# Pinfold Primary School Newsletter December 2020



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The absolute joy of being in a spooky, flappy den! in the woods, in winter, with our friends.

The pride in learning how to swing on a stick swing!

Forest School: Our whole school Forest School Thursday in the woods was the best day ever! We have decided that in January 2021 every Thursday will be whole school Forest School day. We will remind you closer to the time. Dropping children off at the woods was very successful and the children learned so much. It was very good for everyone's emotional wellbeing. Our children need to get out in the fresh air. We have a challenge for all parents. Only two children can tie a knot or their laces- in the whole school! Lets see if more children can practice tying laces over the Christmas holidays and surprise us with their skills in January!

Parents Evenings: Due to Covid we have organised virtual Parents Evenings. You will need to sign up on the parents login of our school website, 'Spida'. You will need to then book a time. You will then be sent a link with a Zoom code.

Miss Whiteside is conducting 'Zoom' meetings. She will send you the link via email. Mrs Zaim is conducting her Parents Meetings via telephone. If you would like a 'Zoom' meeting with Mrs Tjaveondja please email the bursar and we will set one up.

Miss Whiteside: Monday 23rd November 2020

Mrs Zaim: Thursday 19th November 2020

#### Christmas Celebrations

We do not want Christmas to be cancelled. We are discussing ways we can perform Christmas songs and either record them

or livestream them to you. We have concerns with children who can not be filmed for personal reasons. If these parents would be happy for their children to be filmed and to be shared with just school parents please email Mrs Halstead to let her know. I do not like the idea of leaving them out of the Christmas songs.

We will be making cards and calendars and we hope you agree that as we are in one bubble, we have decided it is okay to send Christmas cards to each other. We are going to organise a Christmas party in Afterschool club and were thinking as children are not allowed parties out of school we could arrange them in Afterschool club for a small charge.





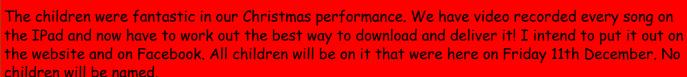
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### Dear parents and carers,

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas!



The children's performance of Silent Night brought a tear to our eyes- there are a few moments that caused us to laugh too! It is so sad that we could not have our community Christmas dinner and invite everyone in. Our children have missed out on so much this year, but there have been good things too- like families being able to spend time together and me teaching my pug to ride in my bike basket! Despite COVID we have had a lovely term. To anyone who has suffered loss and sadness we send you our love and virtual hugs.

Let us hope next year we can all celebrate and join together like we used to do and if not now everyone is more confident with Zoom we can have ore meetings together!

A heartfelt wish to one and all that we have a Wonderful New Year!! From Mrs Tjaveondja and all of Pinfold xxxxx



## Online Safety Meeting and RSHE Policy

Thank you to the parents who completed the questionnaire. Out of the eight parents who completed it, three had not read the policy nor felt confident that they could keep their children safe online. I find it very worrying that only one parent said they would attend the meeting. I am hoping it is because you are nervous of Zoom.

Now some parents have tackled Zoom during Parents Evenings I am hopeful that more parents will be willing to join a joint Zoom meeting. However I have taken feedback from parents who have said that the meeting is too early for a lot of parents who are still working. In light of this I have rescheduled the meeting again but at a later time. I hope a lot of people will be able to attend this one. Please indicate on our website questionnaires if you will be attending. That way we can organise sets of people to go into the chat rooms to discuss the questions. Here is the link:

Claire Tjaveondja is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: My Meeting

Time: Jan 20, 2021 06:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/99758091316?pwd=clRrTkdycTAxbXArNW4wTHMrcjRHQT09

Meeting ID: 997 5809 1316

Passcode: nQ6VSc







There is no swimming this Friday the 18th December. School finishes at normal time.

We are taking pre-packed party food donations all week: little sausages, sausage rolls, cup cakes, pizza, crisps. Thank you. Children may wear party clothes on Thursday (ASC) and Friday for the parties.

Swimming will resume every Friday in the New Year. We are very excited that the whole school will be going to Scarisbrick Woods every Thursday for Forest School so please drop off and pick them up there like the one on Bonfire Night. Please look on our website for the Parents Booklet to find out all the exciting skills and knowledge and understanding they will be learning. Merry Christmas, Ho! Ho! XXXXXXXXXX