



The Palmer Academy

Weekly Round-up



Edition 21

Friday, 12th March 2021

Note from the Executive Headteacher

Welcome to our round-up for the first week we have had all the children back since December! I can imagine that, much like ourselves, this was something that many of you were looking forward to and from seeing some of the children throughout the week I know it is something that they were keen to get back into. Overall, the children have settled back into their learning really well, with many of them ready to pick up from where they left off with remote learning for this week. However, we also appreciate that many children may still find it difficult to return to school and rest assured our staff are keeping this in mind throughout their own observations within class. Throughout this week we have continued to ensure that the risks related to the current lockdown are kept to a minimum, including social distancing, regular handwashing and children staying within a bubble. Many of these different systems were in place within the Autumn term and the children have shown that they can return to these routines quickly. We will continue to review our practice going forward to ensure the safety of the children and the staff throughout the school.

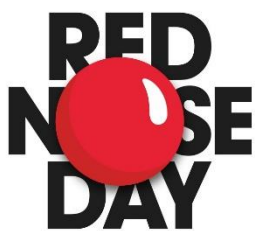
Have a well-earned rest this weekend, and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday!



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Mr. Aaron Wanford

Red Nose Day



This year's Red Nose Day will be on Friday 19th March. The theme for 2021 is to **Show Your Superpowers**. To raise money for Comic Relief we are asking the children to bring in £1 in to their class teacher. The children can do the following:

From Wonder Women and Black Panther!
To Air Guitar Girl and Bakes Brilliant Cakes Boy!

Three Choices – Please pay a donation of **£1** to your class teacher on the 19th March:

1. Create a superhero of your choice- there will be a prize for each class, for the child who comes up with the most imaginative new superhero
2. Dress up as a current superhero
3. Wear something Red

What have Nursery been learning about this week?

It has been fab having all of our children back and our new children have settled in really well! This week the children enjoyed watching our science week experiment where we started by making 2 jugs of clean water dirty and then added a cloth, cotton wool, sones, sand and bottle tops to the top half of a bottle to make a filter. We then poured our dirty water into the filter and the children were amazed that the dirt got caught in the filter and semi - clean water came out of the bottom.



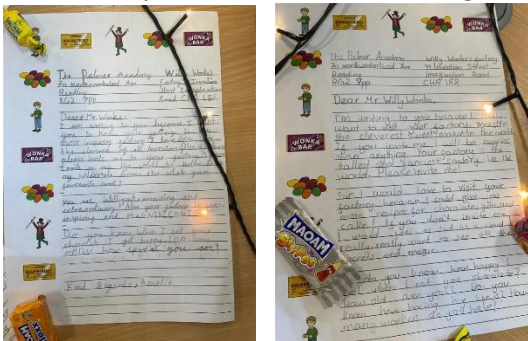
What have Year One been learning about this week?

It's been a wonderful first week back in Year One! There is an air of enthusiasm and positive as our students settle back into their routines and learning. This term, we are excitedly learning about Plants in Science (and our cress from our experiments has been growing magnificently), Counting in Fives and Measurement in Maths, writing our innovated versions of our letters in English, and continuing to develop our fluency and retrieval skills in Reading. We continue to learn about Explorers in History, and we have been so excited to learn about Neil Armstrong's journey to the moon. Thank you to all the families who have contributed wooden spoons to our spoon garden so far, and remember, we are still taking submissions or new characters! 😊



What have Year Three been learning about this week?

What an exciting first week back for Year 3! We have been so impressed with how all of you have come back eager and ready to learn. The responsibility and resilience you have shown this week has truly amazed us and we are so proud of you! This week, we continued our unit on fractions. We have learned all about tenths and equivalency and how to shade in different amounts. Our writing unit has culminated in some amazing letters to Mr Wonka asking him to allow us a visit to his chocolate factory! I hope he reads them 😊 We continued our Science unit of Rocks and carried out experiments to test the permeability and weathering of different rocks. In History we learned about the Ancient Egyptians and the mummification process. We even had the chance to create mummies in the classroom! It has certainly been a fun and interesting first week back and we hope everyone has a lovely weekend.



What have Year Five been learning about this week?

It has been a wonderful week having all the children return back to school. We have been so impressed by the excellent work ethic and how well all the children have settled into a routine. We have dived straight back into learning, revising fractions in Maths, writing a balanced argument in English and exploring the ancient Mayan civilisation in History. A particular highlight this week has been celebrating Science week and we got to investigate different materials and build a bridge, which we all thoroughly enjoyed. Take a look at some of our bridge projects below. The year 5 teachers are very proud of all the children and we look forward to them continuing to work hard and strive to do their best this term. Keep up the amazing work!



What's happening next week at Palmer?

Monday 15th Mar	
Tuesday 16 th Mar	
Wednesday 17th Mar	Happy St Patrick's Day
Thursday 18th Mar	Rocksteady returns!
Friday 19th Mar	Red Nose Day – Come as a Super Hero or Wear Red donate £1

Attendance Information



Nursery AM	Nursery PM	YR Kerr	YR Rosen	Y1 Cole	Y1 Donaldson	Y2 Ahlberg	Y2 Butterworth
97%	99.1%	96.6%	94.4%	98.2%	95.6%	100%	98.4%



Y3 Benjamin	Y3 King-Smith	Y4 Binch	Y4 Pullman	Y5 Hughes	Y5 Morpurgo	Y6 Horowitz	Y6 Lewis
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