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# THE PINEHURST PRESS

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A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School

## Teaching and Learning



### Stay Connected During Winter Weather

As we settle into the New Year, the recent snowfall has served as a chilly reminder of how unpredictable winter can be!

On Tuesday, we had to take the very difficult decision to close school in the interests of everyone in the Pinehurst family's safety. We know the impact of decisions such as this and will always try to remain open wherever possible.

To ensure everyone stays informed during disruptions, it's essential that we have your correct contact details on file.

If you haven't already, please update your phone numbers with the school office. This ensures you receive timely updates regarding school closures, delays, or other important notices.

Additionally, make sure you're signed up for **Class Dojo** and follow us on **X (formerly Twitter) @PinehurstP** for real-time updates and school news. These platforms are the quickest way to stay in the loop and access resources for continued learning if severe weather keeps us at home.

Thank you for your cooperation, and let's work together to keep the Pinehurst community informed and connected, no matter what the weather brings!

## Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year Group	Class	Attendance	Minutes Late
R	Ash	94.6%	224
R	Oak	92.3%	174
1	Elm	89.8%	255
1	Cherry	84.2%	288 😞
2	Fir	90.5%	164
2	Yew	88.2%	122
3	Cedar	88.5%	109
3	Hazel	94.8% 😊	202
4	Chestnut	81.8% 😞	196
4	Holly	86.2%	234
5	Maple	83.9%	58
5	Sycamore	90%	175
6	Birch	90.5%	147
6	Willow	93.1%	50 😊
Whole School Attendance ...		89.2%	

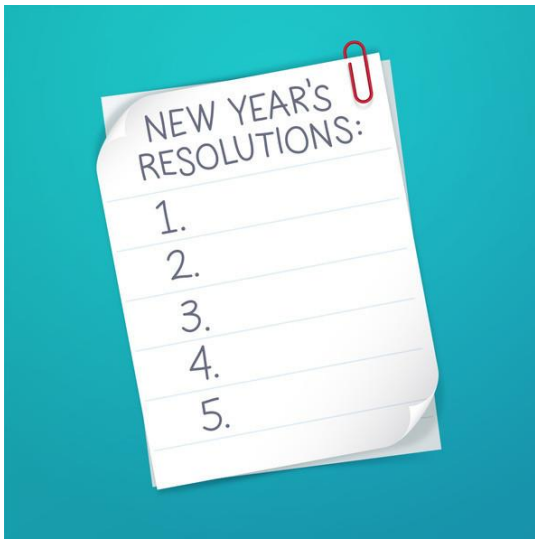
quote of the week

*Education breeds confidence.  
Confidence breeds hope.  
Hope breeds peace.*

— Confucius



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### A New Year, A Kinder You

Happy New Year, Pinehurst! As we welcome 2025, our school assembly has inspired us to kick off the year with purpose by combining the tradition of New Year's resolutions with the power of kindness.

This year, why not go beyond the usual promises of "less chocolate" or "being more tidy"? Instead, make resolutions that brighten someone else's day through Random Acts of Kindness. These small, selfless gestures not only uplift others but make our own lives richer and more meaningful.

Here are a few ideas for kindness in action:

**Smile Day:** Greet everyone you meet with a smile for a whole day.

**Thank a Teacher:** A simple "thank you" for a good lesson can make a teacher's day.

**Hold the Door:** Stand by a doorway and hold it open for everyone.

**Unexpected Positivity:** Leave a thank-you note for the school cleaners or surprise someone with a kind compliment.

Kindness is contagious. From cheering on someone you don't know at Sports Day to helping clean up the school grounds, every act creates a ripple effect. As Aesop said, "No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted."

Let's make this a year of spreading joy and building a stronger community.

What Random Act of Kindness will you do today?



Admissions for Reception in September 2025

**Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

All Nursery children must still apply.



A reminder that we are here to help and support our Pinehurst Family in any way we can.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you require any help or support.



Join Us for our next Family Well-Being Coffee Morning!

Mark your calendars! On Wednesday, 12th February, Pinehurst is hosting a Family Well-Being Coffee Morning – a perfect opportunity to connect, relax, and recharge.

Come along for a warm cup of coffee, a slice of delicious cake, and plenty of friendly chatter. It's not just a chance to enjoy good company but also an opportunity to access advice and resources to support your family's well-being. Whether you have questions, need guidance, or simply want to catch up with other parents, this event is for you.

See you there for coffee, cake, and community!

A reminder that registration is at:

# 8.50am

every day. Gates open at 8.40am.

Be on time, make every minute count

