



# PALACE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers

The sun stayed out for class photos today and the children behaved brilliantly and were keen to look as smart as possible. Today the children found out who their new class teacher is for September and during Excellence assembly, every teacher said a virtual hello so that children were able to put a face to a name. Children are also taking part in lots of PSHE activities to do with transitions and new starts. The list of teachers for September is attached below.

Next week is sports week. The weather is currently looking fine so please don't forget to send in sun hats and water on your child's allocated day. If we are fortunate enough to have sunshine, please apply sun cream before they come to school.

### **Parent Working Party**

The first parent working party meeting takes place on Tuesday morning. Thank you to those parents who were able to volunteer to be part of the group. I realise it is difficult for working parents to be involved and will change the times and days of the meetings in the coming months, to allow other parents, with work commitments, to be part of the conversations should they wish to be.

### **Reports and Book Look**

Your child's report will be sent home on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July. We are planning on arranging a parent book look for Year 3 and Year 5 on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 2:45pm and for Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 9am. We very much want to welcome parents on to site at these times but this may change depending on the outcome of the government decision on the 19<sup>th</sup> July. Fingers crossed for 'Freedom Day'. We will send more details nearer the time.

I hope you enjoy seeing the learning the children have been taking part in this week.  
Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Cairns



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**Our Office Manager is retiring this summer, and therefore we are looking to recruit her replacement. The job description and application process can be seen at:**

<https://www.kent-teach.com/Recruitment/Vacancy/VacancyDetails.aspx?VacancyId=89506>



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## Staffing for September

EYFS	Mrs Wallace and Mrs Edwards Mrs Moore Mrs Boakes Penguins	Mrs Bedford Mrs Moore Mrs Gilks/ Mrs Trumble Elephants
Year 1	Mrs Doyle Mrs Moule/ Mrs Barden Bears (Penguins)	Mrs Tristram/ Mrs Gallie Mrs Adair/ Mrs Roberts Giraffes (Elephants)
Year 2	Mrs O'Brien Mrs Vella Zebras (Class A)	Miss Gower/ Mrs Tristram Pandas (Class B)
Year 3	Mrs Knowers Mrs Zavlar Monkeys (Class B)	Miss Barker Mrs Holmes Crocodiles (Class A)
Year 4	Mrs Tye/Mrs Cooper Mrs Lembo/Mrs Thomson Panthers (Monkeys)	Mr Boyce Mrs Griffiths Leopards (Crocodiles)
Year 5	Miss Horne Mrs Perks/ Mrs Watts Lions (Panthers)	Mrs Turner Mr Tree Tigers (Leopards)
Year 6	Mrs Kyte Mrs Rose Rhinos (Lions)	Mrs Nolan-Neylan Mrs Rose Hippos (Tigers)

Mrs Ridout	Language Specialist Teacher
Mrs Watts	Maths Support
Miss Porter	Specialist PE Coach
Mr Croucher	Specialist PE Coach



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## REMINDERS AND UPDATES

There will be bins on each playground for collecting second hand uniform in the last week of term - further details to follow.

We do have a number of Polo T-shirts with the Palace Wood logo on in size 5-6 in stock, so if you know of anyone starting in September that would particularly benefit from buying 2nd hand, then please let us know.

If any families are under significant financial hardship at the moment, please let our FLO or a member of the Friends know and we will endeavour to help.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Activities Week
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 BBQ
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports to Parents
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Farmers' Market 9-12 am (children only)
	Teddy Bears' Picnic for New Entrant Children 2-3 pm
	Book Look, Years 3 & 5 @ 2.45 pm
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Teddy Bears' Picnic for New Entrant Children 2-3 pm
	Book Look, Years 1, 2, 4, 6 @ 9 am
	Break Up – normal time

## INSET DAYS FOR NEXT YEAR

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021,  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021,  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022,  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022



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This week the children in EYFS have been 'challenged' to make minibeast models

