



We are proud to be a warm and inclusive school where every child and family feels welcome, valued and that they truly belong. Our Language of the Month helps us celebrate the wonderful diversity within our school community and recognise the many languages spoken by our children, families and staff. Our families bring a rich variety of cultures, traditions and languages to our school. We are proud that our community speaks many different languages, including English, Punjabi, Italian, Polish, Bulgarian, Spanish, Urdu, Afrikaans, Arabic, Cantonese, Telugu, Farsi and Bengali. Some of our children also communicate using Makaton.

By learning about and celebrating one another's languages, we aim to:

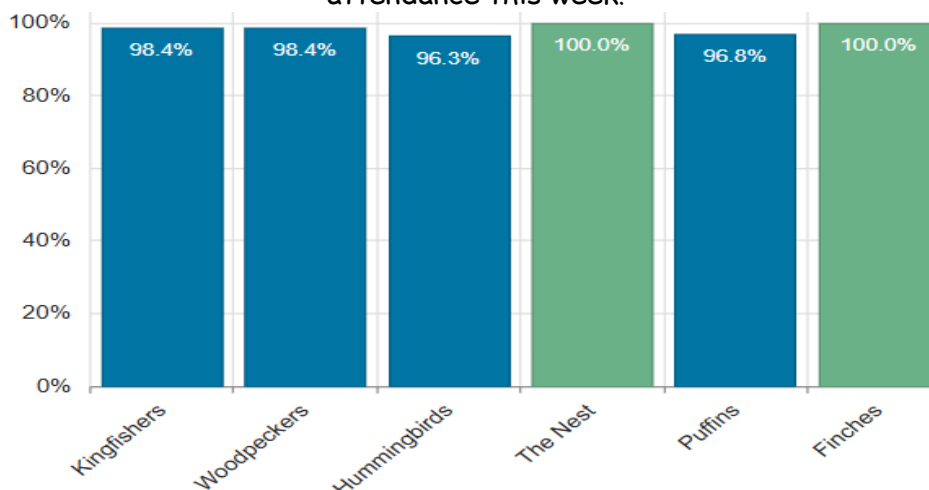
- show respect and appreciation for the different languages and cultures within our community;
- give parents and carers opportunities to share their knowledge and become actively involved in their children's learning;
- broaden the language skills and cultural awareness of all our children and staff; and
- give bilingual and multilingual children the opportunity to proudly share and celebrate their valuable language skills.

In September, the children enjoyed learning some Arabic. This month, our Language of the Month is Czech. Please take a look at our website to find out more and explore some Czech words and phrases with your child: <https://www.phoenixinfant.co.uk/page/?title=Czech+%2D+October&pid=130>.

Let's celebrate this week's attendance!

A huge well done to all our families! Our attendance this week is 97.8%, showing how closely families are working with school to help their children achieve the highest possible attendance.

A special congratulations to Finches and The Nest, who both achieved a fantastic 100% attendance this week!



Engaging with and working alongside our families is a vital part of our school ethos. We know that when school and home families work together, our children benefit enormously, so we always love opportunities to welcome families into school.

This week, we welcomed families to our *Coffee Morning*, where we had a small but perfectly formed group of parents join us for a chat, a coffee and a chance to share ideas and information. It was lovely to spend some time together! We also held an *F2 Information Evening*, with a focus on reading and how you can support your child at home. We hope you found the session useful and informative.

Next week, we will be welcoming our KS1 parents into school for our *Curriculum Evening*. This will give you lots of useful information about the curriculum, what your child will be learning and, importantly, how you can support them at home.

📅 Wednesday 7th October 2026

🕒 5.30pm



Continuing our theme of working together with our families, we are also looking forward to welcoming you to our *Stay and Play* session this Saturday 10th October, from 1-3pm. Come along and enjoy an afternoon of Phoenix fun with your children. It will be a lovely opportunity to spend time together as a school community, have some fun and enjoy being part of Phoenix outside of the usual school day. We would love to see you there! ❤️



Here is a brief snapshot of some of the fabulous, creative learning that took place at Phoenix last week. Here's to another exciting week of learning, exploring and having fun together!

We hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter and thank you for your continued support in making Phoenix such a warm and welcoming school community.

Mrs Harper and the Phoenix Team

Autumn Term

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

School Photographer in - Tuesday 3rd November 2026

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