



Newsletter

July 2018



The Final Countdown...

Dear Parent/Carers,

Welcome to the last monthly newsletter of this year. It is very busy at Pinner Wood at the moment. In the last few weeks, all year groups have been on trips or had a 'highlight' come into school. It has been wonderful for myself and other senior leaders to be part of these. We are always so impressed by the behaviour of our children; they are always so polite and very grateful for the opportunities they are given. It is always a pleasure taking them out and asking them to represent Pinner Wood. Thank you as always to all our hard-working staff for making these events possible.

Well done to our Reception children for their fantastic class assembly on Friday – it was a joy to watch! At the end of term I will send you a round up of all the exciting things that have happened this year, but if you can't wait that long, please come to our Coffee Afternoon at 2pm on Tuesday 3rd July where we will be talking about this.

Miss Sarah Marriott



New Play Equipment

I am so pleased that we have the play equipment installed and in action for Years 3/4 and 1/2. They are really enjoying it. Thank you to the amazing Friends Committee for making it happen. Thanks also go to Tesco's Bags of Help and The Pinner Association for their donations towards it.

As with all physical activity, there is an element of risk and we are ensuring it is well supervised during school time. However, we cannot do this before and after school. I have asked the children not to use it at these times. If they do, it is under parental responsibility and we cannot be responsible for any accidents that may happen at this time.

Events

There have been so many things happening this term that I can't possibly write about them all but highlights include...

- Nursery – Farm Visit to Pinner Wood.
- Reception – Show to parents (Willows trip next week)
- Year 1 – Trip to Ruislip Lido
- Year 2 – Trip to Woburn Safari Park
- Year 2 – Reptile Encounter
- Year 3 – Picnic at Montesole
- Years 3/4 – Cricket Festival
- Year 4 – British Museum Trip (90 pupils travelled by Tube and it was a huge success)
- Selected Year 5--visit to Hillingdon Outdoor Activity Centre.
- Year 5 - Visiting Opera
- Year 6 - Residential to PGL
- Years 5 /6 – Athletics at Borough Sports Day
- KS2 choir - Taken part in The Harrow Schools' Song Festival.
- Gifted and Talented Art Trip to the Tate Museum

Please look at our Twitter page for more information on these events @PinnerWoodSch





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Introducing our New Staff

As you are aware, there are no teachers leaving this year. However, some are going on maternity leave and we are expanding by one class. We recruited in the Spring and had a very strong field. I am please to welcome:

- Miss Gemma Haberman (Year 5) (An experienced and outstanding primary teacher relocating from Manchester. Her specialism is computing.)
- Miss Emily Thomas (Year 2) (An NQT (new teacher), she has taught at Pinner Wood before and the children love her. She has qualified with outstanding results and her passions are music and drama.)
- Mr Danny Walmsley (Year 5) (An NQT relocating from the North. He came down to teach and we were so impressed by what we saw. His subject is PE.)
- Miss Charlotte Wright (Year 4) (Currently an experienced and outstanding secondary science and PE teacher who is moving to primary. Her experience will add to our skilled team.)

The children will find out their classes at our open evening on **Monday 16th July at 5.30-7pm**. All teachers will be available on this evening. Please join us if you can. They will then go to their new teachers for a session on Tuesday 17th July.



July Dates

Tuesday 3rd July - Coffee Afternoon 2 pm.

Thursday 5th July – Willows Farm – Reception

Thursday 12th July – Sports Day 9.15 am Start

Friday 13th July – School Reports out

Saturday 14th July – Summer Fair 11 am – 2 pm

Monday 16th July – Display Evening 6 – 7.30 pm

Tuesday 17th July – Children visit their new classes

Wednesday 18th July – Year 6 Show

News – Mrs Adcock

Mrs Adcock will go on Maternity Leave at the end of this week. We wish her lots of luck (and sleep) for the months ahead. Mrs Adcock leads on Personal, Social and Health Education – this includes walk to school, our travel plan, and how positive behaviours work. Mrs Mohr will take over this role whilst she is away.

Parent Pay

We are aware that times are changing and cheque books are fast becoming a thing of the past. Therefore, we are making a move to Parent Pay. This means that you will be able to pay for school meals, trips, The Den and uniform online.

We realise that this is a change that is much needed and which will hopefully make life easier for our families. The office team will be in touch shortly with instructions on what to do.

Great Food ...Coming Soon...

Exciting news: we have just secured a new catering contract with Pabulum. They will take over our lunch service from September. We have been to visit other schools they work with and it looks fantastic! Please watch this space and we will update you with more information very soon.

