

THE PINEHURST PRESS

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A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School



Working Together for Our Pupils' Success

At Pinehurst Primary School, we believe that children thrive when parents, carers, teachers, support staff, and school leaders work together as a strong and positive team. Our shared goal is simple: to give every child the best possible start to their education, prepare them for the next phase of their learning journey, and help them grow into confident, capable adults who contribute positively to society.

Open, honest communication lies at the heart of this partnership. We encourage parents and carers to speak with us regularly—whether to share concerns, celebrate successes, or simply stay informed. Clear communication helps us understand each child more fully and respond to their needs effectively.

Supporting Learning at Home with small daily routines can make a big difference:

Listening to your child read helps build fluency, confidence, and enjoyment.

Supporting homework reinforces classroom learning and encourages independent study habits.

Your involvement shows children that learning matters both in and out of school.

We warmly invite families to take part in school events, workshops, and celebrations. When children see adults engaging with the school community, it strengthens their sense of belonging and pride.

We value parents and carers as critical partners in education. Your insights, suggestions, and questions are important to us.

Together, we can ensure that decisions made are always in the best interests of our pupils.

Good attendance is the foundation of success. Each day in school supports progress, builds relationships, and helps children develop the routines they need for future learning and life.

By working side-by-side, we can support every child to grow, achieve, and shine. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to the Pinehurst Primary School community.

Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

Year Group	Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
R	Ash	97.2%	24
R	Oak	94.1%	15 😊
1	Elm	96.3%	129
1	Cherry	92.6%	108
2	Fir	95.6%	378 😞
2	Yew	96.6%	225
3	Cedar	96.6%	127
3	Hazel	98.6% 😊	122
4	Chestnut	96.9%	127
4	Holly	98.2%	113
5	Maple	92.2% 😞	277
5	Sycamore	92.7%	287
6	Birch	96.7%	205
6	Willow	95.7%	187

Attendance this week is 95.7% Remember our Target 97+%



If your child isn't well enough to attend school then you must call EVERY DAY to provide a reason. We must know why children are not present on a daily basis as part of our safequarding duty.

If your child is persistently absent or has a history of persistent absenteeism medical evidence will be requested to confirm the reason for their absence.

Thank you for your cooperation.



DAILY REMINDER

"Success is
earned one
day at a time.
Start by
showing up."





Good school attendance supports children to feel confident and happy about school and learning

As a parent you can support your child to enjoy school life to the full by ensuring they attend school EVERY day and also arrive on time.



This term ends on Friday 19th December

We have INSET on 5th January

Children return to school on Tuesday 6th January 2026



Please ensure that the office has the <u>correct</u> <u>numbers</u> for <u>3 emergency contacts</u>. This is part of our safeguarding policy to ensure we can reach someone in the event of an emergency.



Our Christmas Plan

Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Thursday 11th December

> Christmas Crafts Monday 15th December

EYFS Nativity at St Columba's Church Tuesday 16th December

Christmas Carols at St Columba's Church Wednesday 17th December

Christmas Party Day Including Party lunch and a special visitor Thursday 18th December

Finish for Christmas Holidays
Friday 19th December at 1.40pm
Nursery children in Little Acorns and Little Pine Cones
will finish at 11.45am on Friday

Children in Need

Thank you for your support.



Total raised...

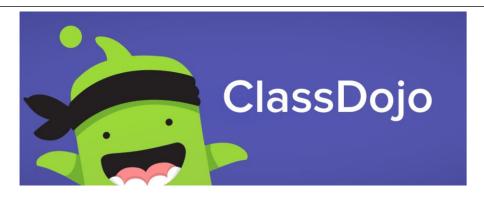
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Applications for Reception Admissions

All Little Acorns Nursery Parents and Carers must apply

Closing Date: 15th January 2026



To ensure effective communication and maintain a healthy balance for both families and staff, we would like to share some guidelines for contacting teachers through ClassDojo.

Contact Times

- Teachers will respond to messages during school hours, typically between 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM,
 Monday to Friday.
- Please allow up to **24 hours** for a response to your message. If your inquiry is urgent, we recommend contacting the school office directly.

Message Etiquette

- **Purpose of Messages**: Use ClassDojo for questions, quick updates, or non-urgent concerns regarding your child's learning or well-being.
 - Professional Tone: Kindly keep all communications respectful and concise.
- After-Hours Messages: While you may send messages outside of school hours, please note that teachers will address them during the next working day.

We greatly appreciate your cooperation in making ClassDojo a helpful and positive tool for communication.

Thank you for supporting our staff as they focus on providing the best education for your children.

Remember staff are available at pick up at the end of the school day to speak with and if you need a longer conversation a meeting at a mutually convenient time can be arranged.

To ensure a smooth and safe start to the school day for everyone, we kindly ask for your cooperation with the following drop-off guidelines:

Drop-Off at the Gate: Please leave your child at the school gate and allow them to walk independently into the school. This fosters confidence and ensures a steady flow during drop-off.

Pass Messages to Staff on Duty: If you have important information to share, kindly speak with the staff members present at the gate. They are happy to assist and relay messages as needed.

School Access: Parents and guardians should not enter the school building unless accompanied by a staff member. This helps maintain security and minimizes disruptions during the morning routine.

Avoid Blocking the Gate: Please be mindful of others by not lingering near the gate. This helps keep the area clear and accessible for all.

Be Considerate: Drop-off time is busy. Be aware of other families and children, and ensure everyone can access the school safely and efficiently.

Your support is invaluable in creating a positive and safe environment for all students. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Ms Wigelsworth will be hosting our next Family Well Being morning next week on Thursday 27th November.

It is a chance to drop in for a coffee and a chat.

The Coffee morning runs from 9.15-11.15am in the Lower Hall.

Please come to the Main Entrance / School Office after drop off.

Come and join us for legal advice, housing support, health awareness and wellbeing services.

Additionally Mrs Glynn will be there to answer any questions or queries Parents and Carers may have.

Mrs Steers will be there for a SENDCO drop in should you have any questions for her.

Please come along, we would love to see you there.



If you would like to find out more about our work with Cheshire Academies Trust come along to a drop in with the Trust on Wednesday 10th
December at 2.45pm or 4.30pm.

