



Newsletter

February 2022

What a Stunning Start!

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been an exciting start to the term with lots going on - many of the topics across the school have started with a bang! We have welcomed many visitors to launch the topics including Ancient Greeks (Year 5), Stone Age (Year 3) and Crime and Punishment (Year 6) for the 'Stunning Starts' – thank you for your support to help fund these projects.

This month we have welcomed our wonderful team of reading volunteers across the school. Thank you to our team of parents/carers who are dedicating an afternoon a week to hear readers. This is making a big difference! If you would like to become a volunteer please contact us at office@pinnerwood.co.uk

We have been excited to see the plans for our playground project. A huge thanks to Georgiana Lisk and Jo Unwin from Acorn Business Consultancy for donating their time and funds to make this possible. More details are included in this newsletter.

On a less positive note, covid is still very much among us. We have had a steady run of cases across the school and throughout the staff team this term. Thank you for continuing to test your children and keep them off if they have symptoms. Please inform the office if they are off by emailing attendance@pinnerwood.co.uk. We will set work for Covid positive children who are feeling well. Please note we cannot set work if children are travelling/have travelled abroad or if they are sick for other reasons. We have had some requests over the past week.

Miss Sarah Marriott

Booking Lunches

From half term, you will be able to book a hot lunch for your child up until **midday the day before**. However, please continue to book as far in advance as possible as this ensures the kitchen can have all menu options available for all children every day.

Coffee Morning/Community Choir

We have some family events coming up. Fliers will be sent but to remind you.

- Friday 4th February 9am** – ARMs Consultation – come and have your say on the proposed ARMs unit
- Friday 11th February 9am**- oracy morning- come and hear about how we are teaching children oracy.
- Friday 4th March 1.30pm**- Year 6 KS2 SATs and PGL information. Meeting on Zoom – code to follow.





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Prefects

Welcome to our fabulous new team of Spring Term Prefects (Year 6) and Junior Prefects (Year 2). You are doing a great job of helping us run the school! Our junior prefects are currently running a homework buddy system with years 3 and 4.

Attendance

You will be aware that we take attendance very seriously at Pinner Wood and 97% is always our aim. We hold an attendance raffle each week in assembly to celebrate great attendance. Whilst we understand that sometimes pupils are sick (and Covid has impacted everyone), it is so important that they attend school every day. We have shared our poster to explain how good attendance benefits your child.



February dates

- See Last Page
- **Advanced Warning**
- **Thursday 3rd March –** World Book Day children can dress up.
- **Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th March –** Parent Consultation Evenings.
- (Year 6 will be on Tuesday and Thursday) that week.

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Congratulations to Miss Abubarkar AKA (Miss Abi) who will take over as Out of School Hours Manager from today – we know the children will be in great hands.

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World Thinking Day - 22nd February 2022

Calling all Rainbows, Brownies, Beavers and Cubs – you can come in your pack uniforms on this day.





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The PW Values

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Our values

"Be thoughtful, considerate, forgiving and generous. Treat people how you would like to be treated. Be understanding, empathetic and go out of your way to help others. Be kind to yourself; make sensible and healthy choices to enable you to live life to the full."

Barney Badger

Choose kind

Our values

Heart of our community

Betty Bee

"Celebrate being part of our diverse community and contribute what you can to make Pinner Wood a special place to be. Know you belong to our community, all of us together as one."

Our values

Bonnie Bird

Dream big

"Be ambitious and interested in your future. Be curious, dedicated and unstoppable. Aim to create an exciting and beautiful world for us to live in together. Reach for the stars!"

Our values

"Have fun whilst enjoying learning – wonder at the discovery of new things and delight in having new experiences. As we grow we learn – and as we learn, we grow."

Ozzie Owl

Enjoy learning

Our values

Strength through positivity

Hari Hedgehog

"Be resilient in mind and body. Keep going when things get tough. Be optimistic and know that you can overcome challenges. Be solution focused and forward thinking. You can do it!"

Our values

Sammy Squirrel

Step up

"Be you! Be proud of who you are! Take responsibility for your actions, stand by your ideas and support our school. Go the extra mile to make Pinner Wood a better place – because of you."

Strength Through Positivity Day

We love our Pinner Wood values. This half term we are focusing on:

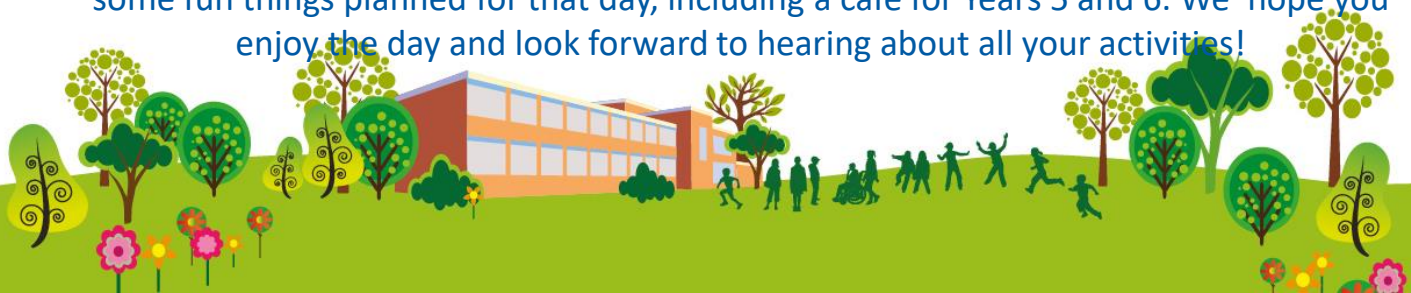
'Strength through Positivity.'

