

Newsletter Number 15 – Friday 26th March 2021



It's been an incredibly busy final week with lots of Welly Walks in the sunshine, Year One having an Explorer Day and Year Three building fantastic bird boxes.

Goodbye to Mrs Rogers

As you are all aware, today we say goodbye to Mrs Rogers as she moves on to her new role as Principal of Buckton Fields.

Hannah has been a huge part of what Pineham Barns is today and has been with us from the very beginning. I know the positive impact that she has had on the staff, children and families which she has supported in the four years we have been opened.

Whilst we will all miss her at Pineham Barns, we wish her all the best and thank her for her hard work, commitment and energy. Good Luck Mrs Rogers!





Covid Reminders

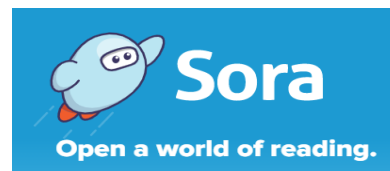
Over the holidays, can I please remind families of the protocol for reporting any positive cases of Covid to school.

- For the first 6 days after teaching ends, if a pupil tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, families must contact Mrs Stewart at principal@pineham.org as soon as possible. This will enable any families that need to self-isolate to be contacted. Please ensure that you only send any positive results to this email rather than the office, as they will not be contactable over the holidays. Mrs Stewart will be able to be contacted regarding any positive cases up until 5pm on the 1st April in line with the Department for Education guidance.
- Where a pupil from our school tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted.
- Therefore if a child develops symptoms from Monday 29th March onwards, please don't contact the school, but follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

Finally, if you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Stewart at principal@pineham.org

Sora Reading App

Reading is incredibly important to us at Pineham Barns and we are always looking for new ideas to support children's love of reading. As a result, we are delighted to share with you our new online reading app Sora.



Sora is a fantastic app which enables children of all reading abilities to access a wide range of quality and engaging texts to support reading at home alongside Oxford Owls. We hope that families will really enjoy exploring the app and reading books together, or even listening to the audio texts featured. Further information on how to access the app was sent to families earlier in the week via email. If you have any queries, contact the office.

PTA Events

Virtual Zoo!

The PTA have organised a virtual Zoo experience for Saturday 8th May at 14:00. The session will be approximately 30 minutes and will include meeting the meerkats, barn owl, boa and giant millipede. It is an interactive session where you can learn about the animals and ask questions directly to the Zoo Keepers!

Tickets will cost £1.50 per household and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. More information and payment method instructions will be advised after the Easter break.



Walkathon - Don't forget to take part in the PTA Easter Walkathon and raise money for school!

ParentPay Lunches

ABM have confirmed that the meals are now available to book on ParentPay up until the end of May.

Dates for your diary

- Friday 26th March – School closes for the Easter holidays
- Monday 12th April – School closed for Teacher Training Day
- Tuesday 13th April – School opens for the Summer Term
- Monday 19th April – Years One-Five Parents Evening 15:45pm – 19:30pm
- Wednesday 21st April - Years One-Five Parents Evening 15:45pm – 19:30pm

Finally, we hope you all have a very lovely Easter break!