



THE PINEHURST PRESS

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A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School

ATTENDANCE

Teaching and  Learning

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Attendance Matters at Pinehurst Primary!

At Pinehurst, we believe that every school day counts. Attending school regularly is the key to helping our children experience, excel, and enjoy everything school has to offer.

Every day in school is a chance to learn new skills and deepen knowledge.

Regular attendance builds confidence, strengthens friendships, and supports positive social relationships.

Missing days means missing learning — and missed opportunities to shine!

Did you know?

Persistent absence means missing just 10% of the school year – that's only 19 days across the whole year.

To meet our target of 97% attendance or above, children need to be in school at least 185 out of 190 days.

💛 Working together

We are committed to working in partnership with families, following the DFE Attendance Strategy, to ensure every child has the very best chance of success. Together, we can make every day of learning count.

☀️ Let's all play our part in promoting excellent attendance so that our children can continue to experience, excel, and enjoy their journey at Pinehurst Primary!

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Attendance Tips

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“Arrive ready, stay steady.” “On time, every time.” “Plan ahead, show up strong.” “Attendance drives success.”

Read Write Inc.
Phonics

Parent Meeting date for Reception families coming soon...



Don't forget to follow us on X
@PinehurstP

We now have 1750 followers!

We would love it if you could share in our wonderful learning experiences. We love sharing our learning with you - please comment and make our handle an active place where we share our learning with all.



REMEMBER
ONCE A WEEK,
TAKE A PEEK

With our Pinehurst Family all now back at school, here's a reminder to check your child's scalp for head lice and nits. Treat head lice as soon as you spot them. Using conditioner and a comb is the simplest way to check. All working together to check once a week will help everyone.



“Learning never exhausts the mind.”

Leonardo da Vinci

Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year	Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
Rec	Ash	100 % 😊	127
Rec	Oak	96.3%	15 😊
1	Elm	92.7%	160
1	Cherry	92.9%	155
2	Fir	94.1%	297
2	Yew	94.7%	157
3	Cedar	90.2%	198
3	Hazel	93.1%	131
4	Chestnut	97.6%	201
4	Holly	93.8%	69
5	Maple	92.9%	313
5	Sycamore	88.9% 😞	177
6	Birch	97.4%	336 😞
6	Willow	94.6%	253
Whole School		94.4%	



Another diary date next week...

Friday 3rd October

Welcome back to school from our School Governors

The Governors of Pinehurst Primary School have the responsibility for education of the children in our school.

The Local Governing Body, whose membership includes the school's Headteacher, provides strategic leadership to the school and takes key decisions in areas such as finance, staffing structure and appointments, and premises as well as monitoring educational performance.

Although our governors are volunteers they take their duties very seriously and consequently have a genuine impact upon the school and the education provided to the children of Pinehurst Primary School.



Chair of Governors - Mrs June Simm MBE



ATTENTION YEAR 6 PARENTS and CARERS

Secondary School Transfer for Year 7

Applications for Year 7 places for September 2025 are now open. Visit your Local Authority Admissions page for further information.



Thank you to all of the staff who are offering after school activities this half term. Please note that we only have a limited number of clubs and spaces. Clubs are allocated to specific year groups.

Please be prompt collecting your children at 4.15pm.
Thank you.

Primary School admissions



We currently have spaces in some year groups. If you know a family who are new to the area please suggest they speak to the school office about joining the Pinehurst family.



We break up for half term on Friday 24th October.

Pupils return on Monday 3rd November

Pinehurst Primary School Activities

Autumn Term 1

Monday

Year 6 Ellevate fitness club 3.30-4.15 (Miss Ellie)
Year 3 Football 3.30 - 4.15 (Miss Caskey)



Tuesday

Year 6 Young Entrepreneurs Club (Miss Monaghan)
Year 2 Just Dance 3.30-4.15 (Miss Leary)
Year 2-6 Choir Club 3.30-4.15 (Miss Patterson)



Wednesday

Year 2 Basketball Club 3.30-4.15 (Mr Cain)
Drama Club Year 3.15.4.14 (Miss R Jones)
Staff Meeting



Thursday

Year 4 Sewing Club 3.30-4.15 (Miss Goodwin)
Year 3 Computing and Design Club 3.30-4.15 (Miss Sweeney)
Year 3-6 Eco-Warriors Club 3.30 - 4.15 (Mrs Henderson) Autumn 2



Come along to Family Wellbeing Morning on Wednesday 1st October.

Ms Wigelsworth is hosting 9.00-11.15 in the school hall.

Drop in after dropping the children off to school.

All are welcome for a cuppa and a chat.

Supporting agencies will be available to speak to and offer advice.

Our Neighbourhood Manager, Catherine McNeill will be available along with Billy Marratt, our Local Councillor. Free legal advice from MSB is on offer.

Other agencies include, debt advice, housing support, health advice, EWO and others.



2025 / 2026

Autumn Term 2025

Half term: Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October

Pupils Return: Monday 3rd November

Ends: Friday 19th December

Christmas break: Monday 22nd December to Friday 2nd January

Spring Term 2026

Starts: Monday 5th January

INSET: Monday 5th January

Half term: Monday 16th to Friday 20th February

Pupils Return: Monday 23rd February

Ends: Friday 27th March

Easter break: Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April

Summer Term 2026

Starts: Monday 13th April

May day: Monday 4th May

Half term: Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May

INSET: Monday 1st June

Pupils Return: Tuesday 2nd June

Term ends for Pupils: Friday 17th July

INSET: Monday 20th July



Save the date ... Wednesday 22nd October 2.45-5.30. Children will be dismissed at 2.30pm

Your child may be eligible for **free school meals**, which can help with the cost of daily lunches and unlock additional funding for the school to support their learning.



Are you entitled?

You may be eligible if you receive certain benefits such as:

- Universal Credit
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (without Working Tax Credit)
- Or other qualifying benefits



To check your eligibility and apply, please visit <https://liverpool.gov.uk/benefits/free-school-meals> or contact the school office for help. You will need your National Insurance Number. Even if your child prefers packed lunches, registering for free school meals can provide additional funding to support your child in other ways.