

Pinner Wood School
End of Year Message from the Governing Board
July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As another academic year draws to a close the Governing Board would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your families for your continued support, partnership and commitment to our school community. Pinner Wood is the wonderful place it is because of the children, families and staff who make it so special every single day.

This has been a year like no other for our school community. Alongside the usual rhythm of school life we have navigated a period of significant change and we want to thank you for your patience, your trust and your loyalty throughout. It has meant a great deal to us all.

There is so much to celebrate from this year. Our continued commitment to oracy remains one of the things that makes Pinner Wood truly distinctive and we are so proud of the difference it is making to your children's confidence, communication and love of learning. Our phonics results this year are also something to be incredibly proud of and are a testament to the hard work of our staff and the support so many of you give your children at home.

We would also like to take this opportunity to wish our wonderful Year 6 pupils the very best as they leave Pinner Wood and begin their next adventure at secondary school. Watching you grow over the years has been an absolute joy and we could not be prouder of the young people you have become. You will always be part of the Pinner Wood family and we know you are going to do extraordinary things. We wish you every happiness and success in the years ahead.

This year also marks the end of an era for Pinner Wood. After many years of extraordinary leadership our Headteacher Sarah Marriott will be leaving us at the end of this term. The school she has built, the culture she has created and the care she has shown to every child and family at Pinner Wood is her legacy and it will endure long after she leaves. On behalf of the whole governing board we thank her from the bottom of our hearts and wish her every happiness in the next chapter.

We are delighted to let you know that David Bower will be joining us in September as our new Headteacher. David is an experienced and values driven leader who is very much looking forward to becoming part of the Pinner Wood community. During the autumn term David will be in school every Monday so you will have the opportunity to meet him and get to know him as the term progresses. He will take up the full time role from January 2027.

We would also like to pay a very warm tribute to our Deputy Headteacher Jo Bretayne who will be stepping up as Acting Headteacher during the autumn term to provide continuity and stability for our children and families. Jo knows and loves this school deeply and we are very grateful for her commitment and leadership during this transition period.

We are confident that the year ahead will be one of smooth and well supported transition, building on the wonderful foundations that have been laid at Pinner Wood and continuing to provide the very best for every child.

We wish you and your families a very happy, restful and enjoyable summer break. Thank you for everything you do to support our school.

With kind regards,
Tuli Palit
Chair of the Governing Board
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