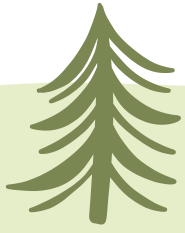


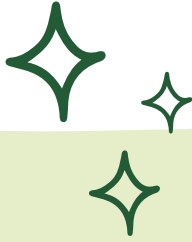


SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2

26TH SEPTEMBER



'Transforming lives through inspirational learning'



It has been another few weeks of learning and growth at The Pines and we are delighted to share some of the highlights with you in this week's newsletter.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

A big, warm congratulations to all our amazing pioneers who took part in the Library Services Summer Reading Challenge – The Story Garden! We had such a fun time celebrating with the proud winners during today's assembly. As Dr. Seuss said, "Books are a uniquely portable magic," and that's exactly what reading is—an exciting adventure you can carry with you anywhere. Thank you for jumping into this magical journey and showing just how wonderful reading can be!



A SPECIAL VISIT FROM OUR MP, NICK TIMOTHY

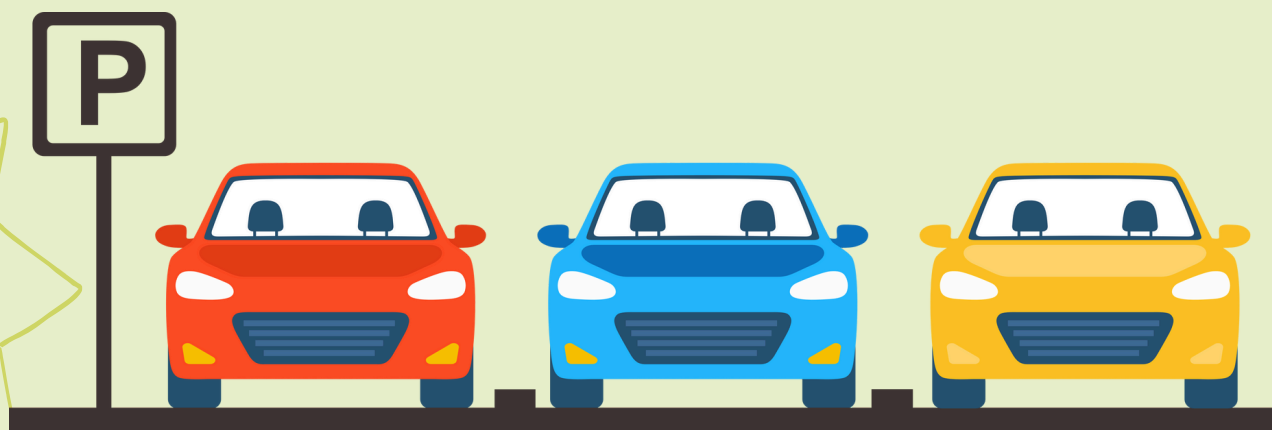
We were delighted to welcome our MP for West Suffolk, Nick Timothy, to The Pines on Wednesday. During his visit, he toured the school and gained valuable insights into both the opportunities and challenges facing education and young people today.

Mr Timothy was particularly impressed by the positive learning behaviours demonstrated by our pupils, as well as the calm, welcoming, and conducive atmosphere throughout the school. It was wonderful to showcase the warm and supportive environment that makes learning at The Pines so special.



CAR PARK

Just a friendly reminder to please park responsibly in our drop-off zone so that everyone can have fair access. If you notice any unauthorised parking, such as vehicles left overnight, please let the school office know. This helps us keep things running smoothly and safe for all our families.



OUR OUTDOOR LEARNING SPACE

We are thrilled to announce that our fantastic new outdoor learning spaces are officially open! The local authority gave their full approval on Thursday afternoon, and the children have absolutely loved exploring the refreshed areas. With the improved surfaces, we're excited to enjoy these spaces come rain or shine - the playground really does feel much bigger and more inviting!

Now that the space is ready for everyone to enjoy, we kindly ask our whole school community to help us keep it safe and special. Please remember to stick to the designated paths when moving around the site, as we have some lovely wildlife areas, like behind the bike sheds and along the black fence, that are meant to be peaceful homes for nature and not play areas.

Also, a gentle reminder: to keep everyone safe, children should not cycle or scoot inside the school grounds. We ask that all bikes and scooters be carefully wheeled into the bike shed. This helps prevent accidents and keeps our playground safe and happy for all.

Thank you so much for your understanding and support in making our school a wonderful place to learn and play!



WELCOME TO OUR NEW PINE CONES AND PINES FAMILIES...

