



Dear Families,

I wanted to take a moment to express our gratitude for your attendance at the recent Year 6 meeting. Your active participation and engagement are vital to our shared goal of providing the best possible education and support for your children and supporting them through the process of end of primary school assessments.

I would like to mention the topic that holds great importance, the role of reading in your child's education and development. We cannot stress enough how crucial reading is, both at home and at school. Reading not only helps your child access the curriculum more effectively but also plays a pivotal role in nurturing a lifelong love of learning. Thank you to our parents who have been accessing our outside Shared library and modelling themselves a love of reading. We appreciate your continued support in nurturing your child's reading habits. By reading together, discussing books, and encouraging a reading-friendly environment at home, you are making a significant contribution to their education and personal growth.

Here are a few reasons why reading at home is so important:

- **Improved Academic Performance:** Regular reading at home enhances your child's vocabulary, comprehension skills, and overall academic performance.
- **Access to the Curriculum:** Reading helps your child access and understand the content taught in various subjects, making their learning more effective.
- **Building a Love of Reading:** Reading for pleasure not only stimulates intellectual curiosity but also fosters a love of reading that can last a lifetime.
- **Enhanced Communication Skills:** Reading helps your child articulate their thoughts and ideas more effectively, both in writing and verbally.
- **Parent-Child Bonding:** Sharing stories and discussing books together at home creates valuable bonding moments and reinforces the importance of education.

I would like to draw your attention to our upcoming "Pride Time" sessions. These sessions are designed to celebrate and reinforce the values that we hold dear at our school, and celebrating the learning achieved by our children this half term. We hope to see you there.

Once again, thank you for your active involvement in our school community.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Ferla and the Peareswood Team



>Welcome

A big welcome to Mr Iddiols, our new Community Liaison Officer. Many of you will have seen him on the school gate and the children have already met him in our attendance assembly on Monday. Please say Hello! Mr Iddiols has worked for the Military and the Prison Service. He has a wealth of knowledge with engaging different agencies so please look out for parenting courses and coffee meetings that he will be setting up. Mr Iddiols also understands how important it is for your children to attend school every day. He will be working with you to ensure that your child is in school and that you are on time. If you would like to chat to Mr Iddiols then please contact the school office.



Come on everyone its so close in positions, keep getting these tokens! Here are the current positions:
1st Nathan Bryon
2nd Malorie Blackman
3rd Julia Donaldson
4th Oliver Jeffers



Congratulations! We hope you enjoyed your well deserved Hot Chocolate!



SAFEGUARDING

Top Tips for SETTING BOUNDARIES AROUND GAMING

If your child loves video games, then you'll probably be aware that how long they spend gaming... and what they're actually playing... can occasionally become a source of concern or conflict. The UK's leading body for interactive entertainment, UKIE, has recently launched a campaign to promote safer and more responsible gaming among young people... with parents and carers helping by setting sensible and fair boundaries. Our guide has tips on key areas where you could agree some healthy ground rules for your child's gaming activity.

PROMOTE SAFER GAME CHOICES
Gaming which makes players use 'OK' and 'cancel' should be avoided... it's better to choose games which are more educational or competitive as opposed to violent.

ENCOURAGE REGULAR BREAKS
Help your child understand the need to take regular breaks, playing in short bursts rather than long sessions. Agree a limit on how long they can play for each day, and encourage them to take breaks at set times.

AGREE SPENDING LIMITS
There's no doubt that gaming can be expensive, and your child may be tempted to buy more games or equipment than they can afford. Agree a limit on how much they can spend on gaming each week or month.

DISCUSS AGE RATINGS
Children often ignore the age ratings on games or don't understand what they mean. Discuss the ratings with your child and explain what they mean.

MEET OUR EXPERT
Nathan Bryon, a former professional footballer, shares his experience of gaming and how he has set boundaries for his own children.

NOS National Online Safety
WakeUpWednesday



ELSIE

Elsie has been helping Miss Lee teach phonics.



