

THE PALMER ACADEMY WEEKLY ROUND-UP

Edition 98

Friday 7th June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful week back! Our Reception children enjoyed their trip to Southsea Aquarium, where they marvelled at the colourful fish, sharks and sting rays. They had a great visit and represented the school very well. I'd like to express a big thank you to the parent volunteers who supported the trip.

Our Nursery children have been on a bug hunt, exploring and learning about different insects in their natural habitats around our school grounds.

Our Year 3 students are going horse riding this term, and the first group had a fantastic time during their session this week. The children benefit greatly from horse riding as it helps build their confidence, improves their balance and coordination, and teaches them responsibility and empathy towards animals.

The Palmer motto is "Enquiring Minds for Inspiring Futures," and this is promoted through our curriculum, which is enriched with experiences like these. The Summer Term is packed with engaging opportunities for the children. Please make sure to keep an eye on the diary dates for upcoming events.

As the weather gets warmer, please remember to keep your children safe by sending them to school with named water bottles, sun hats, and applying sunscreen in the mornings.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards



Miss A Higginbotham

Headteacher



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Reminders and Information for Parents

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.

SUMMER TERM 2024 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY- (further information will be sent nearer the time)

8 th June	
9 th June	
10 th June	Week 9
11 th June	Y3 Horse riding
12 th June	
13 th June	
14 th June	
15 th June	
16 th June	
17 th June	Week 10 Book presentation to year 6 2pm
18 th June	Year 3 Horse riding
19 th June	
20 th June	
21 st June	Year 2 trip to Beale Park
22 nd June	

23rd June	
24th June	Week 11
25th June	Reading Girls Transition Day Year 3 Horse riding
26th June	Year 1 Trip to Bournemouth
27th June	WEC Olympics
28th June	
29th June	
30th June	
1st July	Week 12 Year 4 Viking Day
2nd July	King's Academy Transition Day
3rd July	King's Academy Transition Day Palmer transition Morning
4th July	School closed for Polling Day
5th July	Year 5 Sleep over- (To be confirmed)
6th July	
7th July	
8th July	Week 13 EYFS Sports Day Morning
9th July	Lower School Sports Day Afternoon 1:45
10th July	Upper School Sports Day Afternoon 1:45
11th July	
12th July	Annual reports sent home (inc SATs results)
13th July	
14th July	
15th July	Week 14 Rocksteady Concert pm
16th July	Year 6 Production afternoon performance Year 6 Production evening performance Year 6 Open Classes pm for parents
17th July	Year 6 Open Classes for parents am. Year 6 trip to Wicked
18th July	
19th July	Palmer's got Talent 1:45pm Lower School; 2:30pm Upper School
20th July	
21st July	
22nd July	Week 15
23rd July	Leavers Assembly
24th July	Children break from school

FREE!



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YOUTH CLUB



FRIDAY EVENINGS 5PM - 6:30PM

FOR AGES 7 - 11



Whitley Wood Community Centre
28 - 35 Lexington Grove
Reading, RG2 8UG



Starting Friday 7th June 2024

Arts, Crafts, Pool Table, Board Games, Workshops and
most importantly **FUN!!!**



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— Marcus Tullius Cicero

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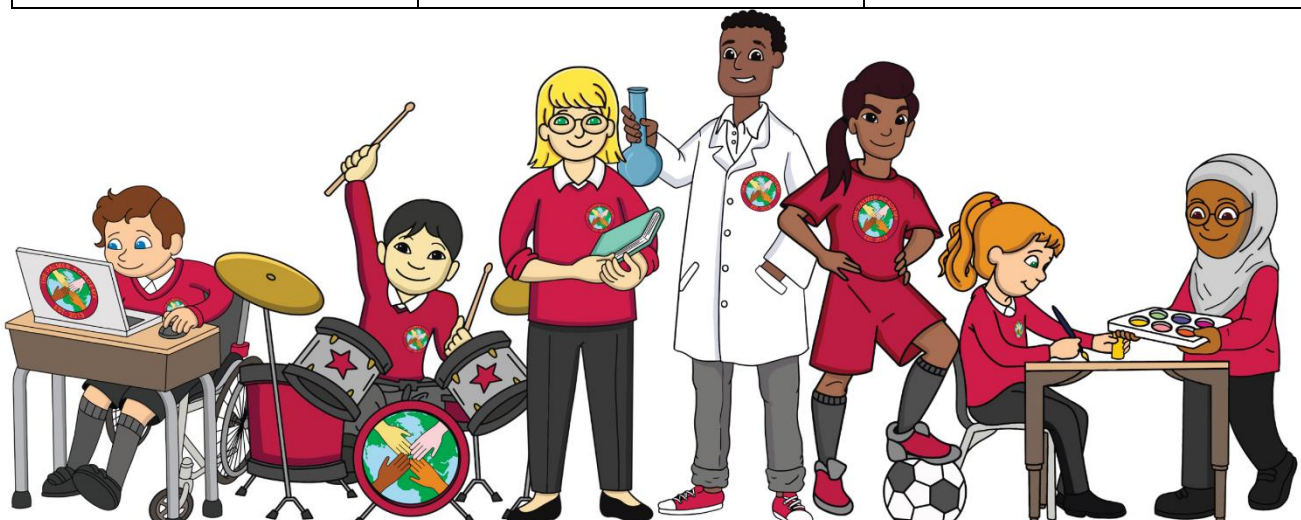
Do I need to keep my child off school?

Chicken Pox Until all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Diarrhoea & Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Glandular Fever No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Hand, foot & mouth No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Impetigo Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Measles or German Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling	Scabies Until after first treatment	Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Slapped Cheek No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Whooping Cough 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Flu Until recovered	Head Lice No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Threadworms No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Tonsillitis 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
88.7%	87.1%	93.8%	93.4%	90.0 %	90.5%	92.6%	97.6%
Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6	
Benjamin	King-Smith	Binch	Pullman	Hughes	Morpurgo	Horowitz	Lewis
93.4%	91.0 %	94.2%	92.1%	95.1%	93.4%	90.2%	90.5%

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!



Anning wins House of the week- Congratulations.