

The Palmer Academy Weekly Round-up



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Note from the Headteacher

It makes us all very proud when we hear about the successes of former pupils. I was forwarded, by Miss Druce, a letter sent by a former pupil (now in Year 7) to pupils new to the secondary school. Godfrey, always a wise young man, gives anyone concerned about that transition from primary to secondary the following advice:

"I know you are feeling nervous about going to secondary school, I did as well but [the] school welcomed me in and showed me that secondary school is not as scary as you think....

My top transition tips to you are:- just don't overthink it and remember that transition is going to be a big part of your life - you will have so many good memories about it in the future. Surround yourself with the people you like and who are of similar interests to you....

You will have a wonderful transition." Godfrey, former pupil, in Year 7

So, wherever you are in your transition journey, whether arriving at the school, within the school or transitioning out of the school, be like Godfrey and just enjoy it!

Have a lovely weekend!

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Just a Reminder

Please continue to wear a face covering when on the school site, to continue to stick to the one-way system, even if there is not a member of staff actually present at the gate and also to continue to socially distance whilst dropping off and picking up your children. The main school gates are left open at the moment in order for pedestrians to follow the one-way system please DO NOT drive in and park up to collect your child.

Parking

Please park responsibly when dropping off and picking up your child. Please do not park in the private road in Scholars Place. The residents are finding it difficult to get out of the car park due to cars obstructing the entrance. Many Thanks for your co operation.

What have Reception been learning about this week?

This Week Reception have been learning what a blurb is and we have had a go at writing our own for the story Monkey Puzzle. In maths we have been using 'jungle juice' to learn about capacity. We have been busy creating lots of jungle animals using a range of materials. The children have enjoyed moving in a range of ways like jungle animals and learning some jungle dances. We have also started to think about moving up to Year 1 and what it might be like.

We are moving on to look at some jungle animal fact files next week. If anyone has any good non-fiction jungle books they would like to share with us, feel free to send them in to school.

We are also starting to practise for our mini sports day. This will take place during the day and unfortunately, due to government restrictions, we will not be able to invite parents too this year. However, we will endeavour to take lots of photos and some videos to share with you on Tapestry, so watch this space!

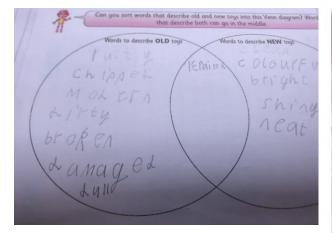
We're so nearly at the end of term, we are so proud of all the progress our little superstars have made, especially during such a tough year. They have worked so hard to catch up on missed learning and are in such a good place for starting Year 1 in September. Please do continue to read and practise maths, counting and phonics over the holidays to help ease the transition. Any questions, please do come and ask us. Keep up the fab work everyone!

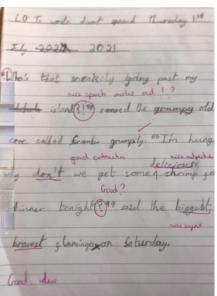


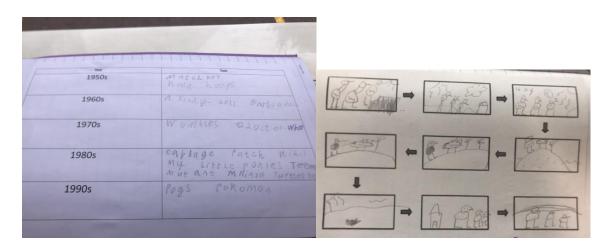


What have Year Two been learning about this week?

We have had another fabulous week in Year 2. In Maths we have been revising previous learning and applying our skills to problem solve. We have been discovering the difference between minutes, seconds and hours and comparing different time lengths. In writing we have started our final narrative, all about the three flamingos. We have created our own story maps and are learning how to punctuate direct speech correctly. In history we have been researching different toys through different decades in the past. Do any parents, carers or grandparents remember any of these toys from the past? We also sorted adjectives that described old and new toys into categories using a Venn diagram. Have a lovely weekend from all the Year 2 Team.







