

# Newsletter

19th October 2018

Dear Parents & Carers,

What a brilliant half-term is has been! The children have settled into their learning really well and we have enjoyed hearing what some of the classes have been learning about in the weekly Achievement Assemblies. We look forward to hearing from more classes after the half-term holiday.

It was really great to see so many parents and carers attending the Learning Consultation sessions and we hope that you found the information that your children and their teachers shared useful. Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the parent/carer surveys that were available on the evenings. We were really pleased to see that:

- 98% of you say that your child feels safe at school
- 95% feel that their child is happy at school.

Our Monday morning assembly themes this term have focused on the key values upon which we build our school. Assembly themes are always linked to the articles of the UNCRC which we follow as a Rights Respecting School. Themes have included:

- Facing Challenges positive attitude
- Good manners and respect cost nothing
- Stop, Think, Say
- Pride in our heritage, confidence in our future



At Pinner Park Junior School we are always looking to get better in all aspects of our work and our learning. This year, one of our major

areas of focus is on reading. Our aim is for every child to be a confident reader by the time they leave primary school. We have planned lots of exciting reading activities in school to promote a love of books and to help children to develop their comprehension and inference skills. I hope you found the information available at the Learning Consultation sessions helpful. Please

continue to encourage your child to read at home and where possible, make time to read with your child.



Year 5 have really enjoyed their Viking Day experiences this half-term. Thank you for all the support in helping the children look so good in their Viking costumes – it really helps them to get the most from the experience. Year 3, 4 and 6 all have exciting trips and visits lined up for after the half-term holiday to enrich different aspects of their learning.

Have a fantastic half-term holiday!

D. English

Acting Headteacher

### **Secondary School Applications**

Parents of YEAR 6 pupils: please make sure you have made your application for secondary school on-line by Wednesday 31st October. Applications are made via:

www.eadmissions.org.uk

We strongly advise that you apply for a place in a Harrow school even if you are applying for a place in a selective school.

Email: office@ppjs.harrow.sch.uk

#### School Office

The school office is open:

Monday – Thursday 8am – 5pm Friday 8am – 4pm



There will be no member of the office team on duty outside of these hours. There will be no access to the building for visitors before or after these times.

#### **MOBILE PHONES**

Only those children who walk to and from school independently have any need to bring a mobile phone to school.



- Permission must be given by parents to the school – collect a form from the school office.
- All mobile phones must be handed in to the school office team each morning.
- Children are not permitted to use their phone on the playground or anywhere else on school premises.



## **Diary Dates**

2018 - 2019

Thur 1st Nov – Y3 RAF Museum trip
Tue 13th Nov – Y4 Egyptian Day (2 classes)
Wed 14th Nov – Y4 Egyptian Day (2 classes)
Wed 14th Nov – Y6 Natural History Museum
Mon 3rd Dec – Y3 – Y5 Flu Immunisation
Wed 12th Dec – Y3 & Y4 Christmas Concert
Thur 13th Dec – Y3 & Y4 Christmas Concert
END OF TERM – Friday 21st Dec – 2:30pm
Start of SPRING TERM – Tuesday 8th Jan

#### **Pupil Absence**

There are a few ways to report your child's absence.

**Text:** 07797 885509

**Email:** pupilabsence@ppjs.harrow.sch.uk

Phone: 020 8863 1239 option 1

Please let the school know by 9:30am if

your child is unable to attend.

Congratulations to the children below who have been chosen to represent the 'pupil voice' for their class. These three groups discuss different issues that affect them and come up with suggestions for making our school an even better place. In the past this has included improvements in the playground, healthy packed lunches and how to raise money for our friends in Uganda.

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	School Council	Rights Respecting Rangers	<b>Healthy Heroes</b>
3ER	Ronen	Teagan	Vidhi
3FS	Advik	Jaya	Tharuka
3JM	Harshni	Sanchi	Kai-Anais
3MP	Sufyaan	Dev	Rhea
4AS	Zeyn	Jai	Jareesh
4CO	Nicklas	Iman	Avni
4EM	Deonte	Aaryan	Ishaan
4RK	Ameer	Shruthi	Rohan
5JF	Vikhil	Darsh	Adil
5NL	Niki	Bianca	Michael
5SJ	Zack	Prisha	Aum
5TW	Ayzel	Krish	Deven
6DA	Ifaad	Lena	Ela
6MA	Ruhi	Lucas	Roxanna
6SL	Zahra	Khpelwak	Kiran
6TC	Erin	Lucia	Kruti