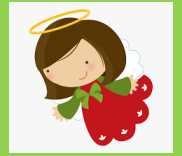


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Christmas dinner is open to all parents, carers, grandparents and children. The staff will serve you your dinners and we will listen to Christmas songs and get into the festive spirit. The menu is: Turkey roast dinner with vegetables and jelly and Christmas tree cookies to follow. Please order your meals before Friday 22nd to be sure of a dinner!! The slips will be on the notice board in the entrance. It is £2.50 a meal. It was lots of fun last time. The more the merrier! The dinner is on Wednesday 11th December at 12.10pm.

Unfortunately the theatre did not save our seats on the 18th so we have had to jiggle all the other dates to ensure we can go to the panto. Apologies for any inconvenience. All below are

- Wednesday 18th 9.30am- 10.30am Christmas songs and a mince pie for parents and carers
- Wednesday 18th pm- A magician 'The Brilliant Brian Berry'
- Thursday 19th am- pantomime- 'Jack and the Beanstalk' , voluntary contribution price t.b.c
- Thursday 19th pm- Christmas Party, children can wear their party clothes in the morning for the pantomime- 'Oh yes they can!', a list for party food will be on the notice board, please sign up, to ensure we do not get too much food!

We achieved the

★ **School Games Platinum Award!!!!!!** ★

Presented by World Champion pole volter, Harry Coppel.

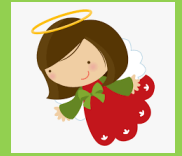


★ **Well done! Pinfold Primary!!!** ★

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An improvement to the classroom set up for Ash class, Early Years and outdoor play

As you are aware we are constantly striving to improve the standards for our children. We have the highest expectations for all. I was concerned, as were Ofsted, that the EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage—nursery and reception) need free flow access to the outside, which is good practice. We were also aware that we could improve continuous provision for the children. This means how we set up the classroom environment. It is where really deep learning can take place if the provision is right. We are determined to get it right.

We have decided that it will take too long for the children in Ash class and nursery to benefit from a wooden nursery in the garden, if we wait until we can afford it, as we had previously discussed. We have thought hard and carefully and decided to knock down a wall in nursery and remove the store cupboard. This will mean the children and staff in both nursery and Ash are able to join together.

We will then have new, clean floors and a tiny gate across the corridor so the children have free flow to learning through play outside. We will be having a fence across part of the garden in the new year for the infant children. We will then also look into some challenging climbing equipment for Key Stage 2. We aim to improve playground behaviour with play-ground leaders. This involves giving the children responsibility.

Miss Whiteside will still be the teacher and all staff will be given key children from nursery and reception as in the EYFS statutory guidance. We are really excited about this new development. It will take place over the week before Christmas and the flooring over Christmas. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions. We will keep you updated with progress as it occurs.

National plant a tree day: West Lancs. Council for Voluntary Service have donated an apple tree to add to our little Forest School garden. A selection of children will be helping plant the tree.

Breakfast club and After school club

As you are now aware we have taken ASC and Breakfast club under school governance. This means they are now covered by Lancashire County Council policies, procedures and insurance. It has come to my attention that parents do not sign their children in to Breakfast Club. This is a legal requirement.

I realise it may make it tricky when people are rushing off to work. At the moment some children run down on their own. However if anything happened to them in between them leaving the car and entering school, we would have no record that they were even on their way. From Monday 23rd November parents or carers must sign their children in. I appreciate some people have children in the car, however it is not safe to leave children in cars, especially on such a busy road. Many thanks with your cooperation and understanding with this matter.

Parent, teacher association: PTA

I think we may have some volunteers! Wahoo! Watch this space!

Parent Governor: We are looking for a parent governor for school. If anyone is interested please contact the office for more details. Thank you.