

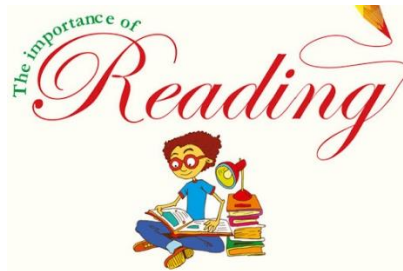


# THE PINEHURST PRESS

Experience ~ Excel ~ Enjoy

A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School

Teaching and  Learning



Learning to **read** is about listening and understanding as well as working out what is printed on the page. Through hearing stories, children are exposed to a wide range of words. This helps them build their own vocabulary and improve their understanding when they listen, which is vital as they start to **read**. At Pinehurst Primary School we understand how important it is for every child to become a fluent and confident reader.

We use Read Write Inc Phonics to support our teaching of early reading and we will be undertaking further training on this programme on our INSET Day tomorrow.

We would like to encourage all in the Pinehurst Family to spend some time over Half Term Reading. Our 'Get Caught Reading' competition invites you to photograph family members reading in the most unusual places and tweet or email them to us over the holidays.

[reading@pinehurstgs.co.uk](mailto:reading@pinehurstgs.co.uk) or @PinehurstP #GetCaughtReading

We look forward to announcing the winners on our return from Half Term.

Pinehurst's Reading Leader is Miss Thomas. Pinehurst's English Lead is Mrs Muirhead.

## Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year Group	Class	Attendance %
R	Ash	84.88%
R	Oak	96.14%
1	Cherry	84.12% ☹️
1	Elm	96.07%
2	Fir	96.08%
2	Yew	93.28%
3	Cedar	90.43%
3	Hazel	94.17%
4	Chestnut	91.32%
4	Holly	90.00%
5	Maple	96.74% 😊
5	Sycamore	95.11%
6	Birch	85.27%
6	Willow	93.91%

Week Ending 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Don't Miss the  
**DEADLINE!**

**ATTENTION**

**YEAR 6 PARENTS and CARERS**

**Secondary School Transfer for Year 7**

**Closing Date**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

Please visit your local authority website for the admissions guidance.

If you are having difficulties applying please contact school for help and support.

School Contact Number 07858 739336 for Emergencies only



1 Year  
=  
365 Opportunities



### 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.

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

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.

50 things to do before you're 11¾

## How many have you done?

We've been working closely with kids just like you to put together this list of the best things to do before you're 11¾. (Although lots of them are still great fun even when you're 81¾.) You'll find fun things to do for every kind of outside place, from mountains to sea, forests to fields. So what are you waiting for? Get out there and see how many you can do!



## Half Term Holiday Adventures

As another Half Term Holiday approaches it is time to reflect on the '50 Things to do before you are 11 and ¾ list' again.

What will you try this half term?

No 4 Build a Den

No 6 Go Welly Wandering

No 12 Have Fun with Sticks

No 18 Create some Wild Art

No 40 Go on a Nature Walk at Night

No 49 Watch the Sunset

Remember we love to see what you are getting up to over the Half Term Holiday so tweet us your pictures @PinehurstP, using the #HalfTermAdventures.

HALF TERM HOLIDAYS  
OCTOBER



INSET Day Tomorrow Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

INSET Day Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Children return to school on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November