What have Year Four been learning about this week?

This week we have been completing our leaflets based on persuading people to visit our theme parks. This linked to Design and Technology where we created our own 3D model of our theme park. In maths, we have been learning about the importance of data and have been exploring bar charts, pictograms and line graphs. We even learnt how to describe the colour of our hair and eyes in French! In swimming, we learnt how to swim on our back and some of us were able to swim the full 25m. We can't wait for next week when we will be able to celebrate all of our achievements from the last few weeks by having free time in the pool. 4 Pullman also learnt about how to capture dreams and used descriptive language to bring them to life, inspired by the BFG.







What have Year Six been learning about this week?

This week in Year 6, we have been revisiting previous learning and using calculators in Maths to solve mixed calculation problems. In English we have begun our next narrative unit where we will be writing a warning story. This week we have learned a model text and can recall all of the events in the story by using actions to remind us. D&T has seen us build model suspension bridges and History allowed us to reflect of the achievements of the NHS since its introduction just after WW2. We have continued to practice our end of year production and have blown away the children and adults in Reception Class who have heard us practicing. Look below at some of the photos to see just how hard we have been working:



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Times Table Rock Stars

We are into our seventh week of battles and look at just how close some of the scores are! It's so wonderful to see some different names entering the Most Valuable Player arena. Lots of the scores have improved a considerable amount (Extra shout out to Roydon, who pipped Ummah to the post in Year 6 to be top of the leader board). So let's see who won round Six...

Results and most	Result tally	
Ahlberg 280 Shout out to: Amelia, Rupa & Raif	Shout out to: Richardson, Hasnat & Iman	Ahlberg 2 - 4 Butterworth
Benjamin 643	♀ King-Smith 658	Benjamin 2 – 4 King-Smith

Shout out to: Arjun, Chinonye & Martyna	Shout out to: Faxon, Inesa & Hope		
Binch 1251 Shout out to: Yiwei, Salim & Basit	Pullman 1439 Shout out to: Jaya, Anvi & Eli	Binch 0 - 6 Pullman	
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Hughes 409	Morpurgo 274	Hughes 5 – 1 Morpurgo	
Shout out to: Chisom, Amaan & Rizma	Shout out to: Tyler, David & Samanvitha		
Chout out to: Roydon, Mukhtar & Andrew	Lewis 1293 Shout out to: Umamah, Muath & Kabeer	Horowitz 6 – 0 Lewis	

Well done to all of our winners and to the most valuable players in each class. A big shout out to BINCH CLASS for giving Pullman a real battle this week. It was neck and neck all week! I am so looking forward to seeing how the tables may turn next week! Keep it up guys - Miss Gundry ©

What's happening next week at Palmer?

Monday 5 th July	
Tuesday 6 th July	
Wednesday 7 th July	New Reception Children Stay and Play
Thursday 8th July	New Reception Children Stay and Play
Friday 9th July	

Attendance Information



Nursery	Nursery	YR	YR	Y1	Y1	Y2	Y2
AM	PM	Kerr	Rosen	Cole	Donaldson	Ahlberg	Butterworth
90.5%	88.1%	93.5%%	96.6%	94.2%	98.4%	96.8%	92.1%



Y3	Y3	Y4	Y4	Y5	Y5	Y6	Y6
Benjamin	King-Smith	Binch	Pullman	Hughes	Morpurgo	Horowitz	Lewis
95.7%	90.5%	92.4%	97%	94.6	93.2	<mark>100%</mark>	96.7%



94.5% attendance this week

Attendance for the whole school year is currently 95.3%

An exciting attendance raffle has started at The Palmer Academy.

You have to be in it to win it! If you attend school every day you will automatically be put into our attendance raffle which will be drawn on a Friday afternoon. A winner from KS2, KS1 and Early Years will be selected and win a special prize. We are always looking for exciting prizes so if you have any new items which would make good attendance prizes please feel free to donate to the office.

Congratulations to Annabel, Ayan and Filip who were our weekly 100% attendance winners. Well done 3

