



# The Palmer Academy Weekly Round-up



Edition 33

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021

## **Note from the Headteacher**

The excitement and competitiveness of Times Table Rock Stars continues to reverberate around the school. However, surely there's one class that can beat Horowitz (note to parents: Miss Gundry, Horowitz class teacher, is the maths lead). Who will be the first?

This week I've been listening to pupils about **safety in the school** – and they've given me some great ideas for the staff and I to consider. One aspect to share with you is to remind you that **at drop off and pick up to ensure your child stays with you**. Please teach them that, **if they do become separated from you at this time, to make their way back to school**. I'll be reminding the pupils of this in assembly on Monday in my **'keeping safe'** reminder! It is also worth teaching and training them what to do if they get separated from you at other times – where to go which is safe (police, shops etc) and what not to do! Thank you



Have a lovely weekend!

**Mr D. Prendergast**

## **Palmer Powers – Miss Druce**

The pupils and staff of the school have all voted and the results are in!

Our new Palmer Powers are:

- RESILIENT
- INDEPENDENT
- FOCUSED
- RESPONSIBLE
- COLLABORATIVE
- ENQUIRING



## **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.

There is **NO** INSET day next Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July as we had to close on Polling day so counted this as one of our 5 INSET days. Pupils are to attend school as normal.

### 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.

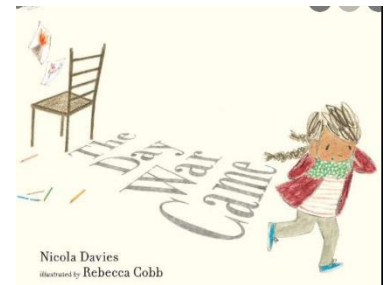
### What have Nursery been learning about this week?

This week in Nursery the children have been learning about 3D shapes and going on shape hunts around the classroom and outside area. We have been really impressed with how the children have been learning the new vocabulary and shape names. We have also been learning to hear the initial sounds in words and sorting words into groups.



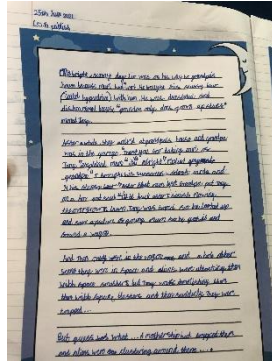
### What have Year One been learning about this week?

It's been another busy week in Year One! In maths, we have been learning how to order numbers and use the language of position and direction to describe objects' positions – right, forwards, backwards, left, right, above, below. Can you find some opportunities to use these words at home this weekend? In reading, we continue to explore *Malala's Magic Pencil* and we have been discussing the words *peaceful, war, equal, and poverty*. A wonderful story to support this learning at home is Nicola Davies' *The Day War Came*, which helps to illustrate these concepts in a very child-appropriate context. Our foundation subjects have brought lots of excitement to our classroom this week. In History, we continue to learn about the Victorian seaside holidays and how they were made popular by the invention of the steam train and in computing we have been using a 21<sup>st</sup> century technology to program Bee Bots with our own algorithms! In science, we continue to learn about everyday materials and their properties. We investigated why we choose different materials to do different jobs or to construct different objects. Even though we are steadily moving towards the end of the school year, our learning in Year One hasn't been slowing down! Keep up the great learning Year Ones! 😊



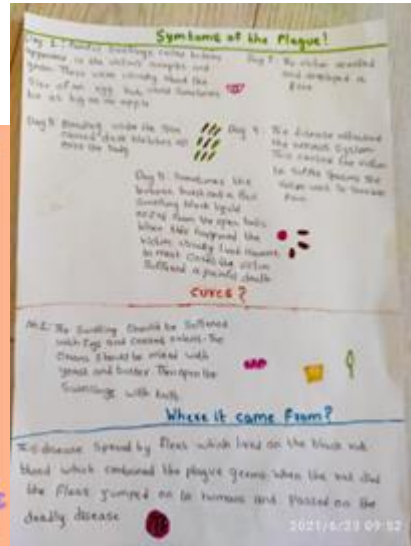
### What have Year Three been learning about this week?

It has been a fun and exciting week in Year 3! We have learned all about 2D and 3D shapes as well as the different types of angles. Our Reading work has continued to focus on Charlie and the Chocolate factory – there are now only two children left on the tour! We wonder who will be the last one standing – Charlie or Mike Teavee? We are looking forward to the exciting conclusion next week. Our English unit took us on an exciting adventure to the jungle and space. We used our imagination to face off against evil monkey, crocodiles, aliens and spaceships! We had lots of fun creating new stories but are now looking forward to finishing off our playscripts next week. In Science, we have started looking at how plants grow and how the different parts of the plant help it function. We planted seeds and cannot wait to see the results. We are looking forward to all the exciting new learning next week and hope everyone has a lovely weekend! 😊



What have Year Five been learning about this week?

