



THE PINEHURST PRESS

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A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School

Teaching and Learning



Science at Pinehurst is hands-on, engaging, and thought-provoking. Our curriculum provides a wide range of learning experiences for our pupils, under our 'Achievement for All' agenda. So far this academic year, children have undertaken one core Science unit, and a Working Scientifically investigation.

Currently, classes are half-way through their second Science unit, and Ms. MacDiarmid and Miss Gilmore have been lucky enough to drop-in and see some of the exciting learning taking place. We have been particularly impressed by the fantastic scientific vocabulary the children are using with increasing confidence and accuracy.

You can see our learning journey using the Twitter hashtag: [#PinehurstScience](https://twitter.com/PinehurstScience) and you can find out exactly what your child is learning by accessing our half-termly Curriculum Newsletters on our website: <https://www.pinehurst-primary.co.uk/>

Leading Science at Pinehurst is Ms MacDiarmid and Miss Gilmore

Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year Group	Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
R	Ash	74.89% 😞	16 😊
R	Oak	90.60%	97
1	Cherry	90.00%	82
1	Elm	80.83%	306
2	Fir	96.90% 😊	263
2	Yew	87.20%	100
3	Cedar	88.89%	90
3	Hazel	90.70%	39
4	Chestnut	87.72%	329 😞
4	Holly	79.45%	102
5	Maple	93.08%	364 😞
5	Sycamore	85.56%	243
6	Birch	94.64%	199
6	Willow	95.86%	37
Whole School Attendance ...		88.04%	



Reception Admissions

Deadline 15th January 2022

Reminder Flu Nasal Spray Vaccinations are next week on Thursday 9th December

School Contact Number 07858 739336 for Emergencies only



IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE ALL WORK TOGETHER AND FOLLOW THESE COVID19 REMINDERS

Please ensure that you distance from other adults and families at drop off and pick up.

One adult per child at drop off / pick up please.

Once you have dropped off or collected your child please leave as quickly as possible. We need to avoid congestion at the gates and on the playground. Your cooperation with this is much appreciated.



Face coverings are ADVISED at pick up / drop off please.

No unnecessary items including large school bags or pencil cases in school at this time please. Please ensure that your child on brings a SMALL bag on book return and issue days.

Pinehurst PE Kit to be worn 1 allocated day per week.

Please bring a named water bottle to school each day.

Alternate lunches of hot and cold options, children may bring a packed lunch if this is their preference.

Due to ventilation requirements, if your child is cold in school they should wear extra layers. This may include a vest or additional layer under their polo shirt, or a school or navy fleece over their sweatshirt. We will consider scarves and fingerless gloves as the term progresses and update you.

If your child has a COVID symptom of a cough, high temperature (above 37.8 degrees) or a loss of taste or smell they must stay off school and get tested for COVID19.

Once the test results are in, school must be informed. If it is during school hours please call the office 0151 263 1300, if it is outside school hours please call or text 07858 739336.

IMPORTANT:

Please ensure the school office has up to date contact numbers for you.



I would like a Yule Log Ingredients pack for the December Cook-A-Long

Name of child: _____

Class: _____

Please return by Tuesday 7th December

Packs will be sent home Wednesday 15th December



Christmas Post

Tweet or Dojo message us your Christmas message – in writing, a photo or video.

Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 8th December or Thursday 9th December

Christmas Jumper Day – Coming up NEXT WEEK ☺

Friday 10th December

Children to wear Christmas Jumper or Non Uniform Donation of 50p to Save the Children

As we cannot ask Parents and Carers to attend school for Crafts, Nativities or Choir performances, this year each class will record a Christmas video to share with Parents and Carers.

Christmas Craft Day Monday 20th December

Christmas Party Day Tuesday 21st December

Dismissal on Wednesday 22nd December 2021 for Christmas Holidays

In keeping with tradition the children will start their Christmas Holiday during the afternoon of WEDNESDAY 22nd December

Please collect your children at the time below from the allocated gate

1.40pm	Reception EYFS Gate	Year 1 Main Gate	Year 2 Little Acorns Gate	
1.50pm	Year 5 EYFS Gate	Year 6 Little Acorns Gate	Year 3 Kitchen Side Gate	Year 4 Main Gate

Please only ONE adult to pick up in a FACE MASK at the allocated gate and time.

Please arrive and leave promptly.

Little Pine Cones and Little Acorns closes for Christmas on Tuesday 21st December.

This is to enable preparation for new starters. Please note that there will be no Nursery sessions on Wednesday 22nd December.

A reminder that if you are struggling at this time of year we are here to help. Contact Ms Wigelsworth in confidence if you require some support for your family.

