

Newsletter Number 8 – 6th January 2023

Happy New Year!



We hope you all had a lovely and restful Christmas.

The children have settled back into school superbly and have been keen to share their adventures over the holidays. It is proving to be an incredibly busy term with lots of exciting events and opportunities planned for the children.

New Value – Responsibility

Our new value for this term is responsibility and we have already been discussing with the children how they can show this at school. This value is represented by mallard ducks and the children are collecting green beads to represent responsibility in their bird feeders. Any classes who filled their bird feeder last term, will be having their curriculum treats in the coming weeks. Please could we ask families to discuss this value with your child at home, and if they show this value or any of the others, we would love to hear all about it. Thank you.



Parent Pay

We have been made aware that the latest time to change meals is now at midnight, so please ensure that any school meals are booked by this time for the following day. You are able to book for the whole half term in one go and make amendments throughout if need be. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Chinese New Year

We are planning on celebrating Chinese New Year as a school on **Thursday 19th January** and have lots of exciting events planned for the children. To celebrate, we will be holding a non-uniform day and would ask the children to come dressed in vibrant colours.

There will also be a special lunch being cooked by ABM for all the children and staff, so we hope that many of the children can join us at lunchtime.

If you would like your child to participate in the ABM lunch, please make sure you book your child in through Parent Pay. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or the office.

Uniform

The children are looking incredibly smart in their school uniforms; however we would like to remind families of a few points that we have been noting around school.

- School shoes should be worn and unfortunately trainers are not part of our uniform policy.
- Our children in KS2 look so smart in their ties and they are part of their uniform and so must be worn each day.
- On P.E days the children must still wear their school jumpers/cardigans, hoodies should not be worn; coats can be worn outside on colder days. Joggers should either be black or navy and be as plain as possible.
- Hair accessories should be navy or gold. Boys are able to wear blue or black headbands for longer styles. Please keep labelled branded bands and colourful accessories for the weekend.
- Lots of children are bringing sports water bottles to school. Please can we request that these are kept at home and each child uses their Pineham water bottle. If your child has misplaced theirs, then please pop along to the office.

Finally, myself and other leaders will be checking uniform over the next few weeks. If you have any concerns over uniform, please contact Mrs Stewart or Mrs Eaton our Family Support Worker. Thank you.

Families in Partnership

Just a reminder our Families in Partnership Meeting will be held on 26th January at 7pm. We are hoping that we will see many of you there, so that we can continue improving Pineham Barns to make it the best it can be for all of our children. Please keep the date in your diary and we look forward to listening to your feedback.

Reading Ambassadors – Book Reviews

Over the next few newsletters, our school reading ambassadors will be sharing with you their book reviews:

Prisha - Bella Broomstick

It has a very scary bit where the witch got sent to a normal human land, and her friend went into an old house with her scary aunt. It is a bit of a thriller.

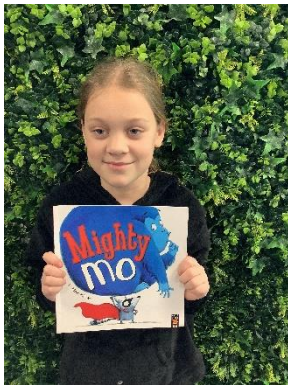


Louie - Ronaldo

This book is about my favourite footballer, he is from Manchester united.

Mahika - Tom Gates: Yes, No, Maybe

Tom Gates books are really hilarious and make me laugh because there is lots of funny speech.



Millie- Mighty Mo

It is a funny book because the main character is trying to find his power but it keeps going wrong. The baddie loses the battle and ends up in elephant pool!

Dates for your diary

Thursday 19th January – Chinese New Year – Non-Uniform & special ABM Menu

Thursday 26th January – Families in Partnership Meeting at 7pm

Friday 10th February – School closes for half term holiday

Monday 20th February – School re-opens

Have a lovely weekend!