We were thrilled to welcome our newest Pine Cones and Pines families to our recent New Families Event. It was a wonderful session filled with fun, laughter, and a warm sense of community.

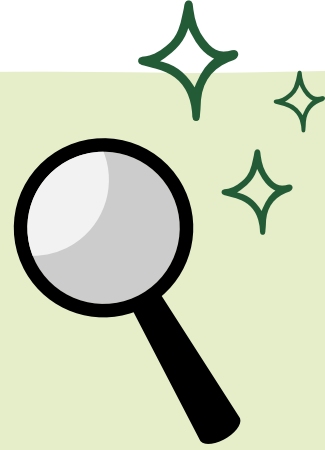
A huge thank you to everyone who joined us and to all our amazing contributors who helped make the event so special. The children had a fantastic time decorating delicious biscuits, enjoying freshly popped popcorn made by the legendary 'Epic Dads', and creating their very own fingerprint keyrings with the help of PC Mike plus much more!

We're so excited to have our new families on board and can't wait for the year ahead.





PLAY DETECTIVE REPORT



The Pines Primary School is a wonderful place to be, especially because of all the exciting lunchtime activities. These activities make it easy and fun to make new friends!

As playdetectives, our job is to look out for great play and see how everyone is using our school's 6 C's during playtime. We also make sure that everyone is using the equipment safely and kindly.

This week, we saw some really creative and teamwork-based play. For example, Lydia created an amazing "costume box" that everyone loved. The whole of Year 3 showed excellent collaboration and critical thinking by building a parkour track using tyres and a ramp. Meanwhile, Years 5 and 6 demonstrated fantastic citizenship and communication skills while playing team tennis!

We also spotted some incredible chalk drawings that showed great creativity - imagination is key!

Two Year 5 girls impressed us with their amazing balance and clever ideas by rolling down steps on wire wheels!

We will be watching out for more great examples of fun play next week...



THE PINES ON TV!

We were very excited to welcome a television crew to The Pines this week as part of a special feature on climate change for ITV News Anglia. The crew spent time with a group of our pupils, who took part in interviews sharing their thoughts on environmental issues and the importance of protecting our planet.

Reporter Tanya Mercer was full of praise for the children's confidence, knowledge, and enthusiasm. It was a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to have their voices heard and to take part in real-world discussions about a topic that matters to their future.

The segment is due to air tonight at 6pm on ITV News Anglia, so be sure to tune in and see some familiar faces.

A huge thank you to all the children who took part - you represented The Pines brilliantly and should be very proud of yourselves!



THE PINES BREAKFAST CLUB



Start your child's day off right with our Breakfast Club! Open from 8am each morning until the start of school in the Pine Cones building. Our Breakfast Club provides a warm and welcoming environment where children can enjoy a nutritious breakfast before school starts. With a variety of healthy options available, children can fuel up for their day of learning while playing with friends in a relaxed atmosphere. Our friendly staff ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all.

To book sessions please go to MCAS and look under 'Wraparound'.

THEME DAY MENU- 2ND OCTOBER

Theme Day Menu is available to book online now! Please book online before Midnight Saturday

American Diner
Lunch Menu

BBQ Burger with
Smoky Wedges
& Beans
or
BBQ Quorn Burger with
Smoky Wedges & Beans

S'mores Cookie Bar

THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER





Wellbeing & SEND Café

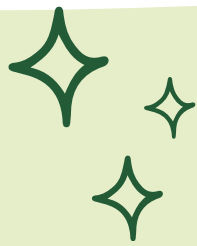
**with Rachael (family Wellbeing Lead)
and Clare Warwick (SENDCO)**

**Come and join us for a
brew & a biscuit
Thurs 9th October
from 9am**

in the school hall

**Everyone welcome
including little ones**





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The Pines PFA Presents

BINGO

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30PM
£10 per Person this includes a 6 Game Book, Dabber and Raffle Ticket Strip.
Cash Prizes for Bingo and a Raffle.

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 **FRIDAY, 3rd Oct. EYES DOWN 7PM**

 **The Pines Primary School, Manor Wood, Red Lodge, IP28 8WL**

DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS EXCITING OPPORTUNITY!



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



3rd
Oct

PFA Parent Bingo

6th
Oct

Y Pony Academy Starts

9th
Oct

9-10am SEND/ Wellbeing Cafe
PFA Tuck Shop after school

13th
Oct

2.45pm Hedgehog Pebble Laying

17th
Oct

PFA Tuck Shop after school

22nd &
23rd
Oct

Parent Consultations - More information to be sent out soon!

24th
Oct

Halloween Dress Up & After School Disco

27th
Oct

Half Term

