

# THE PALMER ACADEMY WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Edition 97

Friday 10th May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying the delightful change in weather as much as we are here at school.

With the warmer days upon us, it's crucial to keep our children protected from the sun's rays. Please remember to apply sunscreen on your children before they leave for school each morning and ensure they bring along a hat and a bottle of water to stay hydrated throughout the day.

On another note, I wanted to inform you that next week marks a significant milestone for our Year 6 students as they embark on their end of KS2 SATs. This is a moment for them to truly shine and showcase the knowledge and skills they've been diligently progressing in all year long. We are immensely proud of the progress they have made from their starting points, and I have no doubt that they will approach these assessments with confidence and determination.

I'm sure our Palmer community will join me in wishing them good luck next week.

It was lovely to see many parents at our open classrooms this week and I hope you were able to share in celebrating your child's learning.

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation and support

Kind Regards



Miss A Higginbotham

Headteacher

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## **Reminder for Parents**

### **Dates**

**13-16<sup>th</sup> May- KS2 SATS.**

**6<sup>th</sup> June- Reception trip to Southsea Aquarium.**

**26<sup>th</sup> June- Year 1 trip to Bournemouth**

### **Uniform**

Could we please ask Parents/Carers to make sure all uniforms are clearly labelled. Nearly all of the uniform emptied from the lost property bins is unnamed, making it impossible to return to the rightful owners.

### **School lunches**

Parents are now able to cancel and book school dinners up to 9am in the morning. Please remember to order for your child before this time and cancel any meals not required should your child be absent for the day, you will still be charged if meals aren't cancelled. Meals should only be ordered by the school office on the rare occasion that you may have forgotten to order. We are still experiencing a high number of pupils every day that have no school dinner ordered – if this continues we will phone parents to bring in a packed lunch so could you ensure you have booked for the week ahead. Please speak to the school office if you need a reminder of how to order through Parent Pay.

## **Information for Parents**

**Thank you for your contributions on Earth Day - we raised £285,00 for Keep Britain Tidy**



Thanks  
for being  
**amazing**



"A room without books is like a body without a soul."

— Marcus Tullius Cicero

**If you would like to purchase books for our new reading spine, scan the code and shop away!**

## Do I need to keep my child off school?

<b>Chicken Pox</b> Until all spots have crusted over	<b>Conjunctivitis</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Diarrhoea &amp; Vomiting</b> 48 hours from last episode	<b>Glandular Fever</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Hand, foot &amp; mouth</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Impetigo</b> Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
<b>Measles or German Measles</b> 4 days from onset of rash	<b>Mumps</b> 5 days from onset of swelling	<b>Scabies</b> Until after first treatment	<b>Scarlet Fever</b> 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	<b>Slapped Cheek</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Whooping Cough</b> 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
<b>Flu</b> Until recovered	<b>Head Lice</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Threadworms</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Tonsillitis</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed		

### Attendance Information

Attendance is a key priority for our school this term. We want to ensure that all children's attendance percentages are in line or above national average of 97%. Children with an attendance of 97% above are more likely to be happier attending school, make better progress and eventually achieve better in formal exams. Please see below how even missing a few days of school can lead to many hours of learning missed.

Yearly Attendance	Days Missed	Hours Missed
100%	0	0
97%	6	30
95%	10	50
90%	20	100
80%	40	200



Nursery		Year R		Year 1		Year 2	
AM	PM	Kerr	Rosen	Cole	Donaldson	Ahlberg	Butterworth
86.3%	84.1%	96.3%	94.8%	97.5%	94.2%	96.9%	96.7%
Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
Benjamin	King-Smith	Binch	Pullman	Hughes	Morpurgo	Horowitz	Lewis
92.9%	72.1%	96.3%	90.6%	97.1%	94.2%	87.1%	88.8%

**Attendance for The Whole School Year Is Currently 92.2 %**

**Attendance Raffle**

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 each class will be selected and win a special prize. We are also now holding a half term raffle for those children who have 100 percent attendance where they can win prizes such as amazon vouchers, roblox points, art kits and pencil cases. All the children have to do to be in with a chance of winning is to be in school every day!

**Well done to: Cole Class from Lower School & Hughes Class from Upper school**

**Turing wins House of the week- Congratulations.**