

# THE PINEHURST PRESS

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A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School



Writing is an incredibly important practical life skill. While developing great writing skills requires lots of time and patience, you can help your child in these simple ways.

Lots of reading, frequent writing time in a special writing area, and incorporating fun writing activities and games will all go a long way to giving writing skills a boost.

### Strategies to help:

Read ... a lot! Great writers magpie ideas. Be inspired by different authors - use some of their ideas.

Get familiar with various writing styles.

Work with a partner. Bounce ideas off one another.

Read your writing aloud to yourself.

Write every day - a diary

Leading English at Pinehurst Miss Jones and Miss Thomas

# Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year Group	Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
R	Ash	97.3 %	168
R	Oak	85.8 % 🙁	242 🙁
1	Cherry	92.5 %	114
1	Elm	93.9 %	117
2	Fir	94.8%	52
2	Yew	94.6%	27 😉
3	Cedar	96.7%	37
3	Hazel	89.2%	62
4	Chestnut	96.3 %	82
4	Holly	92.4%	232
5	Maple	93.7 %	53
5	Sycamore	97.9 % 😉	111
6	Birch	97.5 %	66 \$\$\text{\$\circ}\$
6	Willow	94.5 %	52
Whole School		94.06%	

We have started the new half term with whole school attendance of ... 94.06% Remember that our target is 97%+ and we need everyone to work this us to help us achieve this.



'Not too many people can walk a mile in your shoes. Only you know your struggles, challenges and obstacles; so be proud of how far you have come.' Edmond Mbiaka

> School Contact Number for Emergencies 07858 739336

Importance of School Attendance			
0 days off school in a year 0 lessons missed	100%	Perfect attendance	
2 days off school in a year 10 lessons missed	99%	Excellent attendance	
5 days off school in a year 25 lessons missed	97%	Good attendance	
10 days off school in a year 50 lessons missed	95%	Slightly below average attendance	
14 days off school in a year 70 lessons missed	93%	Poor attendance	
20 days off school in a year 100 lessons missed	90%	Very poor attendance	

#### **Nursery Applications**

If you, a friend or family member have a child who is currently 2 years old, and would like them to attend our Little Acorns Nursery upon turning 3, please ensure your applications are handed in to the school office to secure your place on the waiting list.

Additionally we have our Little Pine Cones provision for children who are 2 years old. Please visit the school office to enquire about an admissions form if this is of interest to you.



If you need to speak with your child's class teacher please arrange a mutually convenient time or contact the school office. Please be reminded that staff spend their time before the children start school and after they have been dismissed carrying out planning and preparation for lessons. The end of the day is often more convenient due to time constraints. If the matter you need to discuss is urgent a member of staff will always make the necessary arrangements to speak with you in person or on the telephone. Thank you



## Monthly Cook-A-Long

We have noticed just how many of you have been enjoying cooking together over lockdown, and have been building on this, with some more opportunities for you to enjoy cooking together as a family.

With the support of Mrs Wright and 'Apple of My Eye' we have been offering monthly ingredients packs for our cook-a-long.

The link for the recipe is posted on Class Dojo each month and you can choose to join in at home with your own ingredients or return the slip alongside to have your ingredients supplied by school.

We hope that lots of you will choose to continue to join in and develop some new skills and enjoy the opportunity to cook together as a family.

This month it is Veggie Risotto... If you would like an ingredients pack on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, please return the reply slip alongside by Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you.



Please ensure that your child has sun cream applied before school and brings a sun hat and water bottle if some warmer weather arrives.

Thank you for your understanding.



Dates for your diary...
We break up on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July
We will advise on arrangements for dismissal
later in the term.
Pupils return on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022

If you are a PLUS DANE resident please return the survey that you have received. We are working with PLUS DANE on the responses to this to support the local community.



I would like a Veggie Risotto Ingredients pack for the June Cook-A-Long

Name of child: _	
Class:	