

Pinfold Newsletter

May 2019



Dear parents and carers,

This term we will be engaging in a whole school topic titled,

'Oh we do like to be beside the seaside and we do like to be in the great outdoors!'

To ensure all our children have experience of the seaside and to think about environmental issues we are visiting the seaside twice. Once on June 5th and again on July 17th. If you wish to volunteer and come with us, please let me know asap as there are not many spaces on the coach. Key Stage 2 children are enjoying a book called 'Flotsam' and KS1 have already planned that they want to make sand castles and swim!!!! I think we will stick to paddling and picnicking on the first trip. On the second trip we are hoping to

engage in a beach clean up. This term Year 2 children (w/b: 20th May 2019) and Year 6 children (w/b: 20th May 2019) will be carrying out their SATs. Please make sure children get early nights so they can perform at their best.

Leavers' Disco and Gifts

As this is my first year I am asking parents of year 6 children to help me out! Some children are informing me I have to buy them fit bits and stretch limo's!!! Staff tell me it is normally the parents who get together to sort out the Leaving Party etc. I would like to help. Anyone who already has ideas/plans can you please let me know? The photos from when the children were younger are no longer on our computer server because of GDPR. I do not want them to leave without anything. We would like to buy them all dictionaries .



Forest School

The grass has almost rooted and this half term I will be looking to sort out the rain suits, fire pit , tool area, den making and mud kitchen. To ensure quality play and learning groups of 10 or less children will access the area. This will be timetabled so all will have a turn fairly.

Children will be learning how to start a camp fire and toast bread, make bread, pancakes and such like on the fire. They will learn how to use a saw to slice wood, a potato peeler to sharpen wood and a bill hook to split wood. They will be taught how do carry these activities out safely. Children will learn skills progressively and according to their developmental age. I will put risk assessments and Parents booklets on the website for your information. If you need any further information please contact me.



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Congratulations!!! Our fantastic Pinfold Runners ran fantastically on the Cross Country, showing skill and determination.



We came home with a Gold Medal! So proud! Well done!!



Inviting Parents In to School to Share their Profession

We have been talking to the children about how we want to plan our curriculum so it is real, interesting and relevant to them. We discussed what they wanted to be when they grew up and how we could achieve these goals. I am encouraging children to create power points and share their dreams with their peers during Wednesday Assembly times. The children wanted to learn about various careers: bin and recycling people, how a dumper truck works, being a mum, becoming a ballerina, a policeman, archaeologist etc. If you could come in and talk to the whole school about your career and how you got there that would be fantastic. If you have artefacts or photos you would like us to put in a Powerpoint we will be happy to help. We want this to be a regular slot throughout the year so any time you are available please give us a call. Thank you



CAR BOOTY: We are hoping to have a car boot sale at the village hall in early June 2019! Watch this space!! Anyone interested let us know!!!

Borwick Hall: Borwick Hall has been booked. More information and a meeting will follow. Please start sending your payments in to school.

Visits to new classes will start after half-term to ensure children have a smooth and happy transition. If you have not applied for Reception yet, or have friends with children turning school age please make an application/encourage them to apply so we can stagger them in.

Attendance and a Circus Visit

This week we had fantastic attendance. Please keep it up! There are only 19 days left to achieve our goal of 95% attendance. I am so hopeful we will achieve it we have looked into booking a visit to a circus! We were going to have an Attendance Tea Party. Now we are planning to have an attendance 'Picnic and Circus' afternoon on

Friday May 24th!



Ormskirk School News

Year 6 Parents' Information Evening A meeting for all parents and carers will be held in the school hall on **Thursday 16 May at 7.00 p.m.** Following the talk there will be a chance for you to speak to our staff. The members of staff will answer your questions and address any concerns you may have. As your child is spending their Taster Day with us, **the evening meeting will be for parents and carers only.**