PAPILLON HOUSE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

30th September 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians

Introduction

It was lovely to see so many of our parents and pupils at the family BBQ on Monday. Thank you all for coming and for taking part in this event. It was great to welcome back some of our "graduates" and their families too! A big thank you to the staff who supported this occasion. Special thanks to Nina and Rachel in the kitchen and to Adrian and his team on the BBQs! It was a fabulous turn out despite the threat of rain! We look forward to planning a slightly warmer family BBQ in the Summer Term.

The staff finished this week with a Macmillan Coffee Morning led by Zoe who came back to visit us and run this fabulous event, raising money for such a valuable charity. The children were all happy to see Zoe, as were the staff.

Parents' Evening will be on Monday 10th October and this will take place in school. You will have the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and class team, discuss how they have settled into the year, as well as review Section A of your child's EHCP (in preparation for your child's next Annual Review meeting). Please complete the form being sent out by Arbor with your preference of time slot by Monday. We will do our very best to accommodate your 1st or 2nd choice and will send out confirmation of your allocated time by Friday 7th October.

Community Visits

Caterpillar went to Sainsbury's and leigh playground Meadow went horse riding and to Court recreation ground Peacock went swimming and to Asda Swallowtail went swimming and to Asda Admiral and Monarch went to Newlands Corner for a walk Emperor went cycling

Star of the Week

Our "Stars" last week were:

Caterpillar Nichola "for working hard in maths naming 2D shapes"

Meadow | lack "for taking lots of turns in circle activities"

Peacock Ariana "for amazing participation in Akademi Dance this week"

Swallowtail Ahiyan "for good swimming"

Secondary Department News

All children in Monarch Class have been joining in together with music-boomwackers and news round. Gabriel has been sitting independently with an adult nearby joining in appropriately. Well done, Gabriel.

Admiral Class are building on their independence and their ability to talk about a range of topics including any issues that come up in class. They are beginning to show the ability to self-regulate, both in the classroom and the playground. Thomas has been working really hard with his work this week and has also joined in with cooking, making food for an adult.

Emperor Class have been working hard on their literacy skills, writing sentences, sounding out words, and identifying letters. Cassius is doing really well requesting a range of items using photo symbols. This week Dawid has been to have a look around 2 colleges in the local area, thinking about (with his family and school) potential next steps after Papillon House School.

Therapy

Gabriel has done extremely well in all his OT sessions this week. His interactions with the adults have been delightful and he has worked hard to complete more complex fine motor tasks independently. Well done, Gabriel. Claire Messom, Occupational Therapist

Kuba showed a good understanding of simple emotions, happy and sad and was able to sort pictures into what makes him feel each emotion. Jess Mason, Speech and Language Therapist and Claire Messom, Occupational Therapist

Tiana participated really well in food is fun this week, exploring new food items using touch and taste. Jess Mason, Speech and Language Therapist and Claire Messom, Occupational Therapist

#HelloYellow

'This year on World Mental Health Day, Monday the 10th October, Papillon House School will be participating in the #HelloYellow YoungMinds event to raise money and awareness for Children and Young people's Mental Health. Staff will be wearing a yellow accessory on this day, and children are welcome to join in wearing a yellow accessory, such as a hairbow, ribbon or sticker/s if they would also like to. We have an open donation page, and all proceeds will go to the YoungMinds Charity to support work such as their '#EndTheWait' campaign which is looking to reduce the waiting times for children and young people to access help for mental health.

Papillon House School is fundraising for Young Minds Trust (justgiving.com) '

Diary Dates

Below is a list of events taking place this term. I will send you further information nearer the time.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday	7 th October	All day	World Smile Day
Monday	10th October	All day	World Mental Health Day
Monday	10th October	3.30 – 7pm	Parents Evening
Monday	17th October	AM	Individual photos
Friday	21st October		Last day of term

Have a lovely weekend.

Katie Lonnborg Head Teacher