

Pinders Primary School – Weekly Newsletter

Dear Parent/ Carer

First week back at school and all the children have been hard at work starting new topics and learning. Next week is book week, a week we always mark with some extra activities, a letter has come out separately outlining next week's events but just a reminder.

Wednesday 5th of March is our book inspire morning. All parents are invited to join their child in class for a morning of art activities for their class book.

Wednesday 5th of March there will be an Usborne book stall where you and your child can purchase a book of your choice. Book week vouchers can be used towards your purchase.

Friday 7th of March is book character day. Everyone is encouraged to come dressed up as a character from a book and there will be prizes for the best home-made costume.

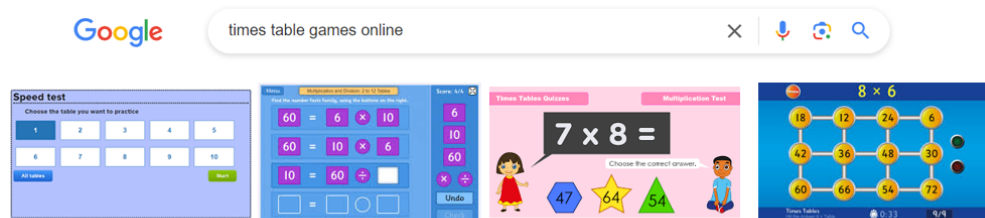
The week finishes with a world book day dress up. We are also taking part in the Hands across Wakefield for the hospitals trust fund. At 12.30pm we will all be joining outside of school to hold hands and link up with a chain that will continue on into Wakefield city centre. If anybody wants to join with their child in the chain then you are very welcome, we should create quite a spectacle in our costumes!

Parents evening is coming up this half term and a meeting for Year 4 parents about how you can support your children with their times tables preparation for the statutory test in June. This is on Monday 10th March at 3pm, your children will be a part of this meeting, it would be great if you could join them in the hall. There will be a pack of support materials to take away as well.



Below is this week's idea to help with times tables learning;

Online Games



There are wealth of **free games** and websites online that you can play together or your child can access **independently**.

Look forward to seeing lots of you at INSPIRE next Wednesday sharing in the craft activities.
Have a lovely weekend

Headteacher
Mrs Kemplay

Stars of the Week



Every week one child from each class is nominated as Star of the Week in recognition of their hard work, achievement and progress. Our stars of the week this week are:



Year	Attendance	Star	
Nursery AM	93	Ava	For settling well into our nursery routine.
Nursery PM		Milena	For developing her confidence when settling into the nursery session.
Lions	84.72	Hussain A	For the effort he has put into his phonics all week
Tigers	85.22	Emil	For improved independence and his communication with others.
Year 1	93.45	Elle	For always showing kindness to others.
Year 1/2	90	Rumaysa	For always being a super star
Year 2	93.58	Tarshy	For a brilliant start at Pinders and following our school rules.
Year 3	97.16	Kovan	For becoming more independent in his learning.
Year 3/4	94.67	Rafa	For fantastic focus in everything she does
Year 4	98.26	Haider	For excelling in personal progress in diamond dash.
Year 5	96.32	Aleks	For always having a positive attitude and working hard in all his learning.
Year 5/6	95.56	Khadija	For being fantastic all week!
Year 6	95.33	Iyla	For always showing compassion to others.

Charity Event

On Friday 7th March, The My Hospitals Charity are running an event- Hands Across Wakefield- where they are trying to get as many people as possible to hold hands, making a chain from the hospital into the town centre. Our whole school is going to take part. There will be a drone capturing video recordings from above however pupils and staff will be too small to be recognised. There may be some recording from ITV which will mainly take place in the town centre.

There will be no sponsorship forms sent out for this however, children will be encouraged to bring in sponsors for taking part- any pupils who brings in £5 or more will receive a participation badge.



To whom it may concern,

I just wanted to share one of our new campaigns and wondered if you could share the below with your networks and get involved with the campaign on social media!

CHILDREN'S SLEEP AWARENESS MONTH IS HERE!

We are delighted to launch this campaign putting the spotlight on children's sleep because... what an importance subject it is! Did you know that up to 50% of children struggle with sleep at some point, which rises to 80% where there is a diagnosis of SEND?

Poor sleep can lead to cranky mornings, trouble focusing in school, and even long-term health challenges - not to mention tired, stressed-out parents. That's why we're dedicating an entire month to raising awareness about the importance of sleep for children.

Whether you're navigating toddler wake ups, battling bedtimes, or convincing your teen to switch off at night, we're here to help!

What's coming in February:

- ✦ Practical tips for better sleep routines.
- ✦ Free weekly webinars with our experts to tackle sleep challenges.
- ✦ Resources, info and challenges.

We want to work together with you to make bedtime battles a thing of the past. Follow us for updates, tips, and resources, and get ready to sleep better this February! Download the supporter's pack here: <https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/get-involved/awareness-events/>



World Oral Health Day

20th March 2025

<https://fdiworldddental.org/mouth-heroes-schools>

Instilling good oral health habits in children helps set them up for success, contributing to both a healthier smile and a brighter future. These habits not only support their physical health but also contribute to their overall well-being as they grow. The campaign theme for 2025 is:

A Happy Mouth is...A Happy Mind



QR codes to download Campaign Materials and Poster

- ✓ Brush your teeth with a fluoride toothpaste twice a day for at least 2 minutes.
- ✓ Make sure to brush your teeth last thing before bed.
- ✓ Avoid sugary snacks. Frequent consumption of sugar throughout the day increases the risk of tooth decay