



THE PINEHURST PRESS

Experience ~ Excel ~ Enjoy

A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School

Teaching and Learning

Attendance Matters



The Importance of School for Your Child's Future

At Pinehurst Primary, we believe that every day in school counts towards your child's success. Regular attendance not only supports their academic progress but also builds essential life skills like discipline, responsibility, and resilience.

Our goal is for every child to **Experience, Excel, and Enjoy** their time at school. With high-quality teaching and learning, we nurture a love for learning and aim to help every student reach their full potential. Good attendance is key to this – it ensures children don't miss out on vital learning opportunities, both in the classroom and in social settings.

Let's work together to support excellent attendance and create a bright future for all our students!

Our Attendance Lead at Pinehurst is Mrs Steers

Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year Group	Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
Rec	Ash	85.7 😞	61
Rec	Oak	91.1	31
1	Elm	91.3	3 😊
1	Cherry	97.1	29
2	Fir	94.8	13
2	Yew	97.0	72 😞
3	Cedar	94.0	5
3	Hazel	95.6	27
4	Chestnut	92.6	26
4	Holly	86.7	3 😊
5	Maple	95.9	42
5	Sycamore	92.8	11
6	Birch	98.6 😊	31
6	Willow	94.5	15
Whole School		93.4%	



Parents' Evening will be held on Wednesday 23rd October from 2.45 - 5.30pm for parents of pupils from Reception Year up to Year 6.

There is the option of a face to face appointment or telephone call.

Please be aware that children will be **dismissed from school at 2.30pm** to allow for a prompt start of the Parents' Evening appointments.

Attendance Top Tip 3

Bring your child to school before their medical appointment and following their appointment, and their absence will be recorded as authorised.



School Contact Number
07858 739336 for
Emergencies only

Pupil Premium

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they may also be entitled to a sum of money paid to their school to boost their learning, this is called pupil premium. Although all Infant children receive a free school meal under a Government scheme it is still important that you register for Free School Meals so school can access this additional funding. This is also the case if your child is in any year group and choosing a packed lunch.

You may be eligible if you receive one of the following benefits:

Income Support.

Income Based Job Seekers Allowance.

Child Tax Credit Only (with income up to £16,190) with no element of Working Tax Credit.

Our Pupil Premium Lead is Ms A MacDiarmid



"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire."

William Butler Yeats



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Key Priorities 2024-2025

Quality of Education

- Teaching and Learning is underpinned by strong pedagogy and supported by accurate assessment with impact seen through improved outcomes.

Personal Development

- Pupils are motivated to learn and give their best to school life, intrinsic motivation is fostered. Parental support is growing and they are increasingly involved in school life also.

Behaviour and Attitudes

- There is a positive and respectful school culture in which staff know and care about pupils. Restorative practice is embedded.
- Pupils have high attendance. They come to school on time and are punctual to lessons. When this is not the case, the school takes appropriate, swift and effective action.

Leadership and Management

- Middle leaders drive forward positive change in the quality of education. There is clarity in systems, processes, policies and procedures. There is increased accountability at all levels.



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Reception Admissions 2024

Closing date 15th January 2025

(Children in Nursery must still apply)

Secondary School Transfer for Year 7

Closing Date 31st October 2024

Visit your Local Authority Admissions page for further information:

<https://liverpool.gov.uk/admissions>

<https://sefton.gov.uk/admissions>

<https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions>



Please can we remind all parents and carers of the need to park away and walk the last few minutes to school to stop congestion around the school site. Thank you



Last week we sent home a copy of our Home School Agreement.

Please review this document with your child to look at the expectations for them, yourself and school.

Please sign the agreement and return to school as soon as possible.

There will be an opportunity to raise any questions about the Home School Agreement at Parents' Evening later in the half term.

A partnership between home and school is essential to support your child to be successful at Pinehurst and we look forward to working with you over the year.