

PEAR TREE SCHOOL NEWTLETTER



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As we come towards the end of our first half term at Pear Tree it is time to reflect on what has been a very busy start to our school year.

Alongside the super learning happening in classes across the school, we have also been able to offer enriching experiences for the children in many different ways: our new starters have been welcomed into the school, we have a new host of playground leaders, Singfest rehearsals are up and running, swimming lessons happen weekly, we have raised money for Macmillan, Young Minds and collected for the Foodbank, we have held parents evening and star days, over 40 children have represented the school at sports events and Mrs Minshall has been in to sing with us.

We thank you for your continued support for the school and its place within the community.

Charity Support

Thank you for your support this half term with our coffee morning for Macmillan, our 'Hello Yellow' day for Young Minds and for donations for the Foodbank for our Harvest collection.

We raised £137 for Macmillan, £105 for Young Minds and there has been an incredible collection for Nantwich Foodbank.

Sports

We have sent teams out across Key Stage 2 this half term to tag rugby, Games for All and 3 football tournaments from year 1 to year6. Giving children the opportunity to represent the school at these events is so important and we appreciate your backing and encouragement for our teams.

After half term we have gymnastics, dodgeball, infant sportshall and sportshall athletics!

Admissions

Brine Leas School is consulting on its admissions arrangements for 2026-2027. The only proposed change is to the order of their oversubscription criteria.

The draft 2026-2027 admission policy for Brine Leas School is now on the admissions page of the school website. Comments on this proposed change can be sent to admissions@brineleas.co.uk

The consultation is now open and will run until 3.00pm on Wednesday 20th November.

Brine Leas welcome your feedback on this.

Friday Library

Thank you to everyone who continues to come into Pear Tree to choose a book with their child. Just a reminder that this is an opportunity to share in your child's love of reading rather than for an early pick up.

School Tours

With our current Red Class settled in well, we continue to hold tours for new prospective parents. The school office are able to book anyone in to visit the school who are looking to become part of the Pear Tree family.

Clothing

Please can all items of clothing be clearly named and labelled. We are finding we have an increasing amount of lost property that needs returning to it's owner.

Holidays in Term Time

Unless in exceptional circumstances holidays cannot be authorised in term time. It is our job to promote very high attendance and challenge absences. A letter was emailed to you this week regarding attendance and penalty notices.

If your child is ill, you must contact the school office by 8.30am on the first day of their illness and each morning after that until they return.

It is absolutely vital that all <u>Year 6 pupils are in to sit their SAT tests next May. The assessment week is</u> Monday12th May to Thursday May 15th 2025

PTA

Please email the PTA if you want to get involved, have ideas or feedback - we would love to hear from you. PTA@peartreeprimary.co.uk

Diary Dates

Fri 25th Oct – PTA fundraising day. Non-uniform please bring a donation. Uniform and donuts on sale after school 2.45pm in the small hall. If you help to set up please let the office know.

Fri 25th Oct – Break for half term, return Mon 4th Nov

Fri 8th Nov – Indigo class swimming for 6 weeks

Fri 29th Nov – PTA Family Quiz

Weds 11th Dec – Christmas performance Green Blue Indigo and Violet (KS2) St Mary's church 6pm (parent's welcome)

Thurs 12th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day

Mon 16th Dec – Christmas Nativity Red Orange and Yellow (KS1) School hall 1.30pm & 6pm (parent's welcome)

Tues 17th Dec 10.30am – Blue, Indigo & Violet to New Vic theatre to see The Three Musketeers

Weds 18th Dec 10.30am – Red, Orange, Yellow & Green to Lyceum theatre to see Beauty and the

Beast

Friday 20th Dec –Break for Christmas. Return Monday 6th January