PINFOLD NEWS

MAY 2022

Hello,

We hope you had a wonderful Spring break! We are looking forward to a fantastic summer term.

Dates for the diary: (you can also look on the *Events* section of our school website.)

- 6th May 2022 3.30pm : Some of our Pupil Councillors have written a very important presentation on Online Safety– please come and hear it.
- 9th-19th May : SATS for KS2 then KS1
- **11th May 2022 3.40pm-6pm :** Parents Evening (please sign up on the website once you have had an email notifying you the slots are open)
- 19th May 2022: Equality and Diversity Day– Pupil Council have organised a special day with activities to celebrate diversity– they will be sending out more information soon.
- **Tuesday 14th June pm** : Key stage 1 Trip to the Philharmonic Hall
- Friday 22nd July: 2.45pm Leavers Assembly– the children have said parents are organising a leavers disco at the village hall, please let us know if we can do anything to help.

NHS

East Lancashire Hospitals

Vision Screening in Lancashire Vision screening will be taking place for the reception class children on

<u>25 May 2022</u>

An Opt-out consent form will be sent home with your child closer to the screening date. If you do not receive one and wish to Opt-out, please contact the school.



Unfortunately Mrs Halstead will be off for at least the next four weeks, please bear with us as although we are small but mighty you may have to leave a message on the phone!! Please continue to pay for dinners etc. on parent pay even if new reminders do not come out. Thank you.

Forest School and SATs:

We have arranged Forest School so it can go ahead for the next four weeks but we will not be able to attend during the two weeks of SATs. We will claim back those two days and have some time in the woods in Summer Term 2. Please see our Events page on our website for details. Please be aware that some children have different requirements for sitting SATs. For example some children get extra time or a scribe. In line with National Guidance..



Arts Mark Award: We were awarded the Gold Arts Mark in 2018 and we wish to keep that status. We are hoping to work with The Chapel Gallery and an environmental artist called Jai

Redmond to design and create a community garden for Scarisbrick at the front of school. We intend for it to have living sculptures and chairs for locals to sit and chat and a place to lend books. We have applied for Tesco Community Funding and National Lottery Funding. If we are successful we can go ahead in the Summer Term– if you would like to be involved please let us know.

Parents and carers: If you would like to come in and volunteer to read with our children or share your career pathways or any other skills you have with our children, please do not be shy– come in and talk to the children during assembly. We have learned a lot from Mr. Pye about growing tomatoes, bees and how to splice two plants together. We want to inspire our children to a variety of career choices and with your stories you can help us do this!

Parent Governors: We still have vacancies please nominate yourselves– or each other! We need your support and expertise to continue to drive our lovely school forward.

Parent Teachers Association: We really need your help to raise money and put on fun events for the children and local community. We have some new parents and carers, please speak to Mrs. Tjaveondja if you think you can commit to a couple of evenings and a Saturday every term so we can have a Summer Fair again and school discos or Christmas raffles. We are small and mighty, but there is only so much seven staff can do! It will be fun!

After School Club: The position has been re-advertised this week and we do have two interested parties so I am hopeful we will be successful in appointing in the Summer 2 Term. It is a national issue not just our school, there seems to be a shortage of childcare and teaching assistants and teachers nationwide. Thank you for your patience.