



THE PINEHURST PRESS

Experience ~ Excel ~ Enjoy

A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School



Teaching and Learning



Experience, Excel and Enjoy

We have remodelled our Curriculum this year to ensure that it implements our School Vision of Experience, Excel and Enjoy.

So far this year, our children have enjoyed a number of different experiences linked to different areas of the Curriculum.

Reception have made apple and blackberry pies after finding blackberries in the school garden.

Year 2 have been to Stanley Park to experience following a route and explored habitats whilst in the park.



Year 3 have been out and about sketching houses in the local area.

Year 5 have used compasses whilst exploring the local area.

Year 6 have visited St Columba's Church.

In addition the whole school have celebrated European Day of Languages.

Every week we experience cooking with Apple of my Eye, music with the Reasonate Hub,

MFL with Miss Elba and Sports with Coach Henshall.



Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year Group	Class	Attendance %
R	Ash	86.39%
R	Oak	88.24%
1	Cherry	83.98% ☹️
1	Elm	90.14%
2	Fir	93.14%
2	Yew	97.44% 😊
3	Cedar	87.29%
3	Hazel	97.39%
4	Chestnut	95.42%
4	Holly	91.95%
5	Maple	96.91%
5	Sycamore	96.30%
6	Birch	88.94%
6	Willow	87.76%



EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

At this uncertain time it is vitally important that if your child is well and has not been asked to isolate by school they attend **ON TIME, EVERY DAY.**

As you have seen we are prepared for year group isolation to ensure everyone's safety and well being, and it may be that there are times in the months ahead when your child cannot attend school. It is therefore important they attend every day that they can.

Information to follow next week regarding Parents' Evening for the Autumn Term.

School Contact Number 07858 739336 for Emergencies only



Christmas in COVID19: Advance Notice

Given the current guidance we will be unable to hold our usual Christmas Events.

We are currently thinking of alternative ways to share the Christmas experience with the #PinehurstFamily and we will keep you updated.

It is not possible to have mass gatherings in school therefore nativity plays, carol concert and crafts will look different this year.

IMPORTANT DATES



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Reception Admissions 2021

Closing date Friday 15th January 2021

Secondary School Transfer for Year 7

Closing Date Saturday 7th November 2020



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.

Face coverings MUST BE WORN at pick up / drop off please.



No unnecessary items including large school bags or pencil cases in school at this time please.

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

Please bring a named water bottle to school each day.

If your child has 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 IMMEDIATELY. 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.

If your child is absent from school for any reason including isolating whilst waiting results for themselves or a family member we ask that you contact school EVERYDAY.



You must do the things you think you cannot do.
-Eleanor Roosevelt



Keeping you updated

Each week our newsletter is published on our school website, it highlights the news of the week and places a spotlight on one key aspect of Teaching and Learning.

We also send copies home with the children.

Our website and Twitter feed provide regular updates about school.

MOBILE PHONES - If Year 6 children are walking home and they have a mobile phone, they are permitted to bring this to school. However, ALL Year 6 mobile phone MUST be handed in on arrival for safe keeping during the school day. No phones should be used on the school site.



Healthy Snacks

Please can you ensure any breaktime snacks are a healthy option for the children. Thank you.

REMINDER

School closes to pupils on Thursday next week for Half Term.