

The Pinner Park Poem

Special Edition



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More than a Number

I am missing sport! In 'normal' times, there are not many weekends which pass without me watching a sporting match of some kind. I can often be found at the side of a football pitch watching my daughter play, watching Bath Rugby (the greatest team on Earth), or finding an excuse to watch another sporting fixture on TV.

This week marks the anniversary of the first football match in which players wore numbered shirts. It took place on April 29th 1933. Everton wore numbers 1 (the goalie) to 11, and Manchester City wore the numbers 12 to 22 (their goalie).



There are lots of 'numbers' on the news at the moment. Many of those numbers represent real people, real situations, real loss and real families. We must always remember that.

We want all our children to know that they are more than a number. We want them to know that you are significant; valued, respected and cherished. And we miss them more than sport – please tell them!

Very best wishes for a great week,

Nick Waldron

Headteacher

This Week's Community Challenge – My Best Work Gallery

This week we want you to share some of your learning with us, and we'll share it with everyone else in an online gallery!

You may have some 'animal' work, linked to our weekly learning project, or some majestic maths, a perfect poem, some remarkable writing, amazing art, or something else. Send in a picture of your wonderful work to share@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk

You can put your first name and your year group on your work, but no surnames please. We will place the pictures on our school website, so please can parents send the image to us so that we know we have your permission to do so.

The deadline for the photos to be sent by email is: 6pm, Thursday 30 April



Benefit-Related Free School Meals



If your child is eligible for a benefit-related free school meal, we are sending vouchers for you to spend at local supermarkets.

In the first two weeks, we sent vouchers from a company called 'Wonde'. These will have been sent by email and text. These vouchers were for £11.50 per child.

Over Easter we moved to a national scheme set up by the Government using a company called Edenred. These vouchers were sent by email and were for £30 per child to cover the Easter holiday. This process was very problematic because the voucher scheme, and its website, were struggling to meet demand.

We are now moving back to use 'Wonde' because we don't want our families to have difficulty accessing the vouchers. We will place an order for the vouchers to cover a three week period - £45 per child – which will cover last week, this week and next week.

Aldi have now joined the scheme so we will contact you to check your supermarket preference. If we can't contact you, we'll stick with the supermarket you have previously selected.

We have had a few enquiries from parents whose children may be eligible for a benefit-related free school meal. We have sent the email and text to all those who are currently known to be eligible.

To find out whether your child qualifies for free school meals, and hence whether the school would receive additional funding, please fill in the details requested on the [Free School Meals Eligibility Checker](#). If you would prefer, we can check eligibility on your behalf. Please ask our school office team if you would like us to run the check for you.

A Certificate of Eligibility is available through [the website](#) for any child eligible for a free school meal that is attending a school in England. The Certificate of Eligibility should be shared with school.

Keeping in Touch –Year Group Emails

If you have any questions about your child's home learning, you can get in touch directly with the teachers in your child's year group using the following addresses.

If you, or your child, have any questions about home learning, if you need a password for something, or if you need some ideas, simply send a message and a member of staff from the year group team will get back to you.



nursery@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk
reception@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk
year1@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk
year2@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk

year3@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk
year4@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk
year5@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk
year6@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk

Please use office@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk for any general enquiries.

Home Learning – Week 4 Learning Project – ‘Animals’



We're so pleased that everyone is making such a good effort with the home learning.

We know that it is not easy to teach children at home – many members of our staff team are discovering this too!

The weekly projects have a good range of activities which can be used flexibly during the week – working around your working pattern, availability of tech devices, your child's learning style and so on. Please don't become anxious or stressed about this – simply do your best!

Our latest 'Learning Projects' (Week 4) are now [available online](#). The theme for this week is 'Animals'.

[White Rose Maths](#) and [BBC Bitesize](#) have a new set of daily lessons for this week. Many parents are finding these really useful. If your child is in Year 1 or Reception, they can now take part in [daily phonics sessions](#) too.

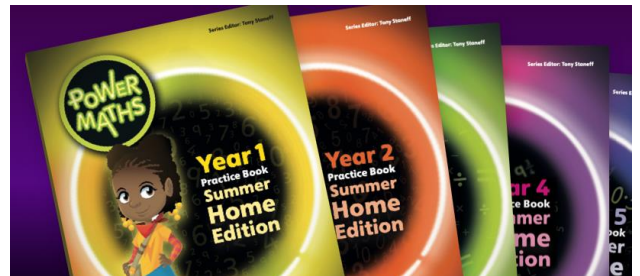
Maths Calculation Policy

Some parents have told us that they would like some support with our maths calculation methods. We have a policy which shows the step-by-step approaches to teaching calculation using a concrete-pictorial-abstract approach. You can look at the calculation policy here:

<http://pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk/mathematics.html>

Alternatives to Online Learning

We are conscious that not everyone has access to the internet, computing devices or printers at home. If you would prefer to use paper resources, we can recommend the following resources. Sadly, you will have to order and pay for these – but they may be a 'life saver' to some families!



Power Maths Home Edition

Power Maths is a mathematics scheme which closely follows the White Rose Maths approach. The publisher has produced some special home editions for use during lockdown. There are 40 lessons in each book, so this will be plenty for 8 weeks' worth of maths. This could be used as an alternative to the White Rose Online maths, or as a supplement. You can order the books here:

<https://resources.whiterosemaths.com/product-category/power-maths/parent-school-order/>

CGP Books

CGP books are written in a student-friendly style and closely match the curriculum. There a wide range of books, so make sure you look at the books which are appropriate for your child's year group. We would suggest you use some of the practice books – we wouldn't want children to be sitting and doing tests!

You can order the books here: <https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/resources/studying-from-home-during-coronavirus>.