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Dear Parents and Carers

What better way to start a newsletter than by congratulating all the pupils for their excellent performances in the end of term productions: we were thrilled to attend a number of Christmas shows over the past couple of weeks and were impressed by the skills of the performers. Our gratitude also goes to the Friends of Pinner Wood for their continuing fundraising – the latest of which being the Christmas fair.

A huge 'thank you' also goes to all involved in the preparations and running of our newly opened provision for pupils with special educational needs. We are proud of the incredible impact the Acorn class has already had so far on the pupils who are part of it, and we look forward to seeing it go from strength to strength.

We are very pleased to have finally welcomed the Ofsted Inspectors to Pinner Wood to showcase what our wonderful school is about. We would like to thank you all staff for their hard work, commitment and dedication – whether they are in the classroom, working in the school office, maintaining our premises, or supporting our lunch provision. We are also incredibly proud of our pupils: not only did you take the inspection in your stride, but also wanted to be involved in saying how much Pinner Wood means to you.

Finally, we said goodbye to Andrew Mortimer, who stepped down from the Governing Body at the beginning of this term. Andrew served on the Governing Board for over 9 years – and what nine years! Andrew's contributions were invaluable, whether when the school temporarily relocated whilst the issue with the chalk mines was remedied, during the pandemic, and most recently with the building of our Acorn provision. Please join me in thanking Andrew for his incredible support and dedication.

With Andrew stepping down, I am delighted to welcome Mrs S. Tiwari, who joins our board as a coopted governor. Mrs Tiwari is very much looking forward to joining us in January, and to putting her skills to good use for the benefit of our school.

To find out more about the Governing Body, what we do, our plans and our committees, please visit the school <u>website</u> or get in touch via our email address <u>governors@pinnerwood.co.uk</u>

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday, and best wishes for 2024.

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Chair of Governors