On Friday 11th February we will have a 'Strength Through Positivity Day.'

Our Values Ambassadors have the following information:

Dear Pinner Wood,

The Values Champions would like to thank you for participating in this Strength Through Positivity half-term and we hope you are enjoying it so far. If you just give up, you will never know what you could have accomplished, so come on -say it with us: strength through positivity is always the answer, listen to us we're positivity masters! There are some fun things planned for that day, including a café for Years 5 and 6. We hope you enjoy the day and look forward to hearing about all your activities!





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Pinner Wood Playground Project

We are excited to have access to the 'dream big' plans for our Year 5/6 playground project. The aim is to change the 'yard' into an exciting play space for all children.

Over the last few months, we have been working with the wonderful team from Acorn Business Consultancy. Georgiana and Jo have shown us what could be possible. We now need to make the plans come to life!

Our wonderful 'Friends of Pinner Wood' will be concentrating on the fundraising efforts and have a range of activities planned for the rest of the year. If you can help with this, please let us know.

In addition, we would love to hear from anyone with an interest/skill in this area and can help join our playground working party – construction workers, anyone with links to funding, artists, designers, those who are willing to give a few hours to help out! We will be holding a zoom meeting on the **7th March at 6.00 pm** and a coffee morning on the **10th March at 9.00 am** to launch the plans. If you are interested, please come along.

A Message from our Head Squad

Dear parents and carers,

What a busy month we've had at Pinner Wood!

Some of the highlights of this term include our girl's fabulous football team leading us to glory with a 5-1 win. We've also had the boys football team playing multiple great matches! Adding on to that, we have had a historical month involving the Greek, Romans, Anglo-Saxon and an amazing Crime and Punishment day! Thank you to the wonderful Pinner Wood teachers who have taken the time to plan our great lessons! Also, we want to give a special shout out to our spectacular catering team (Pabulummm) for giving us a delicious spread of Chinese Food!

For those who celebrate, Happy Chinese New Year!
Enjoy the rest of your term and have a fabulous half term.

Best wishes from the head squad at Pinner Wood

Hala, Adam, Maya, Odette, Aarush & Jake

Lunch Changes

A warm welcome to Linda Dawson who has been appointed as Head Chef at Pinner Wood – we are excited to work with you.





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Spring Dates- Value 'Strength Through Positivity'

Date	Event	Notes
Friday 4 th February	New Prefect Assembly- families invited,	
Friday 4 th February	ARMS Unit consultation 9am in Den	
Thursday 10 th Feb	RE Day – whole school	
****Thursday 10th Feb (Change of Date)	Birthday Bunch – Children and staff with birthdays from 1st January – 20th Feb – can come in party/ own clothes	
Friday 11 th Feb	Strength through Positivity Morning Children can come as superheroes or in own clothes.	
Friday 11 th Feb - PM	Fall in Love with a book - PM	
HALF TERM 14th 18th Feb		
Monday 21 st February	Sagano (Year 4) Class Swimming starts – two weeks.	
Tuesday 22 nd February	World Thinking Day – All Girl Guiding and beaver/ Cubs can wear uniform to school	
Thursday 3 rd March	World Book Day – children are welcome to dress up	
W.b. 7 th March	Global Goals Week	
w.b. 7 th March	Daintree Class Swimming – 2 weeks	
w.b. 21 st March	Sherwood Class Swimming – 2 weeks	
Tuesday 8 th March	Parent/ Carer Evening Sign Up 8am	
Tuesday 15 th March	Instrumental Music Concert- orchestra and soloists	Time TBA
Tuesday 22 nd March	Year 6 Parent/ Career Evening – Face to Face	3.30-6pm
Wednesday 23 rd March	Parent Carers evenings – Year Nursery – Year 5 - Face to Face	3.30-6pm
Wednesday 23 rd March	Year 6 Voice in a Million	
Thursday 24 th March	Parent Carer Evening – Reception to Year 6- Online	3.30-6pm
Thursday 24 th March	RE day – whole School	
Friday 25 th March	Birthday Bunch -Children and staff with birthdays from 21 st Feb- 18 th April – can come in party/ own clothes	
29 th March, 30 th March and 31 st March	Year 3/4 Show 29 th March – 9.15am, 30 th March 1.30pm, 31 st March 9.15am	
1 st April	Term Ends at 1.30om Non-Uniform Day	Please note we cannot authorise any term time holiday requests

