

The Pinner Park Poet

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What do you stand for?

The symbol pictured to the right is seen everywhere around the world. On this day, 15 March, 80 years ago, the first McDonalds opened. Since then the famous brand has become a world-wide phenomenon. When you see the golden symbol, you immediately know what it represents.

Our school logo may not be recognised as much as McDonalds but we take great pride in wearing it. It means so much more to us than special burger sauce!

When we wear our school logo it tells everyone what we stand for. The sort of school we are, the sort of people we are.

Our hope is that when people see our school logo being worn, they immediately recognise children and adults who are ready, respectful, safe and kind. It's what we're famous for!

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

Nick Waldron

Headteacher

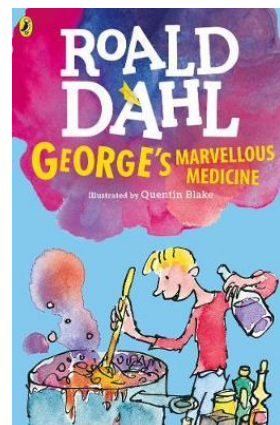


Book Covers – This Week's Prize Challenge – Last Chance!

Next week's challenge requires some planning and imagination but we know that the Pinner Park families can do this!

We're asking you to re-create book covers in the most imaginative way you can. Take a picture of your creation, and also send us a picture of the cover you are creating, to share@pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk We'll show them all off on our school website, and we'll also be choosing our favourite entries to receive a book voucher prize!

Entries should be sent, by email, by 6pm today. Go for it!



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>.

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Possible Expansion of School to More Pupils in June

We know you've seen in the news that schools may be able to welcome more students from 1 June, starting with nursery, reception, year 1 and year 6 pupils. The government will only do this provided that the '5 key tests' justify the changes at the time. There will need to be some significant progress in the coming weeks to enable this to happen.



It's a very unsettling time for us all, but rest assured that we're going to be doing everything we can to make sure we're ready to receive these year groups if it's safe for our school to extend our provision in the coming weeks or months.

Although we do not know if we will be able to welcome more children back to school, we are creating a detailed action plan that we'll share with you as soon as possible so you know what the school's reopening will look like in practice.

In our plan we will consider the actions that we can take to reduce the risk to children, staff and families. This will include limiting group sizes (and not permitting any contact between groups), and we may need to schedule children (in those year groups) to be in school for some days each week so that we can manage the increased number safely.

I want to reassure you that we're not going to be pressuring anyone to send their children to school. We'll keep you updated with all our preparations for making sure the school is as safe as possible, so you can make an informed decision. We will ensure that you have the latest guidance for children with medical conditions, and those who live with vulnerable family members.

In the meantime, the school is still open only for vulnerable pupils and the children of critical workers. We know some employers will be encouraging you to return to work, but we're not in a position right now to extend places to other children until we receive further government guidance.

We'd like to thank you for your continuous support in helping your child learn from home. We'll keep you updated once we know more about when schools will be able to reopen for other year groups.

If your child will remain at home beyond 1 June, we'll continue to support you and them with home learning, and meal vouchers for those eligible. Please do continue to stay in touch with us – we are here to help.

Please continue to follow the Government's advice and help to control the virus. This means you must:

- Stay at home as much as possible
- Work from home if you can
- Limit contact with other people
- Keep your distance if you go out
- Wash your hands regularly

Thank you, once again, for your continued support.

Active May!

You don't need online access to enjoy physical activity. Why not have a go at these activities – one for each day in May!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>Have a go at each of these daily activities to help you stay active while you're at home!</p> <p>Remember it is important to stay active and healthy!</p>				<p>1 Do some star jumps: Bronze: 20 times Silver: 30 times Gold: 50 times</p>	<p>2 Create your own obstacle course and time yourself doing it!</p>	<p>3 Do your obstacle course again and try to beat your time!</p>
<p>4 Hop on the spot: Bronze: 5 times Silver: 20 times Gold: 40 times</p>	<p>5 Do some shuttle runs: Bronze: 10 runs Silver: 30 runs Gold: 50 runs</p>	<p>6 Play a throw and catch game: Bronze: 10 catches Silver: 30 catches Gold: 50+ catches</p>	<p>7 Step jumps – find a step and jump up and down on it safely: Bronze: 10 times Silver: 20 times Gold 40+ times</p>	<p>8 Dribble a ball of any size: Bronze: 20 times Silver: 50 times Gold: 100 times</p>	<p>9 Do some dancing with your family! Choose a Zumba Kids or a Just Dance video and have a dance!</p>	<p>10 Choose a song and create your own dance routine for the song! Perform it for your family.</p>
<p>11 Clap and throw – throw a ball and clap: Bronze: 3 claps Silver: 5 claps Gold: 8+ claps</p>	<p>12 Have a jog around: Bronze: 5 minutes Silver: 10 minutes Gold: 15 minutes</p>	<p>13 Practice balancing on right leg: Bronze: 1 minute Silver: 2 minutes Gold: 3 minutes</p>	<p>14 Sit ups! Bronze: 5 sit ups Silver: 10 sit ups Gold: 15+ sit ups</p>	<p>15 Skipping (or just jumping!): Bronze: 1 minute Silver: 3 minutes Gold: 5 minutes</p>	<p>16 Find a Yoga video to do on Youtube. Do it with your family.</p>	<p>17 Create your own 5-10-minute yoga routine. Teach it to the people at home.</p>
<p>18 Keep ups – see how many times you can kick a ball up: Bronze: 5 times Silver: 10 times Gold: 20+ times</p>	<p>19 Tuck jumps – see how many you can do in a row Bronze: 5 jumps Silver: 10 jumps Gold: 20 jumps</p>	<p>20 Practice balancing on left leg: Bronze: 1 minute Silver: 2 minutes Gold: 3 minutes</p>	<p>21 Wall ball – throw a ball off a wall catch it: Bronze: 5 times Silver: 15 times Gold: 30+ times</p>	<p>22 Catch a ball with your OTHER hand: Bronze: 10 catches Silver: 20 catches Gold: 30 catches</p>	<p>23 Create your own target game! Find some soft things to throw and a target.</p>	<p>24 Teach the people at home your target game and see who scores the most points!</p>
<p>25 Squat – count how many squats you can safely do in a minute: Bronze: 10 Silver: 15 Gold: 20+</p>	<p>26 High knees – how long can you do high knees for? Bronze: 20 seconds Silver: 40 seconds Gold: 1 minute</p>	<p>27 Toe touches – how many times can you touch a ball with your toes? Bronze: 5 times Silver: 10 times Gold: 20+ times</p>	<p>28 Tennis keep ups – using your hand/racquet, can you hit a ball up? Bronze: 10 times Silver: 20 times Gold: 30+ times</p>	<p>29 Hopscotch – how long can you hopscotch for before you're tired? Bronze: 10 seconds Silver: 30 seconds Gold: 1 minute</p>	<p>30 Create your own fitness circuit at home! Choose some of the activities from this month to put in your circuit. Time yourself!</p>	<p>31 Challenge the people in your house to do your circuit or ask someone to make one for you! Try to get a better time!</p>