



Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now half way through the Autumn Term and it is lovely to see just how well the children at Phoenix Primary School have been getting on. The work that all children are producing is phenomenal and it is so pleasing when children talk and share their hard work so positively with myself and other members of staff. This half term has been a jam packed full of exciting and engaging activities, and I am so happy to share the latest with you in this newsletter. Thank you again for your continued support and I wish everybody a happy and restful half term,

Ms Joines

Key Dates

Monday 22nd October —Friday 26th October

School Closed: Half Term

Monday 29th October

School Closed: INSET Day

13th November

Phonic workshop for parents of Reception pupils

9am Main Hall

20th November

Flu immunisation for Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5

Friday 14th December

9:30am: Y2 Hawk, Y2 Parrot & Y1 Puffin - Christmas Performance

2:30pm: Y2 Firecrest, Y2 Skylark, Y1 Woodpecker & Y1 Cuckoo - Christmas Performance

Thursday 20th December

9:15am: Y3 Christmas Carol Concert

2:45pm: Y4, Y5 & Y6 Christmas Carol Concert

Friday 21st December

End of Term—Finish at **2:00pm**



On October 9th, Councillor Richard Livingstone came to Phoenix for the launch of the Road Safety Characters. It was such a pleasure to be asked to help support this campaign and have our children featured in the photographs.

You may have seen the characters outside of the school; please remember not to stop or park on the yellow markings. They are there to ensure that the children are kept safe when leaving the school and crossing the road.

Please also be reminded that parents are not allowed to park in the school car park; this creates a risk to children who are walking along the pavement at a time when there is already a lot of traffic in the area.

There will be a **FREE** session for Southwark parents and carers to find out about how you can help your children manage some of the risks and feel more confident about your online parenting. The session will be run by Parent Zone, the leading experts in providing information to parents on the digital world.

Where: Bells Garden Community Centre **When:** Thursday 15th November 2018 7:30pm-8:30pm

If you would like to attend, please sign up at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/digital-parenting-workshop-for-southwark-parents-peckham-bells-gardens-community-centre-tickets-51508246552

Year 2 have been learning about London this half term so they took a trip into town to visit Tower Bridge and The Tower of London. Whilst there they met a Yeoman Warder and learned about some of the history of the tower.

Did you know...there are over 23,500 jewels in the tower today and their value is estimated to exceed £20 billion!



This month, we have been celebrating Black History Month. Across the school we have been looking at important figures in the black community. EYFS, they have been learning about the singer Beyoncé; Year 1 have been looking at the runner Mo Farah; Year 2 have researched the life of Simon Biles, a gymnast; Year 3 have explored the dynamic duo, Venus and Serena Williams; Year 4 have been exploring Oprah Winfrey and the impact she had on her community; Year 5 have had fun looking at the life and career of Muhammed Ali and Year 6 have explored the sporting career of Pele. Children across the school have been learning about the impact that these significant people have had on communities all across the world and the importance of Black History Month.



“Black History Month is important because it teaches us that we need to make everything fair for black people and white people” – Tyrese Yr 4.

“Black History Month is important because we need to learn how other people used to treat black people and how now people are fighting for equality and peace.” – David O. Yr 5.

Year 4 went on a trip to explore the religious places in our neighbourhood. They visited the Old Kent Road Mosque where the Imam spoke to them about the worship that they do in the mosque. The children also learned about what charity work they do, including how they help the local community. Following their visit to the mosque, Year 4 visited St Philip's church where Father David showed them around and spoke about what worships they do in the church and how they support the local community. After their visits, the children looked at the similarities and differences between the church and mosque. They had lots of fun comparing the two places of worship.

