

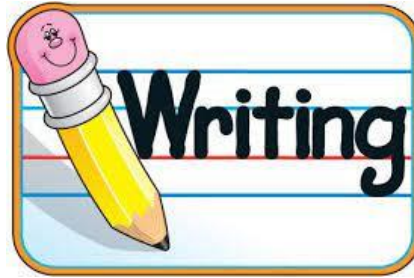


# THE PINEHURST PRESS

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A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School

## Teaching and Learning



Learning to write is one of the most important things that your child will do at primary school. Almost all other areas of the curriculum are assessed through writing, so strong writing is one of the keys to academic success. Good writing also gives your child a voice to share their ideas with the world.

The National Curriculum divides writing into two broad areas: transcription and composition.

Transcription covers the technical aspects of writing: handwriting, spelling, grammar & punctuation, and so on. Composition is about sharing their ideas and thinking about the purpose for their writing. Learning to write can be a tricky business, because good writing involves balancing all these different parts. There's a lot for a child to juggle.

Fortunately, learning to write is also a lot of fun, and there are all sorts of enjoyable ways you can help your child learn to love writing.

Leading English and Writing at Pinehurst Miss Jones and Miss Thomas

## Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year Group	Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
R	Ash	91.33%	89
R	Oak	90.38%	131
1	Cherry	95.24%	31
1	Elm	94.87%	22
2	Fir	98.72% 😊	102
2	Yew	89.58%	44
3	Cedar	93.06%	21 😊
3	Hazel	96.53%	85
4	Chestnut	88.00%	81
4	Holly	84.67% 😞	173 😞
5	Maple	91.07%	87
5	Sycamore	91.98%	87
6	Birch	94.25%	33
6	Willow	90.80%	50

quote of the week

"EVERY CHILD DESERVES A CHAMPION — AN ADULT WHO WILL NEVER GIVE UP ON THEM, WHO UNDERSTANDS THE POWER OF CONNECTION, AND INSISTS THAT THEY BECOME THE BEST THAT THEY CAN POSSIBLY BE."  
RITA PIERSON

Whole School  
Attendance this week...  
**90.98%**



After School clubs have returned this week and we have a fantastic offer for the Summer Term.

Activities on offer include:

Guitar, Mindfulness, Dance, Eco-Committee, Science, Football, Multiskills, Phonics and Art.

A BIG thank you to all of the staff who are giving up their time to offer these extra-curricular opportunities for the children.



An important reminder about parking around school. Please ensure that you do not park on pavements or verges to help keep our children and families safe walking to / from school.



Year 6 SATS week is fast approaching 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Good Luck Year 6... Wishing our fabulous Year 6 lots of luck in their SATs next week.

They have all worked incredibly hard.

We are extremely proud of all the effort the Year 6 pupils have put in to prepare themselves.

We wish them all the success they deserve.

You can do it Year 6! Believe it!

### Every School Day Counts



### Every Minute Counts

**LATENESS = LOST LEARNING**  
(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 Minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 Minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 Minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 Minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 Minutes late each day	19 days lost!

Be at the classroom on time and ready to learn!

We are currently reviewing our approach to school attendance and punctuality.

Reminder that there is an expectation that your child attends school EVERY DAY. Our aim is for 100% and our target is 97%+. This equates to 5 days or less off in a year.

Attendance below 90% is classed as persistent absence and is a real cause for concern.



### May Cook-A-Long

I would like a Lemon and Raspberry Parfaits Cook-a-long ingredients pack

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return by Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May.

Ingredients packs will be sent home Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May.



Can you put the numbers 1 to 8 in each of the squares so that each side adds up to the middle number?

