### Pinewood Infant School



Welcome to Year R – Ladybird class
Curriculum information
2023

## Who's who



Miss Charlotte Fleming Ladybird Class Teacher



Mrs Verity Wroot LSA



Mrs Kaylie Kear LSA





Miss Sarah White **Owl Class Teacher** PPA Cover (Wed pm)



LSA



Mrs Larah Humhreys **Cover Teacher** 

# The School Day

- 8.35am Doors open
- 8.45am Morning registration
- 8.50am Morning school begins
- 12.00pm-1.00pm Lunch
- 3.15pm End of school day



8:45- The classroom doors close and children need to be reported to the school office and will be marked as late.

There are no formal breaks in Year R as the children have continuous provision in the Early Years.

# Attendance, Holiday and Absences



For genuine absence and illness, please contact the school before 9:30 on the first day of absence. The office is manned from 8:30 in the morning or leave a message.



No time off to go to the dentist or routine doctor appointments.



No time off for a birthday.



No time off for a holiday during term time.

Term time holidays are only under EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES



Serious / persistent attendance issues are referred to Children's Services.

## Our Curriculum



In Reception we have a different curriculum compared to KS1 and above, and it is made up of different areas

We help to build skills for children to be successful learners throughout the rest of their lives

#### The Statutory Framework for the early years foundation stage

#### Prime Areas

Personal, Social and Emotional	Communication and	Physical development		
development	Language			
<ul> <li>Self-Regulation</li> <li>Managing Self</li> <li>Building Relationships</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Listening, Attention and Understanding</li><li>Speaking</li></ul>	<ul><li>Gross Motor Skills</li><li>Fine Motor Skills</li></ul>		

### **Specific Areas**

Literacy	Mathematics	Understanding the World	Expressive Arts and Design
<ul><li>Comprehension</li><li>Word Reading</li><li>Writing</li></ul>	<ul><li>Number</li><li>Numerical</li><li>Patterns</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Past and Present</li> <li>People, Culture and Communities</li> <li>The Natural World</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Creating with         Materials</li> <li>Being         Imaginative and         Expressive</li> </ul>

It is important to remember that the Prime and Specific Areas of learning and development are all interconnected and must be driven by effective learning behaviours. These behaviours are known as the Characteristics of Effective learning

### **Characteristics of Effective learning**

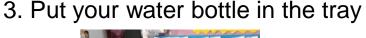
Playing and Exploring	Motivation	Thinking
<ul> <li>Finding out and exploring</li> <li>Playing with what they know</li> <li>Being willing to 'have a go'</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Being involved and concentrating</li> <li>Keep trying</li> <li>Enjoying achieving what they set out to do</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Having their own ideas</li> <li>Making links</li> <li>Working with ideas</li> </ul>

We encourage the children to become independent. Please support your child in their early morning activity to take responsibility themselves.

# Our School Day - routines on arrival



1. Hang up your coat





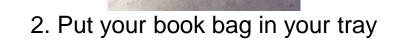
5. Choose your lunch on the IWB with the adult



4. Put name on the 'Zones of Regulation' chart



6. Sit on the carpet or choose a morning activity







# Our Day

- Register
- Carpet Session talking about our day and our focus activity of the day
- Learning Activities
- Carpet Session Phonics Lesson
- Learning Activities
- Carpet Session Maths Lesson
- Lunch time
- Play time in our garden
- Register
- Carpet session Topic
- Learning Activities
- Carpet Session Talking time, Story
- Home time

Carpet session – inputs cover all curriculum areas including Phonics, Maths and English, as well as sessions to cover our curriculum - EAD (Music, Art, DT) PSED (Circle times, SCARF lessons), UW (Science, RE, History, Georgraphy, ICT) PD (funky fingers, hand writing, PE)

**Independent Learning Activities** - Child initiated learning in the classroom and garden. There is free choice of activities always available, plus activities which are set up to enhance their learning during our carpet sessions.

