



# Newsletter

FRIDAY 25TH MAY 2018

It has been such a busy and productive half term—there have been so many learning experiences taking place across the school, not to mention the hard work that the Year 2 and Year 6 pupils have put in for their SATs tests.

As it is my last day, before I going on maternity leave I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very happy final term — it is a fantastic time to really celebrate all of the amazing achievements that the children have made throughout this year. I know that the rest of the summer term will be full of even more wonderful and experiential learning opportunities that the children will really enjoy!

*Miss Thomas*

## Key Dates

Monday 4th June — Return to School

Wednesday 4th July — KS1 and KS2 Sports Day

Thursday 5th July—Parents Open afternoon 2.30pm onwards

Friday 6th July—EYFS Sports Day

Thursday 12th July—Year 6 Production

Celebration Assemblies

Monday 16th July—	9.15am Yr 5	2.45pm Yr 4
Tuesday 17th July—	9.15am Yr 3	2.45pm Yr 2 Firecrest & Skylark
Wednesday 18th July—	9.15am Yr 2 Hawk & Parrot	2.45pm Yr 1 Penguin & Puffin
Thursday 19th July—	9.15am Yr 1 Cuckoo & Woodpecker	
	11am Nursery	2.30pm Reception
Friday 20th July—	9.15am Yr 6	

Friday 13th July — INSET day

Friday 20th July — End of Term: Children finish at 2pm

## Year 4 — Rainforest visit

The rainforest came to Phoenix this term when the Year 4s had a very special visit from snakes, tarantulas and cockroaches! All the children had the opportunity to hold the animals if they wanted and I know this will lead into a really exciting topic.

*"I liked the snake because the skin was quite slimy—I wasn't expecting that!"* Freddie Huntley Cooper (Pelican class)





### Year 4—PGL

Year 4 had such a fantastic time at PGL—they experienced a range of activities such as quad biking, zip wire, fencing and raft building! The weather was beautiful and they all had an amazing time at the camp fire, but their favourite part was definitely the disco on the last night!

Ms Van Zyl



### Year 5—trip to France

Bonjour! Children in Year 5 were given the opportunity to stay in the picturesque town of Criel-sur-Mer, an old fishing village in Upper Normandy. Whilst in France, the children had explored a range of historical towns and features. The first stop was Dieppe to learn about Abraham Duquesne and the WWII beach landing and then Vimy Ridge – the site which saw fighting between France, Britain and Canada against the Germans on hill 145. The children were then able to explore the reconstructed and preserved trenches and defences from WWI.

The group were also lucky enough to visit a goat farm in the Neufchatel-en-Bray. They were given goats' milk to taste, organic cream cheese, yogurts and refined cheeses with home-grown herbs. They all enjoyed feeding the goats and learned all about the different production techniques involved. The children commented that the trip was definitely a 'tres bien' experience!

Ms Claff



### Phoenix Summer Concert May 10th

On Thursday evening 70 children from Years 2-6 performed to a packed hall.

Performances ranged from solo pianists, a guitar ensemble, solo violinists to big choirs from Year 2 and Year 5. Performers ranged from absolute beginners to accomplished musicians. Every child should be really proud of their achievements. I am sure that every person in the audience would agree with me that it was a fabulous evening, showcasing some of the many talented children we are lucky to have at Phoenix. Thanks to all who came and supported the children. I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did!

Mrs Smith



### Spring Times Table competition

We all had the calculators in our heads switched on this term as the children prepared for our first Times Tables Competition. All of the children worked so hard, I was very impressed! Everyone will have another chance to be crowned the winner next term when we will have another nail biting competition! Well done to the winners!

Year 1 - Sara Moussaoui    Year 2 - Victor Ogundega    Year 3 - Tyrese Uwandu

Year 4- Seray Sesay    Year 5 - Nathaniel Tedla    Year 6 - Tyrese Marfo Senya

Ms Nabirye