



Pinders Primary School – Weekly Newsletter

Head Teacher's Comment:

Dear Parent/ Carer

So, it's week two and school has had much better attendance this week. Our Lions and Tigers are settling in well and Nursery children are enjoying their time in school. As a school we are always looking for ways to improve our offer for the children. This year we have increased swimming to two-year groups, the number of pupils able to swim when we first go is alarmingly low, many have not had the opportunity to visit the swimming pool before. I cannot stress enough how important it is for ALL children to learn to swim, it is a life skill that will keep them safe. Every year you hear of children drowning and we know that there have been incidents, sadly, here in Wakefield. If you can find the time to access our local pool and take your child swimming it would help us to achieve a goal of all children leaving Pinders able to swim 25m.

Below is further information including the price of entry.

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/sport-and-leisure/leisure-centres-and-facilities/sun-lane-leisure/>

Type of entry	Length	Price
Adult	Session	£5.80
Activate	Session	£3.50
Junior	Session	£3.50
Family	Session	£12
Under 3	Session	Free
Junior (when supervised by adult Aspire member)	Session	£1.75

In addition, we are enhancing our Relationship Sex Health Education curriculum through a scheme called One Life. Staff have had training this week and last and will be receiving termly updates. The Programme has been trialled in several Wakefield schools and its implementation is rapidly growing. It is embedded in preparing our children with the tools to live their One Life well, they have a new morning routine as part of this which gives them time to clear their minds, have a mindful minute and then share in an affirmation of positivity. Mrs Bedford is taking the lead on this area of our curriculum and we would like to share this with you throughout the Year so that you can be fully involved too.

Our first Parent meeting will be held in the hall on Thursday 19th September at 8.45am

Please come along, there will be some morning refreshments available and we won't keep you more than half an hour. Spread the word as we are very excited to be embarking on the One Life journey and believe it is going to make a difference to ALL of our children and staffs mental health and wellbeing.

Look forward to seeing you there.

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	96.61	Keyaan	For engaging well in our morning routine greeting.
Nursery PM		Dhanvi	For developing confidence in building positive relationships with others.
Lions	93.27	The whole class	For settling in well to routines
Tigers	92.92	The whole class	For settling in well to routines
Year 1	97.14	Noah	For settling in to year 1 so well.
Year 1/2	96.67	Marcel	For excellent maths work with partitioning numbers
Year 2	96.43	Laura	For producing brilliant work and following the school rules.
Year 3		Daisy	For always being ready to learn.
Year 3/4	98.28	Mohammed	For always being ready to learn and setting a fantastic example.
Year 4		Sarah	For consistently giving her best to her learning at all times.
Year 5	92.41	Ellie M	For being a super role model in class.
Year 5/6	88.62	Esha	For a great start to the new school year!
Year 6	98.97	Karthik	For being an exceptional role model.

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How can we respond to unexpected events?

In the news this week

Space agency, Nasa, says two astronauts stuck on the International Space Station (ISS) won't return to Earth until next year. Sunita Williams and Barry 'Butch' Wilmore originally went on an eight-day mission but have currently been in space for three months. The Boeing Starliner spacecraft they were supposed to return on has a problem, so they need to wait for a different space capsule to bring them home in February. The astronauts will continue researching whilst they are there.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > How do you think the astronauts felt upon hearing the news that they would be staying much longer in space than originally planned?
- > Can you think of a time you were in an unexpected situation or a time when you needed to change your plans? How did you deal with it?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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