

THE PALMER ACADEMY WEEKLY ROUND-UP

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Today was our transition morning which aims to ease any anxieties our students may have had about the upcoming changes and create a positive and welcoming atmosphere. We are delighted to report that the morning exceeded our expectations, fostering a sense of excitement and building strong connections between pupils and their new teachers.

The morning was filled with enthusiasm and anticipation as our pupils gathered in the school hall before going to their new classes. Our dedicated staff members were on hand to support the students in their respective classrooms, ensuring a smooth and organised transition process.

As we reflect on the success of Transition Morning, we look forward to an exciting academic year ahead in September. We are confident that the positive connections formed between our pupils and their new teachers will continue to grow, fostering a nurturing learning environment where every child can continue to thrive.

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What Have Nursery Been Learning About This Week?

We have had a fab couple of weeks in Nursery learning all about people in school who help us. We have learnt all about the different roles of people in school who might help us, and who will be working with us next year! We have also been learning all about healthy living. This has included talking about which foods are healthy to eat and how we can be healthy in other ways like exercising and getting enough sleep. In maths we have been using the words many and fewer to describe two groups of objects. We are looking forward our last week of term next week!



What Have Year 1 Been Learning About This Week?

We have had another fab week in Year 1. In Writing we have been working on leaflets and learning how we can persuade people to come to the aquarium! In Maths we have been recapping our prior knowledge of addition and subtraction from the past year. We were amazed to see how much the children remembered!

In Science we have continued learning about animals and their habitats. We also thought about how we could classify different animals. The children had lots of fun in Computing this week, as we used what we have learnt about searching on the internet safely to create a fact file about a famous person of their choice.

What Have Year 3 Been Learning About This Week?

It has been another fun filled week of learning in year 3! In maths we are looking at statistics and have enjoyed reading data using pictograms! In writing we are creating our own recount letters about the tortoise and the hare.

Science we have had fun with the torches and making shadows, we have investigated distance and found that the closer the object is to the light source, the bigger the shadow! Traveling back to Ancient Egypt in this week's history lesson, we learnt about hieroglyphics and were able to decode words which we really enjoyed. We have discussed a lot about the transition to year 4, we seem to be very excited about swimming!

What Have Year 5 Been Learning About This Week?

During this term we have delved back in time to the birth of the industrial revolution; discovering the hard times that particularly poor children faced, especially working in mills and factories under extremely difficult conditions. Everyone was surprised how children, so young, were allowed to work.

Science brought another interesting practical using various materials to make a pulley. As you can see by the photos some great models were created. Let's keep going strong for the final week.



Students Leaving us this Summer

If your child/children will be leaving us this summer and you haven't already informed us, please remember to let the school office know your new home address and school if known. If you will be leaving the country, please send flight details to admin@thepalmeracademy.com

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
84.5%	90.3%	66.7%	90.4%	86.7%	94.8%	89.7%	90.7%
Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
Benjamin	King-Smith	Binch	Pullman	Hughes	Morpurgo	Horowitz	Lewis
84.7%	88.5%	88.9%	89.8%	87.7%	95.6%	91.1%	93.7%

Attendance for The Whole School Year Is Currently 91.6 %

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!



**A special well done to
Johnson House who
won the most HERO
(Here, Every Day,
Ready on Time) tokens**