



THE PALMER ACADEMY WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Edition 95

Friday 26th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had an exciting week at school as we delved deeper into learning how to care for our environment.

Improving Attendance:

We're placing emphasis on improving children's attendance so they can fully engage in all the opportunities available at school. Each class is now collecting stars for every day they are all present. Once they gather 10 stars, they'll earn a special reward. These rewards will vary each time, offering new incentives to keep attendance high.

Parking:

A friendly reminder to please refrain from parking on double yellow lines or zig zag markings. Doing so poses a danger to our children as they enter and leave the school premises. Additionally, we kindly ask that disabled badge holders avoid parking in these restricted areas. If you hold a disabled badge and require proximity to the school for accessibility reasons, please reach out to our office. We're here to support you in finding suitable parking arrangements.

Dentist and Medical Appointments:

We have had a large number of children who are leaving school during school hours for appointments. Please can you try to arrange these where possible out of school hours or during holidays. We understand emergency appointments and hospital appointments have less flexibility, but arranged appointments such as dental check-ups can be arranged at different times. Any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards

Miss A Higginbotham

Headteacher

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Reminder for Parents

Dates

Week commencing 29th April- Enrichment clubs start.

2nd May - School closed for Polling Day.

12-16th May- KS2 SATS.

6th June- Reception trip to Southsea Aquarium.

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 <u>rare occasion</u> 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





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

Marcus TulliusCicero top



to purchase books for our new reading spine, scan the code and shop away!

Do I need to keep my child off school?





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
88.5%	95.0%	94.0%	95.0%	99.0%	91.3%	95.4%	93.4%
Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
Benjamin	King-Smith	Binch	Pullman	Hughes	Morpurgo	Horowitz	Lewis
93.4%	92.2%	98.4%	94.6%	94.7%	95.7%	93.0%	91.4%

Attendance for The Whole School Year Is Currently 92.3 %

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!



Turing wins House of the week-Congratulations.