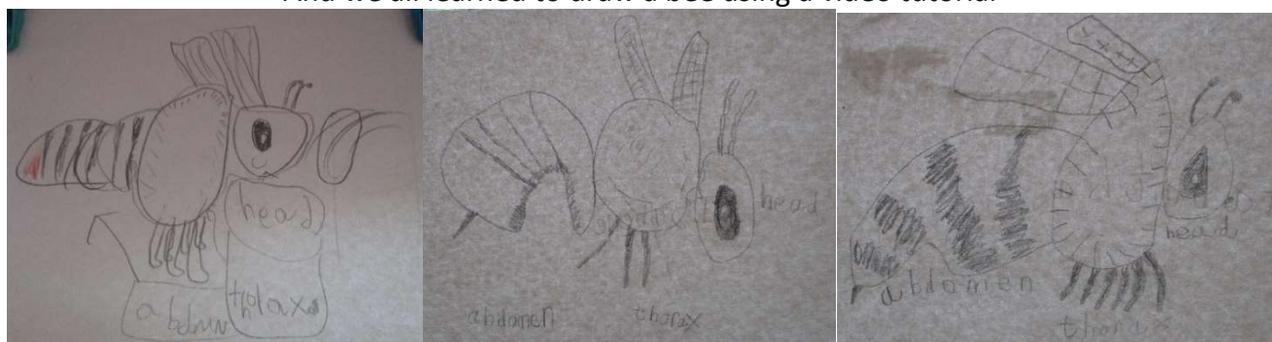


A spider in its web

A junk model fly



And we all learned to draw a bee using a video tutorial





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This week **Year 1** have been looking at making healthy choices in DT and designing their own fruit salad. This week they got the opportunity to show off their skills and make their own fruit salad to take home and enjoy. Next week they will be evaluating its taste and appearance and talk about potential improvements.



In **Year 2** we are making padded toy turtles using felt. This week we made our turtle's shell by sewing two bits of felt together and putting stuffing inside. Once we had threaded our needles, we were able to use running stitch to sew the two pieces together. We have cut out felt shapes ready to attach next week.

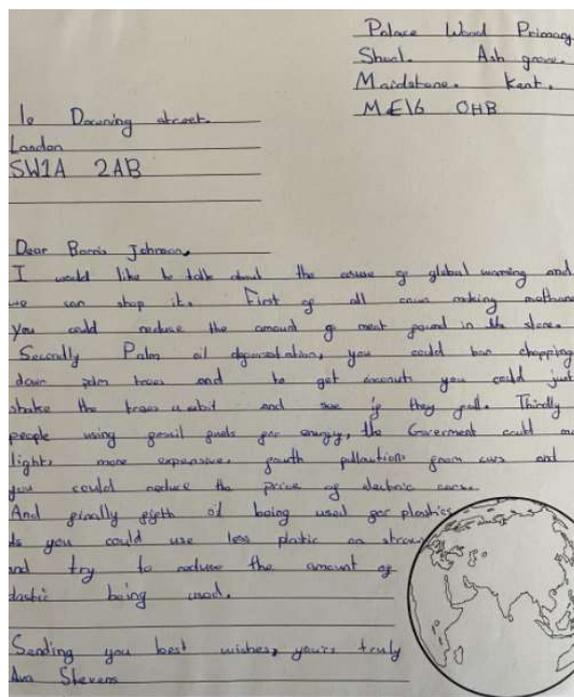


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Over the last three weeks, **Year 3** have been working on a story called 'Flood' by Alvaro F. Villa. This week the children have written their own independent write all about a Flood at Palace Wood. The stories are fantastic, and we have put them all in the book corner for our classmates to read at their leisure.



