

# The Pinner Park Poet



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## The Final Countdown

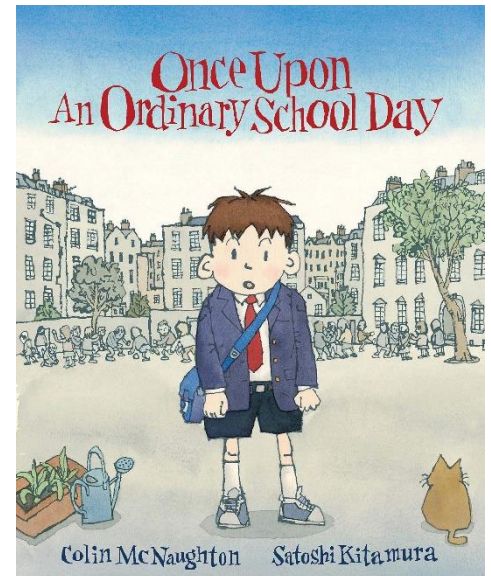
We are approaching the end of the most unusual of years. At the start of this year we all looked at a book together. It was called, 'Once upon an ordinary school day'. It told the story of a boy whose school turned from being ordinary to extraordinary. This year has certainly been extraordinary, but not in any way we might have expected back in September when we read this book!

Thank once again for your continued support through these times. You are all extraordinary!

Best wishes,

*Nick Waldron*

Headteacher



## Important Staff News

At the end of term we will be saying goodbye to a number of staff members. A few staff are moving on, and we also have a good number of retirees.

We will be bidding a fond farewell to:

Mrs Mills, School Business Manager  
Mrs Fox, Specialist Teaching Assistant  
Mrs Parmar, Teaching Assistant  
Mrs Benson, Teaching Assistant  
Mrs Williams, Specialist Teacher  
Miss Lane, Teacher  
Miss Ferreira, Teacher  
Mrs Broderick, Teacher



I am sure you will recognise that a number of these staff members have been with the school for a very long time and, for some, their association with the school extends even further. They will be sorely missed and I am sure you will join us in thanking them for their service and commitment to the school. We wish them every happiness.

## All About Me

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At this time of year we would usually do some 'All About Me' activities in class. These activities are designed to provide information directly from your child to his or her new class teacher.

This year we have created an online 'All About Me' form. This is an opportunity for your child to talk about themselves, and to tell their new teacher what they need to know.

Teachers will have conversations with your child's current teacher but we think it is important that children get to say what's important to them too!

[The online form can be found here.](#)

Please encourage your child to complete the form – younger children will need some help to complete it (and that's just fine, of course!)

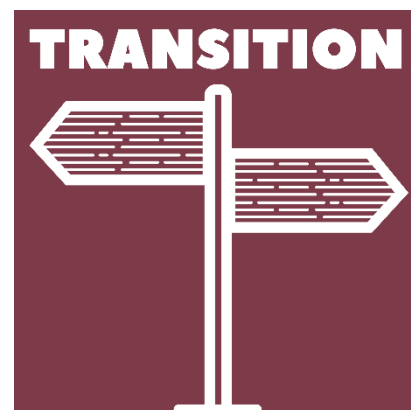
## Home Learning – Week 14 Learning Project – 'Transition'

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Our latest 'Learning Projects' (Week 14) are now [available online](#).

This week's learning, being the final week of the school year, is based on the theme of 'transition'. We hope that this will give the opportunity for children to think about their achievements this year and to look forward to the future.

The learning is introduced by a [video from the year group staff members](#), and you'll also find out about the work to be 'handed in' by watching this.



## Pinner Park Online – This Week's Assembly Now Online

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We continue to add new videos to Pinner Park Online.

You can see our videos here:

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

Don't miss another video! [Subscribe to our Channel.](#)

## Years 2, 3 and 4 – Get Together

We enjoyed seeing some of our children back in school last week to meet with their teacher.

We want to ensure that each child in Years 2, 3 and 4 has the opportunity to come into school before the end of term to gather with some friends and chat to some of the staff members they are familiar with.



The dates and times of the get-together meetings are as follows:

	Class	Date	Time
Year 2	2 Birch Boys	Monday 13th	9.15 - 10.30
	2 Birch Girls		10.45 - 12.00
	2 Chestnut Boys	Thursday 16th	12.30 - 1.45
	2 Chestnut Girls		2.00 - 3.15
	2 Oak Boys	Friday 10th	9.15 - 10.30
	2 Oak Girls		10.45 - 12.00
	2 Willow Boys	Thursday 9th	12.30 - 1.45
	2 Willow Girls		2.00 - 3.15
Year 3	3 Birch Boys	Wednesday 15th	9.15 - 10.30
	3 Birch Girls		10.45 - 12.00
	3 Chestnut Boys	Monday 13th	12.30 - 1.45
	3 Chestnut Girls		2.00 - 3.15
	3 Oak Boys	Thursday 9th	9.15 - 10.30
	3 Oak Girls		10.45 - 12.00
	3 Willow Boys	Tuesday 14th	12.30 - 1.45
	3 Willow Girls		2.00 - 3.15
Year 4	4 Birch Boys	Friday 10th	12.30 - 1.45
	4 Birch Girls		2.00 - 3.15
	4 Chestnut Boys	Wednesday 15th	12.30 - 1.45
	4 Chestnut Girls		2.00 - 3.15
	4 Oak Boys	Tuesday 14th	9.15 - 10.30
	4 Oak Girls		10.45 - 12.00
	4 Willow Boys	Thursday 16th	9.15 - 10.30
	4 Willow Girls		10.45 - 12.00

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



## Collection of Children's Items and Return of School Items

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If your child is in school, or is coming in for a 'Get Together', we'll encourage them to bring everything home. Could you please remember to send back any reading books, library books or other school items too.