- Snack table available all morning. Children can always access their water all day. One fruit and one milk per child.
- Tidy up Choose it, use it, put it away!

**Focus learning activities** – Teacher led, a different focus each day. We work with the children 1-to-1 or in small groups.

Lunch time and play time

Talking time and story time – if your child has done something amazing and has something to show or tell let us know and we can show it at the end of the day.

We will also join assemblies when we are more settled We will be doing **PE lessons on a Tuesday Morning** 



## Our Curriculum

- We create our curriculum relating to the children's interests and areas for development.
- Each half term we have a different topic
  - Autumn 1: All about me + Goldilocks
  - Autumn 2: Fireworks, Festivals, Autumn + Christmas
  - Spring: Animals
  - Summer: Plants, Minibeasts, Superheroes, transition into year 1!

There will be a topic web showing what we are doing each half term that will be on the school website and will be sent out on Arbor

#### Communication and Language (CLL)

Enjoy listening to stories Learn to listen, understand and follow

Beginning to understand 'how' and 'whu' auestions. Express their point of view.

#### Understanding the World

Talks about events in their lives or previous experiences that interest them. Joins in with family routines Knows that samethings make them unique and talks about similarities and differences between them and their friends

#### Physical Development (PD)

We will have weekly PE lessons and build up our strength in our arms for writing through weekly 'Write dance' sessions. We will also focus on becoming awars of how to regotiate the space we are working in for grass motor development.

Improve fine motor skills using cutting

We will learn how to hold a pencil correctly and practise writing all or some letters of their name. Develop skills on the climbing frame, hikes, explore different ways of

Become independent when eating lunch and snack

PE is on a Tuesdau

#### Personal Social and Emotional Development

Demonstrates friendly behaviour and initiates conversations with other children and adults. We will be focusing on settling in to the classroom, the routines and getting to know each other. We will be talking about how we feel

#### Pinewaad Inlant Schaal





Welcome to school! We are starting the year with a topic called 'All About Me. We will then move on to this half terms topic "Galdilackts and the

If you have any questions please discuss this with a member of staff from Ladybird Class or Owl Class

#### Expressive Arts and Design (EAD)

Enjays dancing, singing and jaining in with ring

Explores the sounds of different instruments and what happens when they mix colours. Take part in simple pretend play. Create a simple puppet show. Make imaginative and complex small worlds with

#### Libracu - Readina

Understand that print has meaning about rhyming words and words that begin with the same sound. Begin learning phase 2 phonics sounds

#### Liberacy - Writing

Links letters to sounds Gives meaning to what they draw and

Hears and writes the initial sounds in

Uses some clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning.

Recognises and writes own name.

#### Mathematics - Number

Develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects without counting them individually (called subitising) Recognise numerals 1-5 and link to amounts.

Campare quantities using language 'more than' and 'lewer than'. Talk about and recognise 2D shapes Practise counting carefully and touching each item as we count. Know that the last number reached when counting a small set of objects tells you the total

#### Ken Texts

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## Assessment

Year R follow the Early Year Curriculum and Assessment.

- On entry, we will complete a Baseline assessment with your children.
- Throughout the year, we observe your children in their learning to develop them further.

At the end of the Year, we make a final 'best fit' judgement against the **Early Learning Goals** to assess if they are:

'Working towards' – working towards the criteria for ELG

'On track' – working within Age Related Expectations

Prime Areas						
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We encourage the children to become part of our school community. To support this, please ensure your child is in the correct school uniform and that <u>all items are named</u>.

## School Uniform

### Girls:

- Navy pinafore dress, skirt or trousers (not leggings, ski-pants etc.)
- White blouse or polo shirt
- Cornflower blue school cardigan or sweatshirt

Blue and white striped dress (summer)

Black school shoes (that they can fasten independently)

Small hair clips/bands only, preferably blue or a plain colour

### Boys:

Navy trousers or shorts (not jeans or jogging bottoms)

White shirt or polo shirt

Cornflower blue school sweatshirt

Black school shoes

## P.E.



### PE kit

- Drawstring PE bag
- Navy shorts and a plain white T shirt
- Trainers (Summer term only)
- Earrings to be removed before school.
- Long hair tied up.





