Dear Parents and Carers,

**Mother's Day**
I would like to wish all our mothers a wonderful Mother's Day. Pine Class delivered a wonderful assembly this morning for us to help celebrate this day.

**Parking**
We are continuing to receive complaints from local residents about the inconsiderate parking by our parents. Please consider how and where you park. Inconsiderate parking does not only frustrate our local community but also often puts our own parents and pupils at risk. Please remember, you may use the car park at the Community Centre behind the school. It's an easy 5 minute walk from school with no roads to cross.

**Red Nose Day**
Thank you for all your donations to this worthwhile cause.

**Fun Run**
Thank you to all the parents who have brought in the sponsorship money which has been raised for the Fun Run. We have had an amazing response and will be able to tell you the total in the Newsletter next week. If you have not yet returned your fundraising money, please bring it to the office as soon as possible.

**Poetry Competition**
We had an overwhelming response from pupils to celebrate World Poetry Day. Thank you to all parents who have supported their children with this. The winners were selected this morning by the School Council and the names will be announced in next week's Newsletter. The huge response has caused this unexpected delay. Pupils will create a final version for publication in next week’s Newsletter.

**End of Term**
Just a reminder that there will be no Breakfast or After School Clubs next week. School closes on Friday 31st March 2017 at 1:30pm. Nursery Afternoon parents are invited to bring their children to the morning session. The Nursery will be open from 9:00am to 12:00 midday only on that day.

Pupils return to school on Wednesday 19th April 2017 for the Summer Term.
Term Dates
Just a reminder of our term dates for the academic year 2017 - 2018 for those parents who are thinking about the summer holidays.

TERM DATES FOR 2017-2018

AUTUMN TERM 2017

Thursday 31st August 2017 & Friday 1st September 2017 INSET Days – school closed for pupils
Monday 4th September 2017 – first day of term
Half Term – Monday 23rd October 2017 – Friday 27th October 2017
Friday 24th November 2017 Occasional Day – school closed
Tuesday 19th December 2017 – last day of term (school finishes at 1:30 pm)

SPRING TERM 2018

Wednesday 3rd January 2018 Occasional Day – school closed
Thursday 4th & Friday 5th January 2018 INSET Days – school closed for pupils
Monday 8th January 2018 – first day of term
Half Term – Monday 12th February 2018 – Monday 16th February 2018
Thursday 29th March 2018 – last day of term (school finishes at 1:30 pm)

SUMMER TERM 2018

Monday 16th April 2018 INSET Day – school closed for pupils
Tuesday 17th April 2018 – first day of term
Monday 7th May 2018 – May Bank Holiday
Half Term – Monday 28th May 2018 – Friday 1st June 2018
Tuesday 24th July 2018 – last day of term (school finishes at 1:30 pm)

Autism Awareness Week
Next week we will be celebrating Autism Awareness Week. All classes will be doing activities to celebrate this special occasion. There will be a non-uniform day on Wednesday 29th March, when children are invited to dress up in onesies.

A donation of £1 would be appreciated.

Year 6
We have a number of before and after school interventions running for some Year 6 pupils. A huge thank you to all the staff who volunteered their time to give our pupils extra support in the lead up to the SATS. Some pupils are also invited to Easter Revision Classes. We ask they return their permission slips as soon as possible, if they have not already done so.
Festivals of Learning
The last week of term is our Festival of Learning Week and it is an opportunity for parents to come into school and look at what pupils have been learning about during Spring Term. The Festival of Learning dates are:

Year 1 - Tuesday 28th March 2017 at 9:00am
Year 2 - Tuesday 28th March 2017 at 9:00am
Year 3 – Wednesday 29th March 2017 at 9:00am
Year 5 – Wednesday 29th March at 9:10am
Year 6 – Wednesday 29th March at 9:10am
Nursery AM – Thursday 30th March 2017 at 9:00am
Nursery PM – Thursday 30th March 2017 at 12:30pm
Reception – Thursday 30th March 2017 at 3:00pm
Year 4 - Thursday 30th March 2017 at 9:10am

Sainsbury’s vouchers
Thank you to those that have already donated vouchers to us. We are still collecting vouchers in the box in the main reception area, outside the school office.

Assemblies:

Please see below the assembly schedule for spring term. All parents are invited to attend our Friday whole school assemblies so come along and support your child. Parents are also able to join us for a coffee afterwards.

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Coffee Morning focus:

Parent information sessions – Spring Term

Just pop in and join us for a coffee and a discussion about the topic of focus for the week. No need to book in advance.

Where: Holywell Conference Room
When: Tuesday 9:00am
Who: Sam Ward and members from Holywell Primary School

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Charter and Star Certificates this week, congratulations to:

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Dates for your Diary

Monday 27th March – Festival of Learning Week
Tuesday 28th March 2017 at 9:00am - Year 1
Tuesday 28th March 2017 at 9:00am – Year 2
Wednesday 29th March 2017 at 9:00am - Year 3
Wednesday 29th March at 9:10am - Year 5
Wednesday 29th March at 9.10am – Year 6
Wednesday 29th March – High 5 Netball Tournament at Queens School – Year 5/6
Thursday 30th March 2017 at 9:00am - Nursery am
Thursday 30th March 2017 at 9:10am – Year 4
Thursday 30th March 2017 at 12:30pm - Nursery pm
Thursday 30th March 2017 at 3:00pm - Reception
Friday 31st March – PM Nursery to attend AM session 9:00 to 12:00 midday

Friday 31st March – School closes at 1:30pm for Easter Holiday
Monday 3rd April 2017 to Monday 17th April – Easter Break
Tuesday 18th April 2017 INSET Day – school closed for pupils
Wednesday 19th April 2017 - First day of Summer Term

PTA Dates
Thursday 30th March 2017 - Movie Night!!

Attendance
Whole school Attendance up to Friday last week for this academic year is 95 %

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KS1 Hawthorn  
KS2 Birch

Punctuality:
KS1 Hawthorn
KS2 Cedar, Rowan, Ash
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SPRING TERM 2017
Thursday 5th & Friday 6th January 2017 INSET Days – school closed for pupils
Monday 9th January 2017 – first day of term
Half Term – Monday 13th February 2017 to Friday 17th February 2017
Friday 31st March 2017 – last day of term (school finishes at 1.30pm)

SUMMER TERM 2017
Tuesday 18th April INSET Day – school closed for pupils
Wednesday 19th April 2017 – first day of term
Monday 1st May 2017 – May Day Bank Holiday – school closed
Half Term – Monday 29th May 2017 to Friday 2nd June 2017
Friday 21st July 2017 – last day of term (school finishes at 1.30pm)

WALL OF WORDS
Create letter and words in paper, animation & 3D
Watford Central Library
Tuesday 4 April

10.00 – 12.00 in CreatorSpace
- Make letters using our 3D printer
- Learn coding and make Chatbot speak
- Make and colour words and letters in paper and card
- Badge making

2.00 – 4.00 in Children’s Library
- Make and colour words and letters
- Listen to stories
- Badge making

FREE EVENT
Further details 0300 123 4049
www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries