# The Pinner Park Post

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#### **Reading at Pinner Park**

We've had a wonderful week with a focus on reading. On Tuesday, our School Improvement Partner visited the school and reviewed the school's approach to reading. In her report, she noted that the school promotes and fosters a love of reading, and develops a culture of reading for pleasure.

On Wednesday, we hosted an IQM cluster meeting, with a focus on reading. The Inclusion Quality Mark recognises those schools which demonstrate a commitment to outstanding levels of inclusive best practice. As one of only a small number of IQM flagship schools, we play a leadership role in developing inclusion best practice across a network of schools. On Wednesday we were able to share some of the ways in which we support reading for all children across the school to a group of school leaders.



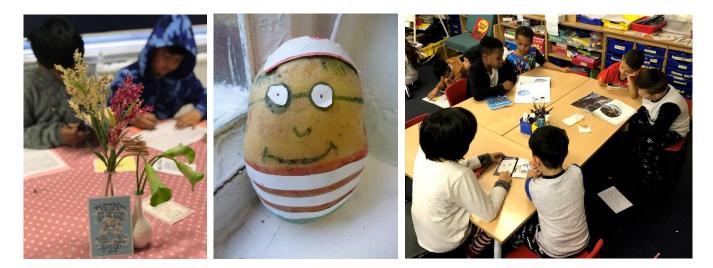
And on Thursday, of course, we celebrated World Book Day. This is a celebration of reading, and we had a great day. Thank you to everyone who supported us. We hope that the children came home enthused about reading. There are a few staff members who have asked if we can wear our pyjamas every day!

There are lots more pictures on our school website (under the 'News Blog') section.

We hope everyone has a fabulous weekend!

Nick Waldron

Headteacher



# Lent, Kindness and '28 Days'

During the 28 school days of Lent we're inviting our children, staff and families to take part in simple acts of kindness. We're 'giving something back' instead of 'giving something up'.

Small acts of kindness, performed by everyone in our school and community, has the power to make a big change to our school, community and, ultimately, to our world.

### Your views are important to us



Thank you to all those parents who have already taken the time to complete our survey. Your views are really important to us and we will read each response carefully.

We will close the questionnaire on Monday so that we can take a look at the results. If you haven't had the chance yet – please complete the survey in the next few days.

The survey is very quick and easy to complete - the link to the survey is: <u>http://bit.ly/ParentCarerSurvey2020</u>

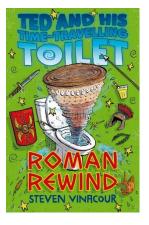
We would really appreciate your views and comments. Thank you, in advance, for taking the time to complete the survey.

### **Author Visit**

On Monday, Steven Vinacour – author of 'Ted and his time-travelling toilet: Roman Rewind' – will be speaking to our Year 3 and 4 children.

Steven's new book will be available for sale after school, and he has kindly agreed to sign any books purchased. This will be available to all students, not just those in Years 3 and 4.

Steven will be based in the Upper School Hall immediately after school – please do come and see him and get a book signed!



### **Covid-19 Guidance**



We will continue to follow the advice from the government and we advise parents to use the following web link for up to date information: <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public</u>

Please remember that the advice is regularly updated.



# **Key Stage 2 Sports Trials**



We love sport at Pinner Park. Last week our cricketers won a very close match – it went down to the last ball! Well done to them.

Over the coming weeks we will be holding trials for some of our sports teams. If any child is interested in attending, please collect a letter from the entrance to the upper school building (entering through the playground).

The details for the trials are:

Sport and Year Group	Day	Time	Location
Y 5/6 Quad kids athletics	Tuesday 24th March	8.00 am	Playground (Hall if wet)
Y 5/6 Rounders	Wednesday 25th March	8.00 am	Playground (Hall if wet)
Y 4/5 Netball	Wednesday 25th March	3.25 pm	Playground
Y 3/4 Quad kids athletics	Thursday 26th March	3.25 pm	Playground
Y4/5 Football	Monday 30th March	3.25 pm	Field (playground if wet)

### **EU Settlement Scheme**

If you're an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen (or have a family member who is) you will probably need to apply to the EU settlement scheme. You will need to apply, even if you:

- were born in the UK but are not a British citizen you can check if you're a British citizen if you're not sure
- have a UK 'permanent residence document'
- are a family member of an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen who does not need to apply including if they're from Ireland
- are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen with a British citizen family member



You can find all the details on the government website: <u>https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families</u>. The guide is available in 26 European languages.

# **Being Respectful to Neighbours and their Properties**



We have good relationships within our school, and with our local community and neighbours. Our strong relationships are rooted in our desire to be ready, respectful, safe and kind.

We have received information that some of our children have played or ran through local residents' gardens and driveways. Please can all parents be vigilant and prevent children from doing this. We do not want to upset our neighbours, nor would we want to cause any damage to homes, cars or gardens.

Thank you for your support with this.

# Healthy Lifestyle Week and Sport Relief – Next Week!

The school's 'Healthy Heroes' group, supported by Miss Manion are running a Healthy Lifestyle Week from Monday 9 March until Sport Relief Day on Friday 13 March.

This year the Healthy Heroes are very excited to get the school involved in becoming even more aware of our healthy choices. There will be several activities to enjoy, all centred on a healthy theme.

There is an assembly to introduce the week, led by our 'Healthy Heroes'.

As part of being healthy, there will be different sporting activities available during break times each day for children to take part in. Our Sports Leaders and Healthy Heroes will be supporting these.

Throughout the week, children will have the opportunity to complete a healthy food diary of all the healthy foods they eat, with some questions to help them think a bit more deeply about being healthy. Five healthy days in their diary = 5 Pinners!

In line with healthy eating, there will be a fruit tasting opportunity on Friday 13 March. Children can bring in 50p if they want to try some exotic fruits at break time. In addition, they can dress up as a Healthy Hero (or in sports clothes) that day and bring in a donation of £1 which will go towards Sport Relief.

We very much look forward to the children's participation and thank you in advance for your help in working towards a healthy lifestyle for your child.

# School Book Fair – Week Beginning Monday 16 March

A Book Fair is a fun, pop-up event held right here at Pinner Park school.

Our next Book Fair will be in school for the week, starting on Monday 16 March. The book Fair is a great chance for you to browse books with your child.

With over 200 of the newest and the best children's books available, there will be something to catch the eye of every child. You'll find a wide range of books suitable for your child's age-range and the school can earn free books for every book that's bought.

Our Book Fair will be open each day during the week beginning Monday 16 March from 3.30pm to 4.00pm in the Upper School Hall. We'll have books suitable for children across the entire primary school, so please do come along and visit. Remember that we can earn free books for our school library and classroom reading areas when you buy books from the fair!