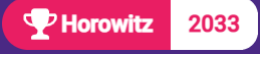

This week Year 5 have had the challenge of working from home again! All the Year 5 staff have been so impressed by their dedication and positive attitude towards home learning. We have continued to look at adverts in English and wanted to share Kulreet's amazing poster. We have also investigated the black death in History and different types of medicine. Here are Khadija and Sam's posters about the symptoms and cures of the bubonic plague. We are so looking forward to seeing you all next week and resuming our in-class learning. Keep up the hard work Year 5.



Times Table Rock Stars

We are into our sixth week of battles and what a nail-biting week it has been. The competition is rising and children's accuracy in recall is improving a great deal. Lots of the scores have improved a considerable amount (well done Pullman – first time into the thousands 😊)... so let's see who won round five...

Results and most valuable players:		Result tally
<p><b>Ahlberg 81</b></p> <p>Shout out to: Rupa, Amelia &amp; Raif</p>	<p><b>Butterworth 440</b></p> <p>Shout out to: Richardson, Adam &amp; Junior</p>	<b>Ahlberg 2 - 3 Butterworth</b>
<p><b>Benjamin 219</b></p> <p>Shout out to: Arjun, Chinonye &amp; Martyna</p>	<p><b>King-Smith 589</b></p> <p>Shout out to: Arjela, Noah &amp; Faxon</p>	<b>Benjamin 2 – 3 King-Smith</b>
<p><b>Binch 476</b></p> <p>Shout out to: Basit, Salim &amp; Ahmed</p>	<p><b>Pullman 1010</b></p> <p>Shout out to: Jaya, Anvi &amp; Isabella</p>	<b>Binch 0 - 5 Pullman</b>
<p><b>Hughes 913</b></p>	<p><b>Morpurgo 1918</b></p>	<b>Hughes 4 – 1 Morpurgo</b>

Shout out to: Rizma, Daniel & Chisom	Shout out to: David, Daniella & Emmanuel	
		<b>Horowitz 5 – 0 Lewis</b>
Shout out to: Jaspreet, Samuel & Roydon	Shout out to: Umamah, Khadijah & Ben	

Well done to all of our winners and to the most valuable players in each class. A big shout out to LEWIS CLASS for giving Horowitz a real battle this week. It was neck and neck all week! Also, a huge shout out to MORPURGO CLASS who have been signing in to do this at home alongside their home learning and have clawed back a point. Can you keep it up and keep hold of the trophy for next week? Will we have different most valuable players? You have to be in it to win it! Keep up the great work TPA! I will be challenging you on your tables in the corridor. Miss Gundry 😊

What's happening next week at Palmer?

Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	New Nursery Parent Meeting
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	

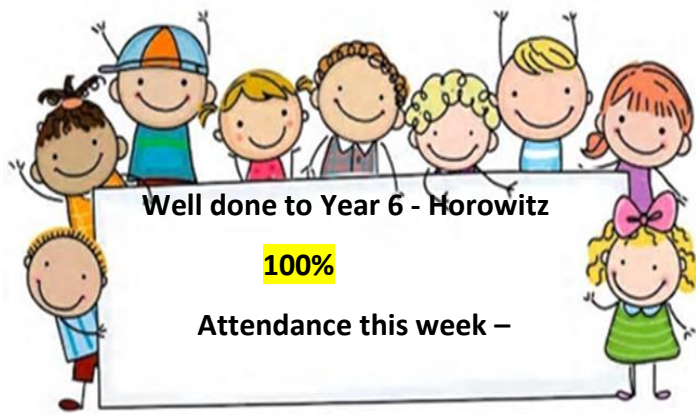
### *Attendance Information*



Nursery AM	Nursery PM	YR Kerr	YR Rosen	Y1 Cole	Y1 Donaldson	Y2 Ahlberg	Y2 Butterworth
92.0%	96.7%	92.5%	94.9%	98.0%	98.1%	96.1%	98.4%



Y3 Benjamin	Y3 King-Smith	Y4 Binch	Y4 Pullman	Y5 Hughes	Y5 Morpurgo	Y6 Horowitz	Y6 Lewis
96.5%	94.3%	98.1%	96.7%	N/A	N/A	100%	95.5%



**96.4% attendance this week**

**Attendance for the whole school year is currently 95.4%**

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 Daivik, Anthea and Hope who were our weekly 100% attendance winners. Well done

