

3rd October 2025

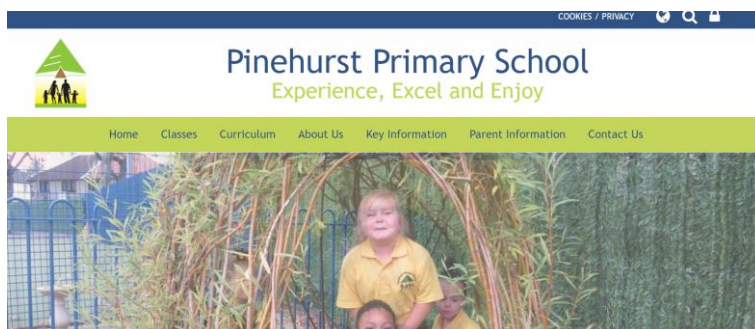


THE PINEHURST PRESS

Experience ~ Excel ~ Enjoy

A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School

Teaching and Learning



Our School Website

www.pinehurst-primary.co.uk

Teachers, staff, parents, pupils – all need to communicate and our website allows us to do this with greater ease. It incorporates our Twitter feed @PinehurstP so that everyone can have a regular insight into life in school. Every year group has a page under the 'Classes' Tab where you can find out about current learning and routines in class. Our 'Curriculum' Tab shares information about the different subjects being taught in school and the opportunities the pupils have to 'Experience, Excel and Enjoy'. The 'About Us' Tab and, 'Key Information' Tab provide information about daily life in school. Our 'Parent Information' Tab has our weekly newsletters and term dates and other information that may be useful to parents.

Our website is an important way of keeping our #PinehurstFamily up to date and involved in school life.

Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year Group	Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
R	Oak	98% 😊	69
R	Ash	95.1%	49 😊
1	Elm	94%	111
1	Cherry	93.8%	237
2	Fir	96.1%	401 😞
2	Yew	95.4%	130
3	Cedar	93.8%	153
3	Hazel	96.9%	187
4	Chestnut	97.2%	170
4	Holly	95%	78
5	Maple	94%	282
5	Sycamore	93.1%	129
6	Birch	97%	245
6	Willow	92.5% 😞	111

Whole School Attendance - 95%



Flu immunisation is booked for 19th November 2025.

If you haven't done so, please can you complete your child's consent form via this link

<https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/>

Remember we need to be in to win.

We are aiming for our best attendance this year.

School Contact Number 07858 739336 for Emergencies only

Pupil Premium

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they may also be entitled to a sum of money paid to their school to boost their learning, this is called pupil premium. Although all Infant children receive a free school meal under a Government scheme it is still important that you register for Free School Meals so school can access this additional funding. This is also the case if your child is in any year group and choosing a packed lunch.

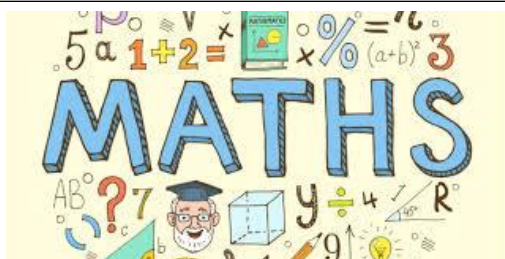
You may be eligible if you receive one of the following benefits:

Income Support.

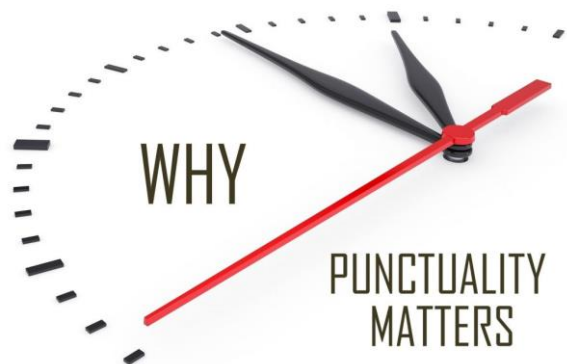
Income Based Job Seekers Allowance.

Child Tax Credit

Our Pupil Premium Lead is Ms A MacDiarmid



We will be joining in with the 10th Liverpool Maths Party on Friday 17th October



The Importance of Good Punctuality

Arriving at school on time sets the tone for the whole day.

Gates open at 8.40am, giving plenty of time for pupils to settle in before registration at 8.50am. Lessons begin immediately afterwards, so being late means missing valuable learning right from the start.

The first lesson of the day is especially important—it sets the pace, introduces key concepts, and helps children feel ready and focused.

By ensuring your child arrives on time every day, you give them the best possible start and avoid the disruption caused by late arrivals.



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Reception Admissions 2026

Closing date 15th January 2026

(Children in Nursery must still apply)

Secondary School Transfer for Year 7

Closing Date 31st October 2025

Visit your Local Authority Admissions page for further information:

<https://liverpool.gov.uk/admissions>

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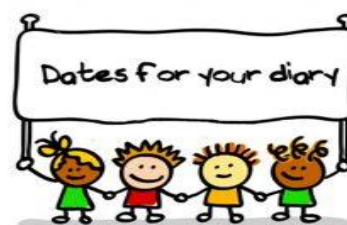
<https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

Please be reminded that bikes and scooters are left in the

Bike Storage Area at your own risk.



Please can we remind all parents and carers of the need to park away and walk the last few minutes to school to stop congestion around the school site. Thank you



Wednesday 22nd October

Children dismissed at 2.30pm for Parents' Evening

Appointments 2.45-5.30pm

Friday 24th October

Children break up for Half Term

Monday 3rd November

Children return to school following Half Term



Class Dojo Message Update

If you have any concerns, please contact your child's **class teacher** in the first instance.
It is not usual practice for Learning Support Assistants to be contacted directly via Class Dojo.

Class teachers will respond when they are able to do so.

Please note that:

- Responses should not be expected outside of school hours.
- It may be difficult for staff to reply during teaching time.

For **urgent queries**, please contact the school office directly. The office will ensure your message is passed on to the relevant staff member.

If you would like to arrange a time to speak with staff working with your child, this can be organised either over the phone or face to face at a mutually convenient time.

For **out-of-hours urgent queries**, please remember that our school emergency number remains available as a point of contact.

Thank you for your continued support.



Important Meeting for our New Reception Parents and Carers

Friday 10th October 9.00am

Hosted by Miss Thomas

Come along to find out more about how you can support your child with their reading in school and at home



For children turning four years old during the academic year and starting Reception in September 2026, the birth date range is generally **1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022**.

We will be hosting an Open Evening at 3.45pm on Wednesday 19th November for anyone considering applying for a place in Reception for September 2026.

The invite is extended to current Nursery parents and carers as there is no automatic entry to Reception.

We hope to see you there.