

# Newsletter

2nd of November 2021



@OasisPinewood



## Welcome to autumn two!

#Proud to be Pinewood



## Principal's Letter

Dear Families,

The children and staff have hit the ground running this autumn. We are pleased to have launched our new Oasis curriculum in key stages one and two and can already see its impact on the children's learning and wellbeing.

Reading regularly at home and at school is key to ensuring our children make the best possible progress and develop a love of reading for life. Thank you to all families who are making sure the children read at least 5 times a week at home and that reading records are signed. Our family library is filling up with your donations—thank you all so much. The Amazon wishlists are still available should anyone else like to donate a book. Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,



Ms J. Elliott

Please follow us on our Facebook pages

### Ready for School

Our three school rules are "ready, respectful and safe". Please help your child(ren) to be ready for their day by ensuring they are on time to school every day and that they have the correct equipment they need for their day including their iPads charged (reception to year six). PE is a vital part of the curriculum and the children should have correct PE kit in school at all times. Please also send in the children's reading books and reading record and a bottle filled with water each day.

### Staff farewell

Sadly we said goodbye to Mrs Shepherd our wonderful TA at the end of half term. Mrs Shepherd worked across the school for over 20 years and has supported and cared for so many Pinewood children over the years. Mrs Shepherd will be sorely missed and we thank her for all she has done for the children and school.

### Assemblies

This term we have returned to in-person assemblies in phases. On Mondays, Tuesday and Wednesdays these take place in phases. On Thursdays in class and on Fridays we have a whole school celebration assembly on Teams. There is always a special child guest who helps present it.

## Thought of the Day



## Oasis 9 Habits

|         |           |                 |
|---------|-----------|-----------------|
| Patient | Forgiving | Self-controlled |
| Humble  | Honest    | Considerate     |
| Joyful  | Hopeful   | Compassionate   |

November's 9 Habit is "Hopeful". We are learning to think about the future and set goals

## Wheelers E-Library

All reception to year six children have access to an electronic library through their iPads. They can borrow e-books and audio books through this platform. Please do encourage your child to borrow books regularly. If your child is unsure how to use this please ask their class teacher who will be happy to help

## Introducing the academy leadership team

We have had many new families join us this year so here is an outline of the leadership team at Pinewood:

Ms Elliott—Principal and deputy designated safeguarding lead

Ms Lewis—Deputy principal, SENCO and designated safeguarding lead

Mrs Gadsden—Assistant principal and overall key stage two phase leader

Miss Cosgree—Key stage one phase leader

Mrs Murphy—EYFS phase leader

Miss Hall—Year 3 and 4 phase leader

Most other teachers also lead at least one curriculum area so please do ask your child's class teacher if you would like to be put in touch regarding specific curriculum advice and support.

Please do get in touch if you need any advice or have a question. Your child's class teacher is your first point of contact and is always happy to help.

## Covid safety

Please make sure that if your child has a **new cough, fever or change in sense of smell or taste they do not come to school** and you book them a PCR covid test (not a lateral flow test) Please keep us informed of any results.

## Keeping in touch

We use email to communicate with our families and rarely send paper letters. Please check your email daily for updates. Please always make sure we have the most up to date email address, address and phone number for you. If your child is unwell, please call the office first thing in the morning to let us know.

## Online Safety

The internet provides our children with amazing opportunities but also some risk. Please check the apps your child is using, many are unsuitable for children. If you need support with internet safety, please talk to your child's class teacher or a member of the leadership team who will be happy to assist.

# Dates 2021-22



|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| <b>November</b> |   |
| 2nd             | Parents' Evening (3.30-5.30pm)                  |
| 4th             | Parents' Evening (4.00-7.00pm)                  |
|                 | Swimming (Year 6)                               |
| 11th            | Dental Flouride Team (Reception & Year 1)       |
|                 | Swimming (Year 6)                               |
| 16th            | Early Years Open Day (3.30pm & 6.00pm)          |
| 18th            | Swimming (Year 6)                               |
| 19th            | Individual and sibling photos                   |
|                 | Children In Need (no dressing up due to photos) |
| 22nd            | Children in Need event including dressing up    |
|                 | Flu immunisations                               |
| 25th            | Swimming (Year 6)                               |
| 26th            | Inset Day                                       |
| 29th            | Bikeability all week (Year 6)                   |
|                 |   |
| <b>December</b> |   |
| 2nd             | Swimming (Year 6)                               |
| 7th             | Trip to Chessington Zoo (Nursery & Reception)   |
| 9th             | Swimming (Year 6)                               |
| 13th            | Hall of Fame celebration                        |
| 14th            | Flu immunisations                               |
| 17th            | Last day of term                                |
|                 |   |
| Christmas       | 20th December - 3rd January                     |
| Holidays        | 4th January (inset day)                         |
|                 |   |
| <b>January</b>  |   |
| 5th             | Children return to school                       |
| 10th            | EYFS Open Day (3.30pm & 6.00pm)                 |
|                 |   |
| <b>February</b> |   |
| Half Term       | 14th - 18th February                            |
|                 |   |
| <b>March</b>    |   |
| 10th            | Parents' Evening (5.00-7.00pm)                  |
| 14th            | Parents' Evening (3.30-5.30pm)                  |
|                 |   |
| <b>April</b>    |   |
| Easter          | 4th - 18th April                                |
| Holidays        |   |
| 19th            | Children return to school                       |

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|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| <b>May</b>  |   |
| 9th-12th    | KS2 SATS (Year 6)                         |
| Half Term   | 30th May - 3rd June                       |
|             |   |
| <b>June</b> |   |
| 14th        | KS2 Sports Day (9.30-11.00am)             |
| 15th        | KS1 Sports Day (9.30-11.00am)             |
| 16th        | EYFS Sports Day (9.30-11.00am)            |
| 24th        | Inset Day                                 |
|             |   |
| <b>July</b> |   |
| 4th-6th     | PGL Trip (Year 6)                         |
| 21st        | Last day in school for children and staff |
|             |   |
| Summer      | 22nd July - 31st August                   |
| holidays    |   |