teddy to learn the patterns and follow the structure of the lessons so we are really proud that he achieved it.



EYFS

We have had a busy but fun week in EYFS! The snow caused lots of excitement and we all had fun playing in it together. Penguins and Elephants have worked hard designing and creating Christmas cards independently, and had a go at writing their names inside. We made crowns and place mats for our Christmas dinner day too! We finished the week with our amazing Christmas singing performance. Merry Christmas!



YEAR 1



YEAR 2

This week Year 2 have finished building their wheelbarrows in design and technology. If they have not done so already, they will use their wheelbarrows to collect items around the school using a map. They will then transport the items back to our site manager, Mr Gibson. We have also been finishing off our work on our current key text, 'The Tear Thief'. The children have produced some lovely diary entries focusing on emotions. In addition to this, we have been getting very festive in preparation for the Christmas holidays.



YEAR 3



This week we have been learning about main clauses and subordinate clauses in our English. In maths we have discussed the difference between sharing and grouping. We have really enjoyed the run up to christmas!



YEAR 4

Our final week of swimming this year was fantastic fun. Not only did we all do a tremendous rendition of Feliz Navidad for our swimming teachers, but we also got to play together in the pool with all our friends. We used floats, went on the mini slides and got to enjoy the water. We really made a splash!



YEAR 5



This week we have had so much fun in the snow! We have built snow angels, built snowmen and had snowball fights. We have made adverts to encourage people to think of others over the festive period and solved some tricky Christmas Maths.



YEAR 6

Year 6 have had a good final week of Term 2! The work has continued as the children have finished their science and history topics, learning all about child labour before and during the Industrial Revolution. The children feel very lucky that they weren't born in that era!

Although the work has continued, there has been plenty of time for enjoying the snow too! There were many creating including igloos, snow ducks and mini snowmen. Have a lovely Christmas!



Five Acre Wood



Whale Class have enjoyed playing in the snow, singing at the Palace Wood carol service in the hall and their class Christmas party! We wish everybody at Palace Wood a very happy Christmas.





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Forest School

We have had a very different week at Forest School this week as the exceptionally cold weather has meant we have significantly adapted our usual sessions. We have spent a little time outside, enjoying the snow although it was not good snowman building snow. We have also enjoyed hot chocolate indoors and completing other indoor activities. We hope that you made the most of the snow on Monday and Tuesday!



