



PPINS NEWS

November 2018



We had good attendance at our recent parent meetings and I hope you found these informative. If you missed an appointment and we still haven't caught up with you, please speak to your child's teacher.

In our Assemblies and classroom sessions we talk to the children about behaviour—being kind, polite and friendly, how to treat others and play fairly with friends. The people that children fall out with are often those closest to them, friends and family, so we talk about how to solve arguments or stop them happening in the first place. We have been talking about playing carefully to avoid accidents and upsetting others.

Children do try to do the right thing and are always praised for their good behaviour and kind deeds but sanctions are also used as appropriate.

It continues to be a very busy term. The children are focussing on their usual work in class, and also preparing for their Christmas performances.

Karen Disspain
Headteacher

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 29th Nov—Pinner Pantomime Evening—see below
- 3rd Dec—Flu immunisations
- 7th Dec—Pantomime in school
- 10th Dec—Classes 10+11 Christmas concert 2:45pm
- 11th Dec—Classes 1+4 Christmas concert 2:45pm
- 12th Dec—Classes 9+12 Christmas concert 2:45pm
- 13th Dec—Classes 5+6 Christmas concert 9:15am
- 13th Dec—Classes 7+8 Christmas concert 10:45am
- 13th Dec—Classes 2+3 Christmas concert 2:45pm
- 14th Dec—PPPTA Christmas Fair from 2:00pm
- 17th Dec—Nursery Christmas concerts 10:45am or 2:15pm
- 18th Dec—Class Christmas Parties
- 21st Dec—End of term **2:00pm**
- 7th Jan—Staff training day, no children in school
- 8th Jan—Children return to school
- 18th-22nd Feb—Half term, school closed
- 25th Feb—Back to school

*On occasions, dates have to be altered—if for any reason this happens, we will give as much advance warning as possible.
Check dates on our website*

www.pinnerparkinfant.harrow.sch

2019 School calendars are now available from the school office, price £1.50

During the year staff in school have fund raising events. Our recent 'Pink Day' raised £416.



We wore pink, we ate pink cakes and we had a pink raffle! Many thanks to all who organised and contributed to this.

PINNER PANTOMIME EVENING



The Year 2 Choir will be performing at the Pinner Pantomime Evening on Thursday, 29th November. They will be singing at 5:30 p.m. outside Andrew Pearce at the bottom of Chapel Lane / Bridge Street—come along and listen.

Our thanks go to Mrs Acquaye and Miss Brazell for running the choir.

School admissions

Year 2 pupils do not have to apply for a place in Year 3 as we will be amalgamating into one school.

You should apply now, online at: www.harrow.gov.uk/schooladmissions or www.eadmissions.org.uk for an Infant School place (current Nursery pupils) for September 2019. Closing date is 15th January 2019.

If your child was born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016, you can apply now for a Nursery place for September 2019. Forms are available from the school office, closing date is 25th February 2019.

Attendance

- It is important that your child has good attendance in order to achieve academically and socially.
- The school day is split into two sessions (morning and afternoon) so a day's absence counts as two sessions.
- If your child's attendance gives reason for concern we will communicate this to you and may even refer your child to the Education Welfare Service (EWS).
- A child whose attendance is below 90% is categorised as a persistent absentee and this will be followed up.
- To avoid disrupting your child's education, you should arrange appointments and outings after school hours, at weekends or during school holidays.
- Holidays should not be taken during term time so please check term dates before making bookings.
- Give term dates to your extended family so they know when it's a good time to arrange 'get togethers'.
- When applying for leave please give time for this to be considered and attach a copy of any supporting documents.
- If your child is not well of course they cannot come to school, but sometimes you will need to distinguish between minor ailments and 'sniffles' that can be coped with in school and something more that may mean staying at home.
- As a school our attendance is below the National Average. We need to address this but can only do so if you make sure that your child is in school.

Rain



On wet mornings the doors open at 8.40 so the children can come straight in through their appropriate doors. Staff are available to supervise and support children in the cloakrooms.

Performances through the Year

During the year each year group gets the chance to perform for their parents/carers—for Christmas, Special Assemblies and End of Year Assemblies.

Christmas

Year 1 will be taking the lead and doing the main performance—'Happy Birthday Jesus'.

Nursery will be doing their own Christmas performance and **Reception** and **Year 2** will be doing their mini-concerts.

Dates are on the Dates to Remember section of this newsletter, and have been on the Website since the beginning of term.

Spring

In the Spring Term the **Reception** children will have their main performance when they invite you to their Spring Assembly.



Summer

In the Summer the **Year 2** children will perform for their End of Year Assembly.

Year 2 will also invite you to see what they have been doing in their African Drumming and Dance / Dance and Fitness sessions.



School starts at 8.50am

Please remember that, whatever the weather, school and am Nursery start at **8.50** and pm Nursery at **12.20**.

Please be in the playground in time for your child to line up and go in with their class or for when the doors open if wet.

The office staff are spending a lot of time registering families who bring their children in late and children in class are being disrupted by late arrivals. It is also not nice for your child when they are constantly late.