Please ensure P.E. kit is in school every day in case there is an additional opportunity for sporting fun!

We encourage the children to be independent as much as possible when changing and looking after their equipment and clothes.

Please ensure all shoes, clothing and equipment are named, encase there are any mix ups.



### Spare clothes

- Share trousers, top, underwear, socks/ tights, shoes

### Children will also need:

- Book bag
- Water bottle

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# Library and Reading Books

### Children will have 2 books a week

- one will be a phonics book
- one will be a free choice picture book chosen from the library

Our Library session will be on a **Tuesday** 

Please ensure the children have their library book on that day even if they wish to keep it a bit longer!



We encourage the children to be use the library to foster a love of reading. They are self chosen and may be a book to share together.

## Positive Behaviour

- Golden Rules
- Individual Sticker Charts
- Moving up the Rainbow Chart
- Reading rewards extra play
  - reading buddy
- Class Rewards Marbles in a Jar
- Hot Chocolate Friday
- Celebrations Golden Assembly

Do	Golden Rules Don't
We are gentle	We don't hurt others
We are kind and helpful	We don't hurt anybody's feelings
We work hard	We don't waste time
We look after property	We don't damage things
We are honest	We don't cover up the truth
We listen	We don't interrupt

Please see the school website for the full positive behaviour policy.



If you or your child has any concerns, please speak to your class teacher a.s.a.p. so that it can be addressed.



# Homework / What you can do at home

- Reading write in the reading record 5 times a week for rewards!
- Share stories develops vocabulary, imaginations, reading, spelling, speech... so much!
- Phonics activities sent home each week to reflect what we've learnt at school

Maths Seed – launch this term

There may be occasional topic homework, linked to specific projects.

Practice activities to develop independence



## Communication

### As a school we communicate with Parents through:

- Arbor please ensure we have your up to date details
- The School Website
- Newsletters every other week. If you have not received one please speak to the office. Good for key dates coming up.
- Open door policy in morning and after school on the door.
- Parents Meetings Wednesday 18th October & Thursday 19th October 3:30-6:00pm
- Google Classroom





## Clubs

- Breakfast Club every morning, no need to book in advance, payable on the door or in advance. This is run by school staff.
- During School

I-rock (payable)

After School clubs

Everyday: Wrap around care from CM Sports

CM Sport clubs: Monday – Gym, Tuesday – Multi-sports, Wednesday – Arts and Crafts,

Thursday – Lego, Friday - Football

Friday - Gremlin Dance

Please note: The same Health and Safety guidance applies for sporting clubs as PE lessons

with regard to hair, footwear and earrings.



We encourage children to explore their interests and develop wider skills.

## Parent Teacher Association

### PTA

HELP...We cannot do it without you!

- PLEASE be an <u>active member</u> to help enhance your child's experience during their time at Pinewood.
- They raise money and support holding events for the children throughout the year.
- We hold PTA throughout the year where any parent can come and share their thoughts with us on the matters being discussed. This is a chance to share your opinions and help shape the school!

Please email if you want any info or would like to get involved - without you there may not be a PTA next year as parents leave when the children do! So please do contact them if you can help big or small...

pinewoodpta23@gmail.com



# Parent helpers

 Please let us know if you can help during the school day – readers, checking spellings, maths games...

It can be a great way to support the school and to gain experience working in schools.





# Dates for your diary

### **September**

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> parents lunch
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Children able to start full time.
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Phonic workshop evening 6pm-7pm
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Phonics workshop repeat morning 8:45-9:45am

### <u>October</u>

- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Mark Making workshop evening 6pm-7pm
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Mark Making workshop repeat morning 8:45-9:45am
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Parents evenings book an individual slot between 3:30-6:00
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Harvest assembly 2:30-3:00





# Any questions?!!

Thank you

