



The Pinvin Fed-Express

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Welcome Back

A warm welcome back on behalf of us all at the Pinvin Federation. There have been some big changes this summer in terms of the site and this is an ideal time to update you. We have now in place what will become the new library. Over the next few weeks there will be some internal works completed before formal opening after half-term as a shared facility. The new library has also allowed us some much needed expansion to our Reception outdoor area, which now has trebled in size and provides much improved and varied learning space. Mrs Kilby and Mrs Greenfield are delighted with the new facility and the pupils have already been using it. The final additions to the Federation have been in relation to new fencing. This has enabled us to improve the security of the site and provide a smart exterior. A huge thank you to Mr Jon Grubb who has worked tirelessly over the summer to ensure that the work was completed and to a high standard.

Diary Dates 2017-2018

The dates will be published early next week, along with information in relation to clubs and opportunities for the term. We are eager that pupils get involved from the outset and sign up quickly. Clubs will begin in Week 3.

Meet the Teacher at PFS

We like to hit the ground running in September and get the earliest dialogue we can with you in terms of our expectations, curriculum and homework guidance that we have in each year group. We are therefore offering following the sessions for you.

Monday 11th September 2017 at 3.30pm: Year 2

Tuesday 12th September 2017 at 3.30pm: Year 3

Wednesday 13th September 2017 at 3.30pm: Year 1 &

Year 4

Meet the Year Team at SNMS

As a Middle School we would like to offer the opportunity to meet the team of staff that will be the form, English and Maths teachers in the Autumn Term. We will go through key points in relation to our expectations, curriculum and homework guidance. The following sessions are available for you

Monday 11th September 2017 at 4.30pm: Year 5

Tuesday 12th September 2017 at 4.30pm: Year 6

Wednesday 13th September 2017 at 4.30pm: Year 7

Late Collection

All parents/carers should be onsite and ready to pick up their children when school learning ends at 3:15pm at the First School and 3.30pm at the Middle School, with the exception of school transport.

Children who are not picked up by 3:30pm at the First School and 3.45pm at the Middle School will be taken onto the back playground where they will be supervised by school staff.

If it is the first occasion of late collection, no charge will be made for the supervision of the child but a late collection letter will be sent. There will be a charge of **£10** applied to contribute to the cost to the school for supervision of children if one of the following applies:

1. A second occasion of late collection with no notification made by the parent/carer by 3:30pm at the First School and 3.45pm at the Middle School.

2. Further repeated occurrence of late collection by the parent/carer.

The charge of £10 will be expected to be paid on arrival and is per child.

SNMS: Know you A from your B

In order to provide the changes to our curriculum that we have wanted to make, we have put in place a two week timetable, that allows us much more flexibility. The timetable works on a two weekly cycle of A and B.

Shared Lunchtimes

As of this September we have opened up our lunchtime opportunities to make them more varied for the pupils. With the improvements made to the fencing and site we have been able to put in place a shared lunchtime play across the two schools. The aim is for children to access a range of opportunities at lunchtime. The playground has been zoned for different activities, some quieter, some exploratory and some more sports based. The pupils have responded well so far and have been really enthusiastic about the change, especially seeing their siblings.

PFS: Minor Injuries

We are taking a common sense approach to minor scratches and bruises moving forward and these will not be recorded in the home liaison books. Any head or injury that is significant of course will be shared with parents through a verbal communication at the end of the day, phone call or log in the home liaison book as appropriate.