Additionally, school will be open this Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> July from 10.00am to 11.30am and from 1.30pm to 2.30pm. Please do not arrive at other times because we will not be able to give you access to the school.

## Connecting with Small, Local, Independent Businesses

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We are working with our PTA to explore a new project which will support the school, local families and local businesses. The concept is at a very early stage and we would like to consult with some local businesses to gather some feedback on the idea.

If you, or anyone you know, manages or owns a small, independent, local business, we'd love to hear from you – we are hoping that we have found a way that we can support each other, and local families. Please complete [this short, simple form](#) if you are interested in further information.



## End of Term

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The final day of the Summer term is this Friday, 17 July. For those children in school on Fridays, please note that we will end the day at the 'new normal' times:

Birch classes at 2.40pm, Chestnut classes at 2.55pm, Oak classes at 3.10pm and Willow classes at 3.25pm.

## Pupil Reports

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We are distributing the end of year school reports over the next week. Where pupils are in school, or coming in for a get-together, we'll send the report home with them. We'll post out any which we are unable to distribute within school.



We have taken a proportionate approach in deciding what information to include in pupils' reports this year. The reports were written before the wider opening of school and it has not been possible for reports to cover the period of partial school closures. The reports have a section regarding the children's learning up to the period of school closure and also some general comments. We have also included some attendance information which is for the period from September up to February half term.

There is an opportunity to contribute towards your child's report by [completing an online form](#). If you are unable to access the online form, please do send back the slip at the bottom of your report letter.

## Introducing Classlist - Join this week!



We are joining with the PTA to launch an app for parents called Classlist and we would like to invite the whole school to sign up.

Classlist is a parent app that brings you into the heart of our school community. It helps you to connect and help each other. It is a safe and inclusive system that we believe will help us build a stronger school community at Pinner Park.

With Classlist, you'll be able to contact the parents in your child's class, and see who's who so you can put a face to a name. Classlist will keep you informed about what school events are coming up, and there's lots more you can do: post questions of the other parents in your child's class, form special interest groups, as well as RSVP and buy tickets to PTA events. You can see who lives nearby so you can arrange car-shares and you can even find a home for outgrown school uniform.

Classlist is UK-based and fully GDPR-compliant and is already being used successfully by parents in thousands of other schools in the UK. You can share as much or as little contact information with other parents as you like, and can even keep your own email address private whilst still receiving messages.

Everyone using Classlist has to comply with the Classlist Community Guidelines.

This week, you will receive a personalised invitation, by email, to join Classlist. Please let us know if you do not want us to invite you to join.

Please sign up as soon as possible!

Classlist is completely free and it's easy to get started.

When you sign up with Classlist we will ask you to register your child using his or her class for September – then we'll be all ready to get started and we can invite our new Reception parents to join too.

Classlist is very much for parent-to-parent and PTA communication. As a school, we will continue to use our website, social media, email and SchoolPing for direct communication.

We will phase out the class WhatsApp groups because Classlist is a safer, more inclusive system for our PTA and also gives greater functionality for all parents. It will have all the features of the WhatsApp groups and much more. We're sure that you will love it!

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# Join us on a Summer Reading Journey

For all children up to age 11

Register in the library from  
**Tues 14 July 10am-3pm**

Every Tuesday this summer, ending 6 Sept.  
the library will focus on the reading scheme.

Face masks to be worn, please. Hand sanitizer available.  
Please be prepared to queue, due to social distancing.

All **FREE**—Win stickers and a medal as you complete tasks

You don't have to be a member to enter,  
but membership is free, so why not join us?



Tuesdays, 10am-3pm


429-433 Pinner Road, North Harrow HA2 6EH


Tel: 020 8062 8418

## North Harrow Community Library

[www.northharrowlibrary.org](http://www.northharrowlibrary.org)

 [Instagram.com/northharrowcommunitylibrary](https://www.instagram.com/northharrowcommunitylibrary)

 [facebook.com/Nharrowlibrary](https://www.facebook.com/Nharrowlibrary)

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# Children's Summer Competition

The rules are simple:

- Register when joining the Summer Reading Scheme, or just follow the instructions below and deliver your entry to the library when completed.
- Must be child's own work.
- This is a fun activity so all work will be rewarded
- Please write on the back of the picture or story the child's name, age, contact detail (mobile) and library membership number (if not a member, please sign up - it's free).
- Place in a A4 envelope or in clear plastic.
- Try not to fold if possible and place in the box provided in the library OR put through the Library letter box.

**Library opening hours**

From 4 Aug, the library will be open 10-3,  
Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays



Tuesdays, 10am-3pm

429-433 Pinner Road, North Harrow HA2 6EH

Tel: 020 8062 8418

## Event 1

**Up to 4 years**

Draw a picture of a character  
from a book and give it a title  
OR a name

## Event 2

**Up to 7 years**

Draw a picture of a character  
from a book and write one  
sentence about the picture

## Event 3

**7 - 9 years**

Draw a picture of a character  
from a book and write one  
paragraph about the picture

## Event 4

**9 - 11 years**

Write a short story, you may  
draw a picture too if you like,  
but the story with a beginning,  
middle and ending is the  
main aim

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