

Phoenix Infant and Nursery School

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It has been another great week at Phoenix! Our classrooms have been incredibly calm and purposeful, and it has been wonderful to see the children so settled, engaged and enthusiastic about their learning. Across school, the children have continued to show kindness, independence and a real determination to do their very best.

OPAL play is also going from strength to strength. This week, we held a development meeting with our OPAL mentor, who was incredibly impressed by the range of play opportunities on offer and the progress we have made. It was fantastic to have our hard work recognised, and we are excited to continue developing even more creative, active and imaginative play experiences for all our children.



Tuesday 29 September at 9.15am

Come along to our coffee morning and enjoy a friendly, informal get-together with other parents and carers. It is a lovely opportunity to meet new people, have a chat and get to know other members of our school community. Please come in through the main entrance. Everyone is welcome, and we would be delighted to see you there!



F2 Curriculum Evening - Wednesday 30 September 2026 at 5.30pm

KS1 Curriculum Evening (Year 1 and 2) - Wednesday 7 October 2026 at 5.30pm

We warmly invite parents and carers to come along to the curriculum evening for their child's year group. This is an opportunity to find out more about what your child will be taught, how learning is organised and the approaches we use in the classroom. Staff will explain key areas of the curriculum, share practical ideas and helpful tips for supporting learning at home, and answer any questions you may have. We look forward to welcoming you!

On Friday 2 October, we will be saying a fond farewell to Mr Harper, our Site Manager. He has worked tirelessly to maintain our school site and support health and safety, while also being at the forefront of our OPAL developments. From building the welly stand, stage, mud kitchen, dens and go-karts to creating the planters at the front of school—the list goes on! We are delighted that Mr Harper will be returning regularly as a volunteer to continue developing the children's OPAL experiences and to work alongside them in creating exciting new areas. Watch this space! We are also delighted to welcome our new Site Manager, Mr Scrimshaw, who has been shadowing Mr Harper to learn the ropes and ensure a smooth handover.

Autumn Term

Coffee morning - Tuesday, 29th September at 9.15am

F2 Curriculum evening - Wednesday, 30th September at 5.30PM

KS1 Curriculum Evening - Wednesday, 7th October 2026 at 5:30 PM

Stay and Play - Saturday 10th October -1pm until 3pm.

F2 Parents' Evenings - Monday, 12th October and Wednesday, 14th October 2026

KS1 Parents' Evenings - Tuesday, 13th October and Thursday, 15th October 2026

Half Term - Monday, 19th October 2026 to Friday, 30th October 2026

INSET Day - Monday, 2nd November 2026 - School closed for children

F2 Christmas Performance (Puffins and Finches) - Tuesday, 8th December 2026 at 2:00 PM

Nursery Christmas Performance - Thursday, 10th December 2026 (10:00 AM and 2:00 PM)

Santa's Grotto - Saturday, 12th December 2026

KS1 Christmas Performance (Woodpeckers, Hummingbirds and Kingfishers) -

Wednesday, 16th December 2026 at 2:00 PM and Thursday, 17th December 2026 at 9:30 AM

Pantomime/Party Day (including Christmas Dinner) - Friday, 18th December 2026 (Panto pm)

Last Day of Autumn Term - Friday, 18th December 2026

Spring Term

Back to School - Monday, 4th January 2027

Safer Internet Day - Tuesday, 9th February 2027

INSET Day - Friday, 12th February 2027 - School closed for children

Half Term - Monday, 15th February 2027 to Friday, 19th February 2027

First Day of Term - Monday, 22nd February 2027

World Book Day - Thursday, 4th March 2027

Easter Disco - Friday, 19th March 2027

F2 Parents' Evenings (Puffins and Finches) - Monday, 22nd March and Wednesday, 24th March 2027

KS1 Parents' Evenings (Hummingbirds, Kingfishers, and Woodpeckers) - Tuesday, 23rd March and Thursday, 25th March 2027

Last Day of Spring Term - Thursday, 25th March 2027

Summer Term

INSET Day - Monday, 12th April 2027 - School closed for children

First Day of Summer Term - Monday, 12th April 2027

Half Term - Monday, 31st May 2027 to Friday, 4th June 2027

Year 1 Phonics Screening - Week commencing 14th June 2027

Year 2 Residential Trip to Gulliver's Valley - details to follow - Thursday, 17th June 2027

KS1 Sports Day (Hummingbirds, Kingfishers/Woodpeckers) - Thursday, 24th June 2027 at 9:30 AM

F1/F2 Sports Day (Nursery, Finches, and Puffins) - Wednesday, 23rd June 2027 (times: 10 AM)

Carnival (after school fundraiser for children)- Friday 9th July 2027

Year 2 Leavers Assembly - Tuesday, 27th July 2027 at 2:00 PM

Last Day of Term - Wednesday, 28th July 2027 - End of Academic Year



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School Holidays
 Public Holidays
 Administration Day

Autumn Term

1 September - 16 October 6 weeks 4 days
 2 November - 18 December 7 weeks

Spring Term

4 January - 12 February 6 weeks
 22 February - 25 March 4 weeks 4 days

Summer Term

12 April - 28 May 6 weeks 4 days
 7 June - 28 July 7 weeks 3 days

INSET days - school closed for children
 Tuesday 1st September 2026
 Wednesday 2nd September 2026
 Monday 2nd November 2026
 Friday 12th February 2027
 Monday 12th April 2027