



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 10

31ST JANUARY



'Transforming lives through inspirational learning'



HI-LIGHT OF THE WEEK:

Last Friday, Year 4 were thrilled to explore the fascinating world of the Anglo-Saxons, delving into their remarkable artistry and intricate rune writing. The class showcased their creativity with beautiful brooch designs and displayed their handcrafted coin pockets. While East Anglia boasts a rich Anglo-Saxon history, we have yet to uncover any treasures hidden in our grounds (however, we remain hopeful!)



This week, Hedgehog Class took us on an extraordinary journey through space. They had a truly 'out of this world' experience during a visit from the planetarium, which guided them on a captivating tour of our solar system and beyond, illuminating the wonders of our planets and the moon. In addition, they also meet an astronomer from Cambridge University who inspired the children to research and write about their favourite planet

MAIN GATES

For the safety of all our school community, please can we remind you to close the school gates behind you if you are being 'buzzed' in or out outside of normal school hours. Thanks for your cooperation with this.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Following on from the growing success of our breakfast club we are now delighted to be able to offer a sibling discount (£4 per additional sibling).

Please contact the school office for more details on how to book your sessions.



BREAKFAST CLUB

8-8.45AM AT PINE CONES

£6 A SESSION

(GOVERNMENT TAX FREE CHILDCARE PAYMENTS ARE ACCEPTED)

TOAST, CEREAL, JUICES AVAILABLE

**BOOKING VIA MCAS IS ESSENTIAL
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR HELP BOOKING
CALL THE OFFICE ON 01638 790135**

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Thank you to everyone who has booked a consultation. The sessions will take place in the hall as per last term and will be a chance for you to hear about your child's progress at this midpoint in the year.

ONLINE SAFETY

Keeping safe online is one of the largest challenges facing children and young people today. Although we cover this as part of our curriculum, it is important that everyone keeps up to date with the ever-evolving technology in order to protect our community.

Unfortunately, some of our children are accessing inappropriate games and content at home which is negatively impacting on behaviour and social relationships within school. We kindly request that you support our online safety approach to ensure the continued safety of all our community.

Most apps and games have age ratings. For example;

WhatsApp 13 yrs (Previously 16yrs)

Roblox 7yrs (although some content is 12yrs plus)

Facebook 13yrs

Instagram 13yrs

Snapchat 13 yrs

Fortnite 12yrs

TikTok 13 yrs

Wink 13 yrs

To find out more about age ratings please see this NSPCC:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/app-age-rating/>

We will be running Online Safety workshops for both our children and parents later this academic year. In the meantime, you can find out more information on our website here: <https://pinesprimary.org/about-us/safeguarding/>.





**Wellbeing & SEND
Café**

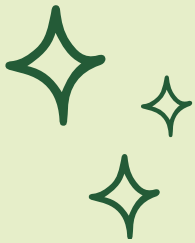
with Rachael (family Wellbeing Lead)
and Clare Warwick (SENDCO)

**Come and join us for a
brew & a biscuit
Thurs 6th February
from 9am
in the school hall**

Everyone welcome
including little ones

The PFA will have a table of Pre-Loved uniform
available for sale at the Café





PFA NEWS



Volunteers needed

The PFA are in need of more volunteers. If you are able to spare some time and help organise and run events, please get in touch with them by emailing; pfa@pinesprimary.org

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



3rd- 5th
Feb

Y1 Parent Consultations - booking via MCAS available
now

6th
Feb

9-10am SEND / Wellbeing Café/ PFA Clothing with be
available

7th
Feb

Number Day

12th &
13th Feb

Parent Consultations - booking via MCAS available now

17th
Feb

Half Term

24th -
27th Feb

Y5 Bikeability

27th
Feb

Y2 Skills Escalator Event



7th
March

World Book Day - more information to be sent home soon-
DATE CHANGE

