



Phoenix Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter
20 December
2024



I hope this letter finds you well as we approach the end of a wonderful Autumn term here at Phoenix! I am really pleased how well our new children have settled into school life at Phoenix or into their new year groups this term. It is heartening to reflect on the past few months and witness the children thriving and thoroughly enjoying their learning experiences.

At our school, we plan our learning based on key drivers that create an environment where "learning is LOVED!" The principles of Language, Opportunity, Values, Excellence, and Diversity are seamlessly woven into our curriculum. This approach has sparked curiosity and engagement, leading to both academic progress and the development of our children as polite and well-mannered individuals. Our enrichment activities, such as visits from various professionals and experiences have significantly contributed to their growth.



We have received numerous positive comments from external visitors regarding our pupils' behaviour and enthusiasm, particularly when engaging with our local community. Such feedback serves as a testament to the supportive and nurturing environment we have built together.

Despite the ongoing building works, I am proud to report that the school has remained fully functional. Both staff and students have adapted to the new routines remarkably well. I would like to inform you that in January, the next class to utilise the hall as a classroom will be F2, starting from Monday, 13th January. Further details regarding drop-off and pick-up arrangements will be provided shortly.

Your encouragement at home plays a crucial role in your child's education, and I would like to express my gratitude for your continued support. The past week has been filled with memorable events, including performances, the pantomime, and party day celebrations, all of which have contributed to a happy and fun school experience.

Please note that the first day back for all children will be on Monday, 6th January 2025. Our nursery children will return on Tuesday, 7th January, as we will be hosting stay and play sessions for our new starters. We eagerly anticipate welcoming everyone back, refreshed and ready for the new term ahead.

As the festive season approaches, I would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you for your continued support- we really appreciate it!

Mrs Harper

- **Back to school: Monday 6th January 2025 Spring term**

Spring

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- **Friday 31st January - Parent/carer coffee and chat - School coffee morning - all welcome**
- **Tuesday 11th February 2024- Safer Internet Day**
- **Half term: Monday, 17th February 2025 to Friday, 21st February 2025**
- **Monday 24th February 2025 - First day of term**
- **Thursday 6th March 2025 - World Book Day**
- **Monday 24th March and Wednesday 26th March 2024 - F2 Parents evening (Classes 1 and 2)**
- **Tuesday 25th March and Thursday 27th March 2024 - KS1 Parents evening (Classes 3,4,5 and 6)**
- **Friday 4th April 2024- Last day of term**

Summer

- **Tuesday 22nd April - First day of summer Term**
- **Half term - Monday 26 May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025**
- **W/C 9th June 2024 - Year 1 Phonics Screening**
- **Thursday 12th June 2025 - Year 2 Residential to Gulliver's Valley - details to follow (please note change of date)**
- **Wednesday 18th June 2025 9.30 am - KS1 Sports day 9.30am**
- **Tuesday 25th June 2025 - F1/F2 Sports day 10.00am / 2.00pm**
- **Friday 4th July 2024- INSET DAY**
- **Thursday 24th July 2025 - Year 2 Leavers assembly 2.00pm**
- **Friday 25th July 2025- Last day of term- END OF ACADEMIC YEAR**

