



Newsletter

End of Autumn Term 2021



Termly Round Up...

Dear Families,

What a term it has been! So many wonderful and positive things have happened at Pinner Wood. It has been great to have some kind of normality back in school – the trips, clubs, school events assemblies that we missed so much last year! The Pinner Wood 'heart of our community' value has been so strong.

The children have definitely 'enjoyed learning' and stepped up to all the new challenges. This month, we had a visit from leaders of the 'Big Education Trust' – they commented on how 'warm and creative' Pinner Wood was. We were thrilled with this summary as this is what we aim to create via our values.

Sadly, the Covid cloud still lingers on and I want to thank all of our families for taking such a sensible approach – for informing us of cases quickly and keeping family members off until you are sure they are negative. In order to keep as safe as possible, we have limited numbers of guests to shows and this week kept staff off if a household member tests positive. We have not wanted to take any chances and thank you for supporting these measures. If you are travelling over the holidays please plan in time to receive PCR results before returning to school.

A huge THANK YOU to all the members of the Pinner Wood team. They have worked so hard to ensure that the children have had a really brilliant term. It has felt productive and exciting at Pinner Wood. This is down to the hard work and determination of our fabulous team. A special mention goes to Miss Copas who has been a brilliant Acting Assistant Head – Palm class are very lucky!

I wish you all a happy (and safe) holiday and a Merry Christmas. Thank you for your continued support of Pinner Wood. We look forward to all the wonderful things the new year will bring. If the World remains bleak we will ensure the sun shines at PW!

Miss Sarah Marriott



Keep Reading at Pinner Wood
[Reading Agency- Winter Challenge](#)
Check this out and bring your certificate to
school in
January or upload to Seesaw.





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An Action-Packed Term!

Here are some of the highlights:

- Global Goals week
- Meet the teacher evenings
- Sukkot Festival
- Bounce back into reading competition
- Year 1 Harvest Festival Assembly
- PW Vision parents session
- Observed maths lessons across the school
- Rock Kidz Key stage 2 children
- Pupil progress meetings for every child
- Parents evenings – virtually and in person
- Parents session on Tapestry, Seesaw, Read Write Inc and Maths passports
- Family Maths calculation evening
- Trips – Verulamium, Bekonscot, Science Museum, Headstone Manor
- Swimming Year 6 and Woodstock
- RE days
- Diwali assembly – Year 4
- Orchestra trip to Royal Festival Hall
- Reception Owl Visit
- Friends of PW – Halloween and Christmas Fairs
- Bus in playground
- New outdoor classroom
- Opening of the Media Suite
- Perform Drama Workshops
- Sports – Football and netball matches, Rugby Tournament
- Year 2 trip to Church, Year 4 trip to the Temple
- EYFS and Key Stage 1 – Christmas Show
- Panto trip
- Christmas dinner
- Talent Show

Well Done - Year 2

90% of our Year 2 passed the phonics check – an amazing achievement! 100% have made excellent progress. We are so proud.

Dates for Next Term

- **Wednesday 5th January** – Children Back

Advance Notice

- Parents/ Carers Evening
23rd/ 24th March

Oracy Event for adults:

Friday 4th February @
9.00am

Farewell..

To Miss Ede (Year 6) Thank you for everything you have done this term.

Partial farewell to Miss Arnold – thank you so much and we will see you on Fridays !

Thank You

Thank you to our fabulous Friends of PW and everyone who supported our Christmas Fair – a record £5000+ was raised.





A Message from PW Chair of Governors

December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

It was great to welcome the children back in September, with school trips and clubs slowly being reintroduced. We all hope this more normal school life is able to continue safely.

Heartfelt thanks from all of us on the Governing Body go to teachers and staff for their resilience and determination to ensure all children catch up with their learning journey. We are very proud of their enthusiasm and drive to make Pinner Wood such a great place to learn. All have embodied our school values of Stepping Up and Strength through Positivity.

Our thanks also go to Friends of Pinner Wood for their tireless fundraising on behalf of the pupils. This year, the money raised will be put towards new playground equipment for Year 5 and 6 children. On their behalf, thank you to all who contributed for your generosity.

With the Autumn term drawing to a close, we wanted to celebrate the achievements of the past three months, and the progress made against our strategic objectives, in spite of the on-going challenges of the pandemic:

- Our greatest priority is always the pupils, we are delighted to see the progress made across the school. Our strategies to ensure “no child misses out” are in place and showing positive results.
- We set out to develop the use of technology within the school and invested significantly in this area. Since September, there are now 15 iPads available per class, which gives pupils the opportunity to learn and practice skills fundamental to navigate the world they live in.
- The refurbishment of the multimedia suite is now complete, this is very exciting news as it provides a platform for pupils to showcase their creative and oracy skills.
- Pinner Wood received the Harrow Go Green award for its positive contribution to the community and environment. Thank you to all involved in designing, creating and maintaining the meadow and garden areas, including the families who took part in the Gardening Club.

The last few months have brought changes to the Governing Body as well. We said goodbye to Carolyn Hector and to Josh Berle: thank you both for all your time, contributions and commitment. We warmly welcome Georgiana Lisk (co-opted governor), Tuli Palit and Rinku Harjani (parent governors) and congratulate Emma Kelly for being re-elected. Thank you to all who participated in the recent parent governor election – we are lucky to have a dedicated community willing to put themselves forward.

To kick off 2022, our focus will be on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: what this means to us as a school, and ways we can improve further. Workshops are taking place on 4th January, and we are looking forward to seeing some of you there.

To find out more about the Governing Body, what we do, our plans and our committees, please visit the school [website](#) or get in touch via our email address governors@pinnerwood.co.uk
Wishing you a safe and happy holiday.

Ophélie Barbet
Chair of Governors





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A message from our Head Squad

Dear Families,

Wow! What a term it's been!

Thank you to everybody for their support and dedication for what has been a busy but fun and successful term.

To end this spectacular term, we have celebrated a busy Christmas week!

Thank you to Pabulum, and the catering staff who provided a scrumptious Christmas lunch for all the children and teachers.

Years 1, 2 and 3 had a wonderful time at the pantomime on Wednesday, years 4, 5 and 6 enjoyed a Christmas service at St. Edmunds Church on Tuesday and would like to say thank you to Father Michael for hosting us.

On Monday, Year 6 went to Northwood high school and enjoyed their annual Christmas performance.

For all those celebrating, we wish you all a very happy Christmas and a happy new year! Have a wonderful holiday and we can't wait to see everyone back at school on Wednesday 5th January 2022.

From the Head Squad

Hala, Adam, Maya, Jake, Odette and Aarush



Thank you to all of the parents and carers who brought in gifts for the staff, they are very much appreciated.

