

Pippins Weekly News



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Friday 8th April 2022

See Tomorrow Grow

Dates for your Diary

Monday 11th April 2022 –
Friday 22nd April 2022
Easter holidays

Monday 25th April 2022
First day of the summer term –
school opens at normal time

Thursday 5th May 2022 -Polling
Day – school closed

Friday 6th May 2022 - Cake sale
- 3.10pm – main playground

Thursday 26th May 2022 -
School Disco (details to follow)

Friday 27th May 2022 -School
closed – Inset Day.

Monday 30th May – Mon 6th
June 2022 Half term

Tuesday 7th June 2022 -School
open for all pupils

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are two thirds of the way through the school year! I look back and reflect on the great good spirit we have built this year. Our greatest asset: our children, have done us proud, despite the break in education. I take this opportunity to publicly thank the teachers and staff at Pippins, who have, and continue to work tirelessly in ensuring the social, emotional and educational needs of the children are met. Change brings forth renewed energy, and it is indeed the wind of freshness and vitality which is strengthening our passion to better our school. Let this holiday remind us, that Easter is the ultimate season of renewal. Whether you're looking forward to spending time with family, worshipping, or decorating eggs for the little ones (or all of the above!), take time to embrace this season and reflect. The very first Easter taught us that life never ends and love never dies. The chord of love is also being echoed in the commitment our Muslim families are showing, in the Holy month of Ramadhan. May love continue to strengthen us as a school, community and global citizens. With all good wishes, Mr Jalaf

Celebratory awards Spring 2022

Celebrations of success are now at heart of the school's core values. We have a diverse understanding of what success looks like and means at Pippins. Excitedly, I share below, details of our proud pupils, who have worked incredibly hard in school. On this note, I wish to thank Colnbrook Parish Council for the generous donation of the gift vouchers.

On a very exciting note, I have created two new awards, which will be introduced next term: Pippins Golden Award. This termly award will recognise two pupils who, with great determination uphold our school principles of:

- ✓ A global citizen
- ✓ A unique individual, and
- ✓ A self- motivated learner.

It is indeed such celebrations, which allow us all, as staff and parents, see tomorrow grow.



Maths award (EY): Ethan - N
Maths award (KS1): Nicholas -Y2
Maths award (KS2): Abdul – Y6
English award (EY): Patryk - R
English award (KS1): Prembir – Y1
English award (KS2): Yaswika -Y4
Pupil of the term (EY): Natalia (N) Emma (R)
Pupil of the term (KS1): Mahir (Y1) Inaaya (Y2)
Pupil of the term (KS2): Marcel (Y4) Anghelina (Y5)

Attendance

- F1 % 98%
- F2 % 85%
- Y1 % 92%
- Y2 % 96%
- Y3 % 94%
- Y4 % 92%
- Y5 % 96%
- Y6 % 93%



Reminders

- School disco – parents and children, we are now able to hold the postponed Halloween disco on Thursday 26th May 🤗 Details to follow, to all the parents who have already paid.
- We need more parents to join the PTA. Please let Preet Gill know if you are interested. She can be contacted on pgill@pippins.slough.sch.uk
- Mobile phones: only year 6 are allowed to bring mobile phones to school. They must be handed to the class teacher every morning, and collected at the end of the day.
- Your child has come home with an active walk to school card. Please tick off as many episodes of movement you undertake in the holidays. Please return the card to school for prizes!

Easter Bonnet Parade 2022

The nursery and reception children celebrated Easter in style with a fantastic Easter Bonnet Parade on Thursday Morning. The children were set a challenge to create an Easter bonnet at home and we were astonished by the amazing creations when they arrived in school.

They received lots of claps and cheered as they paraded in each of the classrooms for all of the Pippins children and teachers to see. Mrs Bailey



We were very excited to welcome the children's families into school for our Easter Bonnet Parade followed by an Easter themed song time and a play in our new outdoor learning environment. The children were fantastic and we would like to thank all of our early years parents for going to such efforts to make the most amazing Easter bonnets. Happy Easter!



Covid update

Children and young people aged 18 years and under

It is not recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional.

If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

Children and young people who usually go to school, college or childcare and who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend as normal.

How to reduce the spread of infection with the people you live with if you have COVID-19 (infographic text alternative)

If you have COVID-19, there is a high risk that others in your household will catch it from you. There are several things you can do to reduce the spread of infection in your household.

- ✓ Limit close contact with others. Spend as little time as possible in communal areas.
- ✓ Regularly clean frequently touched surfaces and shared rooms like kitchens and bathrooms.
- ✓ Wash your hands regularly using soap and water, particularly after coughing and sneezing.
- ✓ Get help where possible from those you live with. Ask for help with cleaning and being brought food safely to avoid unnecessary contact.
- ✓ Use a face covering if you need to spend time in shared spaces.
- ✓ Keep rooms well ventilated.
- ✓ Catch coughs and sneezes in disposable tissues and put them straight in the bin.

Calling all volunteers

Reading is a key focus area across the whole school, and as you can tell from this newsletter, there is a big push for reading from Early Years upwards. I now need reading volunteers to come forward. Have you got a few hours to spare daily or weekly? If so, please can you come into school and support with hearing children read? You will be trained by the English leader. If you are interested, please contact the school office. Together, let's see tomorrow grow.

Donations wanted ...

The PTA, led by Preet Gill will be hosting a Father's Day sale on Friday 17th June 22. Can we please ask for donations of gifts and edibles, which daddies would relish! Please send them in with your child, or leave at the school office.