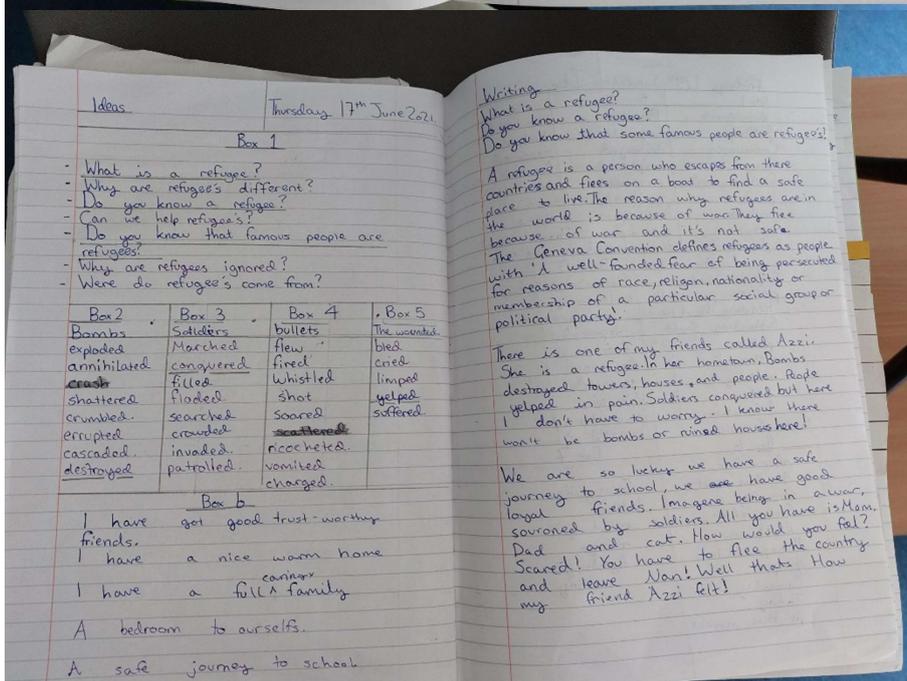
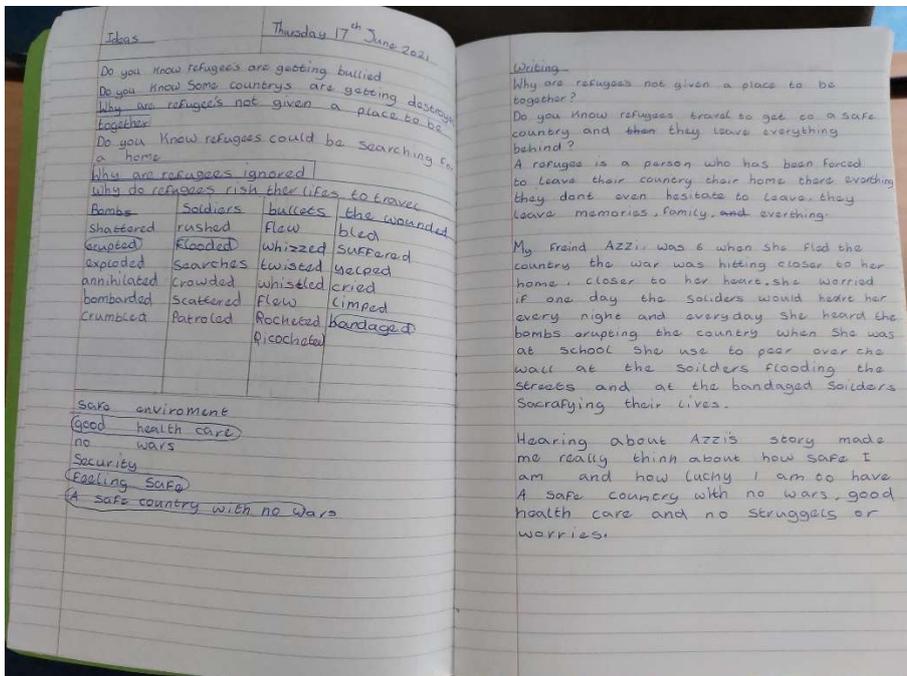
This week in **Year 4**, we have been learning about the devastating effects that climate change can have on the world. We have thought about what we can do to help and written to world leaders to share our ideas. In maths we have continued learning about fractions and in English we have started our new unit of writing a letter to an author.





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**Year 5** has been working so hard on learning about refugees. We are using the information to write emotive speeches about the lives refugees have led and how important they are to our countries. Having empathy for people who are torn from everything they know is so helpful to the writing. It is challenging to understand how someone's life can be so different from ours.





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Year 6 have been spending some of their week honing rounders and maths skills. In our art lessons we had to master the compass to create concentric circles after first creating a building scene to specific measurements. The effect was very striking. We played small rounders games in order to perfect our tactics. This will be continued next week!



Rhinos  
Art

Hippos  
Rounders



This is our school greenhouse. As you can see we need lots more 2 litre plastic bottles to complete the project, please so over the weekend, if you have any, could you give them a rinse and send them in to us.

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Elena y2 and Dylan y6 have received their hockey awards for season 2020-2021.

Eivie & Ollie received their medals & Ties at the end of their season at Aylesford Bulls. Both go on to the under 13's but in separate groups.



Whilst on holiday, Roman in Zebras completed an 18 mile bike ride from Deal to Sandwich and back again. He did so well and even when he fell off quite badly, he got back on and continued until the end!

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Rowling achieved the most team points this week.

### This Week's Always Children

Hippos – Noah	Rhinos – Oliver T
Lions -	Tigers – Daniel R
Leopards – Lewis	Panthers - Isabella
Crocodiles - Alex	Monkeys – Max
Pandas - Duru	Zebras – Lily
Bears - Jenson	Giraffes - Remy
Elephants – Ruby	Penguins - Skylar

At Palace Wood we  
**G**ive it our best  
**R**espect one another  
**O**vercome obstacles  
**W**ork together

**Mrs Cairns' Always Child:  
Rune in Monkeys**