



# THE PINEHURST PRESS

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A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School

## Teaching and Learning

### A is for Attendance!

At Pinehurst we aim to give every child opportunities to EXPERIENCE, EXCEL and ENJOY, every single day. To achieve this, and for children to reach their full potential, excellent attendance and punctuality is crucial.

#### What does Good School Attendance look like?



**DID YOU KNOW?** A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.7%

#### Does Attendance Really Matter?

We take school absence very seriously. We identify pupils whose attendance drops below 96% and provide support to help improve this. We will contact any family whose child's attendance drops below 90% which is the persistent absence threshold. It is important that parents/carers and school work together to reduce absence and prevent legal action being taken as a result of persistent absence.

We categorise levels of attendance into red, amber and green.

**GREEN** - 100%. Excellent attendance above the national expected average, ideally where all children should aim to be.

**AMBER** - 96.7% or above. Good attendance - in line with or above national expected average.

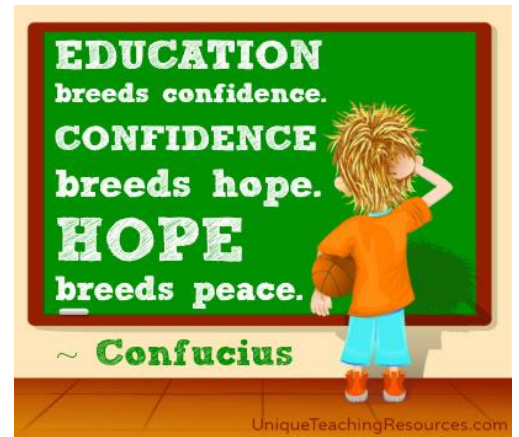
**RED** - below 96.7%. Attendance below expected level.

We will monitor the child's attendance and if we do not see an improvement we will contact you. A copy of your child's attendance record is available, on request, from the school office.

Leading Attendance at Pinehurst – Mrs J Steers  
Education Welfare Officer – Ms C Deering

### Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year Group	Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
R	Ash	92.1%	137
R	Oak	95.1%	313 😞
1	Elm	82.3% 😞	65
1	Cherry	90.7%	256
2	Fir	96.3% 😊	152
2	Yew	94.7%	116
3	Cedar	86.7%	66
3	Hazel	94.1%	203
4	Chestnut	96.3% 😊	144
4	Holly	93.2%	131
5	Maple	93.3%	58 😊
5	Sycamore	88.1%	85
6	Birch	95.9%	84
6	Willow	93.2%	123
Whole School		92.3%	





**SPRING HALF TERM 2**

**Monday**

Year 3 Computing Club 3.30 - 4.15 (Miss Sweeney)  
 Year 4-Year 6 Chess 3.30-4.15 (Mr Farrell)  
 Y5 Boys Football Club 3.30-4.15 (Miss Caskey)

**Tuesday**

Year 6 Maths Booster Club 3.30-4.15 (Ms MacDiarmid)  
 Year 4 Multi-Skills Club 3.30 - 4.15 (Coach Lois)  
 Year 3 Basketball Club 3.30 - 4.15 (Mr Cain)  
 Year 1 Word Fun 3.30 - 4.15 (Mrs Davies)

**Wednesday**

Cookery & Spanish in school pm  
 Staff Meeting  
 Year 6 Cookery Club 3.30-4.30 (Mrs Wright)

**Thursday**

Spanish in school pm  
 Year 5 Swimming pm at Everton  
 Year 6 English Booster Club 3.30 - 4.15 (Mr Farrell)  
 Year 3- Year 6 Eco-Warriors Club 3.30 - 4.30 (Mrs Henderson)  
 Year 4 Dodgeball 3.30-4.15 (Miss Goodwin)  
 Year 5 TTRS 3.30-4.15 (Miss Leary)

**Friday**

Year 6 Football 3.30-4.15 (Mr Farrell)  
 Year 2 Number Fun 3.30-4.15 (Mrs Whitehead)

**PE DAYS THIS HALF TERM**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM		EYFS			LPC LA
PM	Year 2 & Year 6	Year 3		Year 1 & Year 5 Swimming	Year 4

Reminder to wear PE Kit on the allocated day for PE. Pinehurst PE kit only.



Parents' Evening will be coming up at the end of the half term. On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March we will finish at 2.30pm for appointments to begin at 2.45pm.

**Term Dates**



**Easter break**

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April to Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April (Bank Holiday)

**Summer Term 2024**

**Starts:** Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

**May day:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May (Bank Holiday)

**Half term:** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May

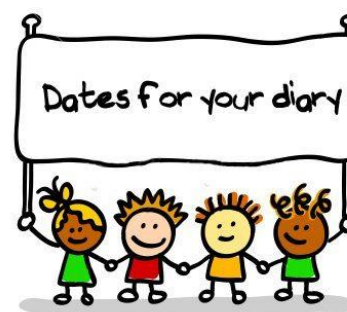
**INSET:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

**Pupils Return:** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

**Term ends for Pupils:** Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July

**INSET:** Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July

**INSET:** Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July



Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March – Blue for Bobby Day

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Red Nose Day (correction to the date)

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April – 1.40pm Break up for Easter Holidays

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Children return to school



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Reminder – Please come dressed as your favourite book character or in your pyjamas with our favourite bedtime story book.



**£115.07 Raised for NSPCC on Number Day**

**Thank you for your support**