

7<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear parents/carers,

We have had a lovely spring half term. The children have enjoyed a range of activities including:

- Year 4 started their swimming lessons.
- Year 1 enjoyed their walk around Darlaston.
- Rowley View Nursery children visited the school farm.
- Some pupils in Reception and Year 1 and 2 were filmed in a RWI phonics lesson.
- This week in school all children have enjoyed taking part in Children's Mental Health Week. This year's theme was 'My Voice Matters' and aimed to empower children and young people by providing them with the tools and resources they need to express themselves. The children have learned valuable skills and strategies to use if worried or concerned.

Everyone at Pinfold would like to congratulate Mrs Dixon on the lovely news that she is having a baby. Mrs Dixon will be starting her maternity leave at the end of the spring term, so we are currently sourcing a cover teacher to take over in her absence. Please be assured that the cover teacher will spend time getting to know your children before the handover.

### The Scholastic Book Fair is returning to Pinfold Street.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**, the Scholastic Book Fair will be held in **the hall after school until 4pm**. Please collect your child/children first and then enter the school hall via the playground door (by Reception).

Reminder – This year's book fair is completely **cashless**. Information has already been sent out regarding card and online payments.



### Year 1 Walk around Darlaston



Last week Year 1 children went on a walk of the local area of Darlaston. We looked at the local geography and started to find out about how the area has changed over the years. Our main focus, though, was to see the metal tree sculpture in Victoria Park. All the children were very sensible on our walk and enjoyed finding out about the local area. Year 1 have already started to work on their own mini tree sculptures that represent Darlaston and themselves.



## Pinfold's Eco Warriors



Congratulations to Grace Fendall and Matilda Meer, two of our EYFS pupils, for being Eco Warriors and helping to pick up litter around our local area. They have been presented with a certificate for their efforts, and now they are helping us to kick off our recycling fundraising scheme.

Mollie Fendall and Joshua Meer also do litter picking and have recently been awarded with the community badge.

## Year 4 York Trip

Thank you to those who have continued to pay the balance of the Y4 York Trip. The final balance is due by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024. If you have any questions, please email Mrs Singleton on [info@pinfold-st.walsall.sch.uk](mailto:info@pinfold-st.walsall.sch.uk)



## Calendar Dates for Spring Term

Date	Event	Extra information
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February – half term		
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	School reopens	Pupils will return to school at the usual time
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Book Fair	Please see information already sent out
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Feed the Farm Friday	Pupils can come to school in non-uniform and make a donation towards the running of the school farm
PLEASE NOTE – TEACHERS ARE <b>ONLY AVAILABLE FOR APPOINTMENTS DURING PARENTS' EVENING</b> TIMES. NO OTHER TIMES CAN BE OFFERED FOR APPOINTMENTS ON DIFFERENT DAYS		
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening 3:45pm – 7:00pm	Forms will be sent out for you to complete to request a time
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day	Further details to follow
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening 3:45pm – 6:00pm	Forms will be sent out for you to complete to request a time



Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Comic Relief Day	More information to follow
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 trip to the National Space Centre	More information sent out on letters with children
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 – Walsall Manor Orthoptist	Orthoptist will be coming to school for the Year 1 eye tests
	Spring time disco	We are having a spring disco this year
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March & Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Cultural days Dance and Drumming	We have a specialist company coming in to school to work with us for 2 days. Every pupil will have the opportunity to learn a dance and play the dhol drums
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Easter Bonnet Parade	Further information to follow
	Break up for Easter holidays	Pupils break up for Easter at 3:20pm

### School Clubs

School club offers were sent home this week, all clubs will start on the first week back after half-term.

**Happy half term from everyone at Pinfold Street. We hope you have an enjoyable and restful week.**



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