

# The Pinner Park Poem

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## Thank You

Today is 'National Thank a Teacher Day'. It marks a moment when we can come together to say thank you to teachers and school staff across the country who are making a difference not only now during these unprecedented times, but every day of the year.

It may seem a little self-congratulatory to include this in a school newsletter, but I hope that you will forgive me as I take this opportunity to publicly thank the staff team at Pinner Park - not just teachers, but our admin team, teaching assistants, support staff and premises team.

I could not be more proud than of the staff members I work with. Even when faced with an unprecedented situation like the COVID-19 outbreak, they are working in new and flexible ways, with a great 'can do' attitude. For many, they are also managing challenges with home learning, home working, childcare, health and families – just as you are.

As we move into a new phase after half-term, and may see the return of some pupils, we're going to face different challenges. It's therefore reassuring that we have a staff team who will always do their best for the children and families whom they serve.

If you have the opportunity to thank someone today, please do.

Best wishes,

*Nick Waldron*

Headteacher



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## Possible Expansion of School to More Pupils in June

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Thank you for your patience as you await news of our plans for the possible widening of access to school to more pupils in June.

I apologise that you have not yet received detailed information, but making sure that we do this in a safe and controlled way is complicated!

We have carefully considered our approach, which we have discussed with staff, governors, and our local cluster primary and secondary schools. There is a strong sense of alignment across our cluster and beyond.

Before the end of this week, I will be writing to you with a specific, detailed plan for the possibility of welcoming more students into school.

The plan will include provision for a carefully-staged reintroduction of small groups of students from Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. We will continue to provide home learning activities for the children who are not in school.

We are planning to open the school in a controlled and measured way which will include grouping children in smaller class sizes, a part-time offer for students in the eligible year groups, and very many safety controls such as staggered timetables, strengthened hygiene routines, additional cleaning and so on.

Once you have had the opportunity to read through the plan, we will invite you to give us an indication as to whether you anticipate that your child will return to school when they are entitled to do so. This will be through a simple online form.

In the meantime, 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.

## Pinner Park Online

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A reminder that all our videos can be viewed on our school website:

<http://pinnerpark.harrow.sch.uk/pinner-park-online>

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