

## THE PINEHURST PRESS Experience ~ Excel ~ Enjoy

A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School

### Teaching and Le earning



Religious Education makes a distinctive contribution to the school curriculum by developing pupils' knowledge and understanding of religion, religious beliefs, practices, language and traditions and their influence on individuals, communities, societies and cultures.

Leading RE at Pinehurst is Miss Malone



Happy St David's Day

On Sunday it is the feast day of Saint David, the patron saint of Wales, and falls on 1st March, the date of Saint David's death in 589 AD. Traditional festivities include wearing daffodils and leeks, recognised symbols of Wales and Saint David respectively, eating traditional Welsh food including cawl and Welsh rarebit, and women wearing traditional Welsh dress.

#### Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

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Year Group	Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
R	Ash	90.87%	127 school
R	Oak	93.06%	204
1	Elm	92.67%	193
1	Cherry	92.27%	152
2	Fir	91.71%	139
2	Yew	94.13%	263
3	Cedar	92.85%	<b>428</b> ⊗
3	Hazel	93.44%	404
4	Chestnut	95.97% 😊	248
4	Holly	91.65%	257
5	Maple	93.92%	150
5	Sycamore	94.97%	175
6	Birch	91.09%	351
6	Willow	92.42%	236
Whole School		92.93%	3327 😕



'Fill your life with experiences not things. Have stories to tell not stuff to show.' Anon



**TS** Education Welfare Officer

Our EWO is Mrs Carol Deering and she works with us to promote good attendance and punctuality at school. If you are having difficulties getting your child into school and on time please speak with Ms Wigelsworth who can offer you support or signpost you to the EWO service.



The Scholastic Book Fair will be in the Hall every night next week until 4.00pm.

Come along and spend your World Book Day Voucher on a new book.

#### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March

#### World Book Day Character Dress Up

We are celebrating World Book Day next Thursday, come to school dressed as your favourite character from a book. Bring some clues along on Thursday and see if your friends can guess who you are coming as!

Parents and Carers are invited into classes for

WORLD BOOK DAY 5 MARCH 2020

Storytime on World Book Day at 2.45pm.



Mrs Platt and 3 Year 6 Pupils went to Mellwood to celebrate Global Scouse day TODAY!



We will be completing events in School for Sport Relief and on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March pupils may come to school wearing something sporty.

Coming up ....

Wear Blue for Bobby Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March



Suggested donation £1

Our Next Well Being Coffee Morning with our Learning Mentor Ms Wigelsworth is on 26<sup>th</sup> March 9.00-10.30am

#### Pinehurst Recommended Reads....

'Beetle Boy' by M.G.Leonard.

A darkly funny adventure - Darkus can't believe his eyes when a huge insect drops out of the trouser leg of his unpleasant new neighbour. It's a giant beetle and it seems to want to communicate! The perfect read for young entomologists - we've discovered

fascinating facts about beetles, and those who love cliff-hangers and action packed mysteries



# <sup>®</sup>maths challenge

If 14 is the answer, what is the question?

See how many different mathematical questions you can write that have the answer 14. E.g. 20-6 = The number of sides on a square, squared



British Science Week takes place between

6<sup>th</sup> -15th March 2020 -

it is a ten-day celebration of science, technology,

#### engineering and maths

#### Some Physics Magic Tricks to try at home

**Sticky Rice:** Get a clean jam jar. Fill to the top with rice. Hold the jar firmly with one hand, push a pencil right to the bottom. Pull the pencil up slowly but not all the way out. The push it back down again. If the rice level starts to drop, top up the rice. Eventually, the rice will compact around your pencil, and you will be able to lift the whole jar with the pencil. When this happens, the friction between the pencil and rice is so large that you cannot easily pull the pencil out!

Bend water with static electricity: Blow up a balloon and rub it against your head to build up a static charge. Do this for several minutes to really get a decent charge. Then, turn a tap on: it should be on enough for a steady but slow stream of water to come out, not just drips. Bring the balloon close to the stream of water and observe what happens!

<u>Super bouncing:</u> Grab a tennis ball. Drop it on the floor and see how high it bounces. Now grab a basketball. Drop it on the floor and see how high it bounces. Now put the tennis ball on top of the basketball; support the basketball with one hand and the tennis ball with the other. Drop your two balls at exactly the same time. Now go and ask next-door for your tennis ball back.

We break up for Easter –Spring Break on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April