This free online safety guide looks at the benefits of setting boundaries around video gaming to help young people learn healthy online habits.

ATTENDANCE

School Target- 96%

Current Attendance - 93.82%

- Nursery AM - 96.85%
- Nursery PM- 85.25%
- Poplar - 88.81%
- Lime - 90.18%
- Bay- 98.52%
- H/Chestnut- 97.69%
- Box- 92.14%
- Bamboo - 95.3%
- Ash - 95%
- Cypress - 92.07%
- Palm- 90%
- Acacia - 92.8%
- Holly- 98.89%
- Myrtle- 92.69%
- Eucalyptus- 97%
- Willow - 93.45%

Green=met the minimum attendance rate

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WOW!

Pride Time

	EYFS		KS1		LKS2		UKS2	
	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Date	Thursday 19 th October 2023	Thursday 19 th October 2023	Monday 16 th October 2023	Monday 16 th October 2023	Tuesday 17 th October 2023	Tuesday 17 th October 2023	Wednesday 18 th October 2023	Wednesday 18 th October 2023
Time	8.30-9 am	9-9.30 am	2.45-3.15 pm	2.45-3.15 pm	2.45-3.15 pm	2.45-3.15 pm	2.45-3.15 pm	2.45-3.15 pm
Access	Nursery Classroom	Reception Classrooms	Library Link Doors	Library Link Doors	Library Link Doors	Library Link Doors	Library Link Doors	Library Link Doors

WELL DONE!

We are...

Class	Peareswood Champion
Nursery AM/PM	Airinpreet/Ting Hin
Lime	Alamiyah
Poplar	Kelsey
H/Chestnut	Zac
Bay	Arjen
Bamboo	Amelia
Box	Jayden-Lee
Cypress	Grace
Ash	Miracle
Acacia	Tomilola
Palm	Ella
Holly	Lincoln
Myrtle	Mohammed
Willow	Mia
Eucalyptus	Tommy

Ready

Respectful

Safe

SCHOOL VALUES

This terms value is Pride-

EYFS- Miss McCarthy is really proud of how the children in Nursery have been developing their friendships and welcoming their new friends into Nursery. Well done Nursery, keep being kind!

KS1- We are proud of how our Year 1 children are being role models in the dinner hall, even for some of our older children!

KS2- Well done to our Year 4 children who had their first swimming lessons this week! We are really proud of their efforts in swimming and support in one another during their session.



HORIZONS
ACADEMY
BEXLEY

Wednesday 4th October 2023
09.00 - 11.00 at Peareswood Primary



Parent Support Group
Kids driving you nuts? Feel like your children are the only ones who don't behave? Want to talk to other

parents who feel the same?

The Horizons Parent Support Group offers an opportunity for parents and carers to share experiences and ideas in a safe and comfortable environment. This is not a programme that teaches parents how to parent, but a support group that offers help and advice through fun interaction and discussion.

The Parent Support Group is a 5 week programme currently being held on a Tuesday and Thursday. Topics are relevant for toddlers to teenagers so parents of children of all ages are welcome to join.

Managing your child's emotions, Building confidence and motivation, Good habits for behaviour, How to cope when things go wrong, Using rules and rewards, Resolving conflict, Reducing parental stress.

For more information or to reserve a place on the programme, please [contact](#)
Paola Sim on 0208 312 2746 ext.213
or
Jenny Beckett 0208 312 2746 ext. 207
Or
[Speak to the school office](#)

Our facilitators have completed the Parent Practice Training for Trainers programme and are certified Parent Practice educators.



St Augustine's
Slade Green Road DA8 2HX
'Light of the World'



Thursday 5th October
3.15pm to 5pm

All welcome
Family meal, crafts, worship and fun
Jacki cfpioneer@outlook.com
07840 201817

Sunday 8th October

3pm

St Augustine's Church
PETS SERVICE

A service at which we give thanks
to God for our pets

Do join us and bring your pets
with you!

