

Phoenix Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

9th June 2025



We are in the final half term of the year - and we are proud of the excellent behaviour of our children coupled with their remarkable love of learning. It is heartening to see our children thrive and embrace the opportunities we have planned for them.

Our Year 2 children kicked off the term with a drama session lead by Partake that truly brought their history topic, the Great Fire of London, to life. It was a fantastic way to immerse them in learning, allowing the children to explore this significant event creatively. The engagement we saw from them was inspiring, and we know that this hands-on approach will enhance their understanding of history.



Starting today, our Year 1 pupils will undergo their phonics screening. This assessment allows them to shine and demonstrate their phonic skills developed over the course of the year. We are confident that they will showcase all they have learned, and we appreciate your support shown in preparing them for this important moment.

Our new Parents Meeting for September 2025 went really well. We were delighted to welcome our new cohort and share our vision for their educational journey at Phoenix Infant School. We understand how significant this transition is, and we are committed to ensuring a smooth and enjoyable start for every child. For those who would like to revisit the information shared during this meeting, I encourage you to visit our dedicated webpage <u>here</u>.

In our Foundation Stage 2 (F2), we are thrilled to announce that our children have returned to the unit following a lengthy period in the hall. They made us incredibly proud during this time, demonstrating adaptability and resilience. It is evident that they have settled back in beautifully, showcasing their pride in their classroom and eagerness to engage with new learning experiences.



We are excited to announce that our staff will be holding an after-school Carnival for the children of Phoenix on Thursday, 3rd July. This promises to be a delightful event, filled with fun and exciting activities that your children will thoroughly enjoy.

The cost for each child will be £6, which covers unlimited juice, a hotdog, a sweet treat, and a raffle ticket for a chance to win a fantastic family pass to Gulliver's Kingdom. We have an great range of activities lined up, including a bouncy castle, disco, tattoos, and a variety of sports. It is sure to be an unforgettable evening for our children!

Please note that no physical tickets will be issued; your child will be added to the register and also entered into the raffle draw upon booking. As a special treat, we are making this day a nonuniform day, so children are welcome to come dressed in their own clothes. They will stay at school after hours and need to be collected at 5:30 pm from their usual pick-up locations.

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity! Click here to book your child's place: <u>BOOK NOW</u>.



Overall, attendance is good and continues to improve, and we appreciate your commitment to ensuring your children are present for their lessons. However, we have noticed a concerning trend regarding attendance on Fridays. It appears that some children are consistently missing school on this particular day, which we find unacceptable.

Regular attendance plays a vital role in not only academic achievement but also in the development of social skills and friendships among peers. We understand that there can be legitimate reasons for absence; nevertheless, it is important to acknowledge that frequent missed days can hinder our children's progress.

As we move forward, we will be monitoring attendance patterns closely, especially on Fridays. In cases where we see ongoing issues, we will take appropriate action in liaison with individual families to understand the root causes and provide necessary support.

Thank you for your continued partnership in ensuring that all children receive the best possible education. Together, we can work towards improving attendance further.



Class photographs will be taken on Thursday, 19th June. This is a wonderful opportunity to capture memories of your children during their time at school. Please ensure that your children come dressed as usual in their school uniform

Diary dates

- W/C 9th June 2025 Year 1 Phonics Screening
- Thursday 12th June 2025 Year 2 Residential to Gulliver's Valley
- Wednesday 18th June 2025- KS1 Sports day 9.30am
- Thursday 19th June 2025 School photographer in Class photographs
- Saturday 21st June 2025 Stay and Play 1pm 3pm Please note change of date
- Wednesday 25th June 2025 F1/F2 Sports day 10.00am / 2.00pm
- Monday, 30th June 2025 Parents informed child's class teacher for next year
- Wednesday 2nd July 2025 Moving up Morning
- Thursday 3rd July Phoenix Carnival
- Friday 4th July 2025- INSET DAY
- Friday 11th July 2025 -Reports to parents
- Thursday 24th July 2025 Year 2 Leavers assembly 2.00pm
- Friday 25th July 2025- Last day of term- END OF ACADEMIC YEAR

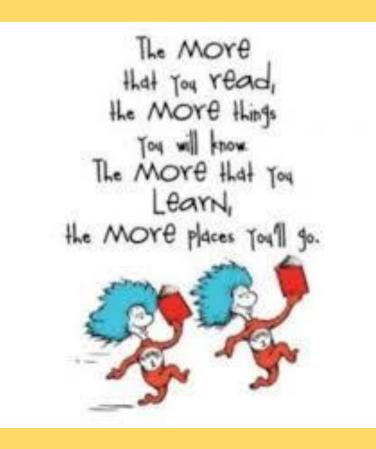
AUTUMN TERM -please see next page for an overview of school holidays as well as the INSET days for the next academic year.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Wednesday 3rd September - First day of term for children moving into KS1 2025

Wednesday 3rd September 2025 -F2 -First day back for new school starters who have NOT attended Phoenix Nursery.

Thursday 4th September 2025 -Children who attended our Nursery will start in F2.



Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2025-2026 August 2025 to July 2026



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School Holidays

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Summer Term 13 April - 22 May 5 weeks 4 days 1 June - 27 July 8 weeks 1 day

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Public Holidays

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