



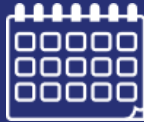
# NEWSLETTER

## A message from our **PRINCIPAL**



Dates for Your

## DIARY



### SWIMMING LESSONS

**CEDAR AND ELDER CLASSES** - EVERY THURSDAY UNTIL THE END OF TERM

### THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER

ELM CLASS TRIP TO DUDLEY ZOO

### MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

BONFIRE ACTIVITIES IN THE FOREST, ALL CHILDREN TO BRING FOREST SCHOOL CLOTHES, WELLIES AND COAT IN TO SCHOOL

### THURSDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

ELM CLASS TRIP TO THE GUDWARA IN WILLENHALL

### WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK—ODD SOCKS DAY ON TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

### WEDNESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

NO PEN DAY—MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

What a fantastic start to the school year we have had. We are in full swing with the academic year and we have had some amazing opportunities to start us off.

The children have begun their swimming lessons and we have recently started playing a fortnightly football tournament at Castle School, giving children the opportunity to represent the school and play as part of a team.

Barbara, Steph and Kelly held a Macmillan Coffee Morning where both parents/carers and children had the chance to buy some of Barbara's delicious cake and we raised a fabulous £184 for a great cause.

This term, children have been learning all about the Blue Abyss and have made some fantastic coral reefs, pizza planets, water cycles and even sun dials.

The children have continued to enjoy their Friday activities, with new activities included

such as "Out and About" where children get to take part in activities that help guide them with life skills.

Next half term, the Friday activities will continue and children will be learning about the "frozen Kingdom" and will be looking at climates, temperatures and the Antarctic. Some classes have trips planned so please make sure you have returned any consent slips. Remember to log in to your child's Class Dojo to keep up to date.

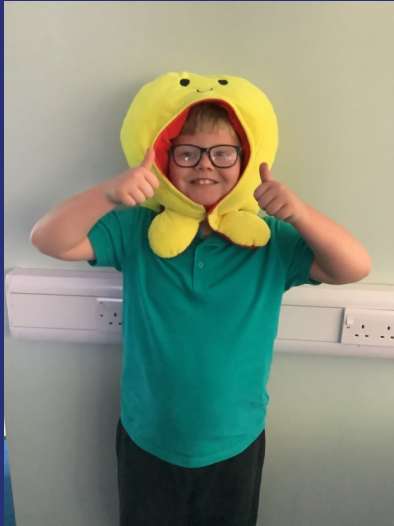
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# Phoenix Academy



Here at Phoenix, we celebrated World Mental Health day by all the children and staff wearing something yellow.

The children took part in activities throughout the day looking at why looking after our mental health is important and what we can do to help ourselves. Each class has re-launched the Worry Monster to support children with their worries that they do not want to verbally share.

## Sharing a problem halves a problem.

Our safeguarding team want to share the Young Minds website with you, please take a look and share with your children -



[YoungMinds | Mental Health Charity For Children And Young People | YoungMinds](#)

# Friday Activities

Next half term the children will have the opportunity to take part in activities on a Friday afternoon. These activities include...

Cooking

Out and About

Construction

Forest

IT Club

Art



# The Orchard



This term has been the launch of The Orchard. The Orchard is our regulation space for children to access when they are having big feelings. The idea is that they choose either calm, sensory, choice or space to regulate before sitting and reflecting on what has happened. It has been a huge success and seems to be supporting our children to find the best strategies when they are struggling to manage class.





# Rainbow Class



This half term in Rainbow, we have been learning how to play Netball during our PE sessions. The pupils have really worked hard to improve their throwing and catching skills. They can now do a chest pass and bounce pass. An amazing effort from all the children in Rainbow.

# Elm Class

Over the summer Elm Classroom had a makeover and expanded. We have now adopted a less formal layout enabling children to learn through hands on experiences and make sense of their surroundings. This has enabled staff to watch the children play creatively in their continuous provision areas, and special themes and activities can be supplied to children as part of enhanced provision. We have worked very hard this half term on becoming Elm Class Team along with embedding our values of acceptance, belonging and regulation.



# Pine Class



This half term, Pine class have enjoyed reading books together as a class and have read several books together! Their favourite was the Stick Man, which they all enjoyed listening to and learning about! We are so proud of how Pine class engages with their reading.



# Ash Class



Ash class has been learning about the different creatures that can be found in our oceans and during one of our art lessons with created textured pictures to depict life under the sea using a variety of different materials.





# Cedar Class



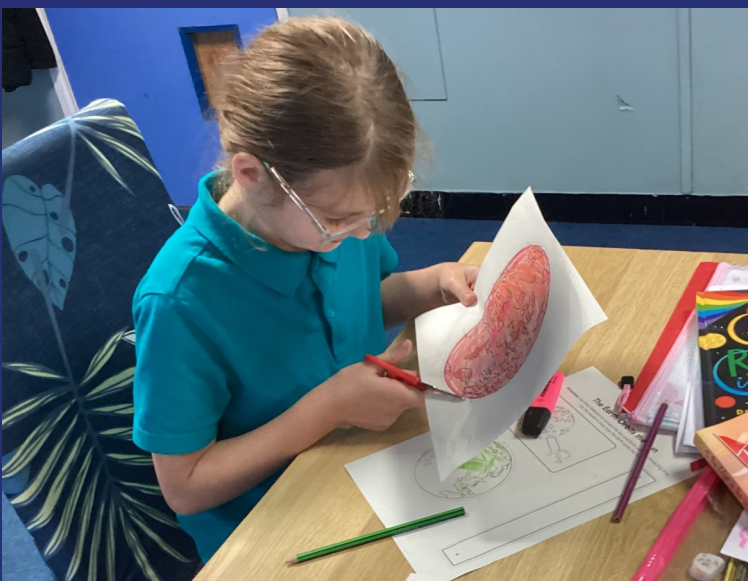
In Cedar Class we made butterfly cakes to raise some money by selling them at the cake sale in school. The children worked together to make the mixture and divide them into the cake cases without making too much mess.



# Elder Class



Elder Class have really enjoyed our Earth and Space topic this half term. They have participated really well in classroom discussions. We have learnt more about the Earth and the celestial bodies in our solar system. Elder class have followed instructions well during these lessons completing a series of practical investigations successfully. They have demonstrated a great understanding of the topic during this half term.





# ATTENDANCE 2024/2025



We would like to remind you all the importance of attendance and the impact this has on your child's learning.

It is important that your child is at school on time and ready to learn at 08.45am. Class Dojo is a great space to message your child's teacher but it is important that you call the school office to make them aware if your child is absent before 9.15am.

Children who arrive late may miss the register and may then lose their morning mark leading to a massive decline in their attendance percentage. Children who are late regularly, miss out on important settling in time and learning.

If you have any concerns around your child's attendance or punctuality, then please come and speak to us.

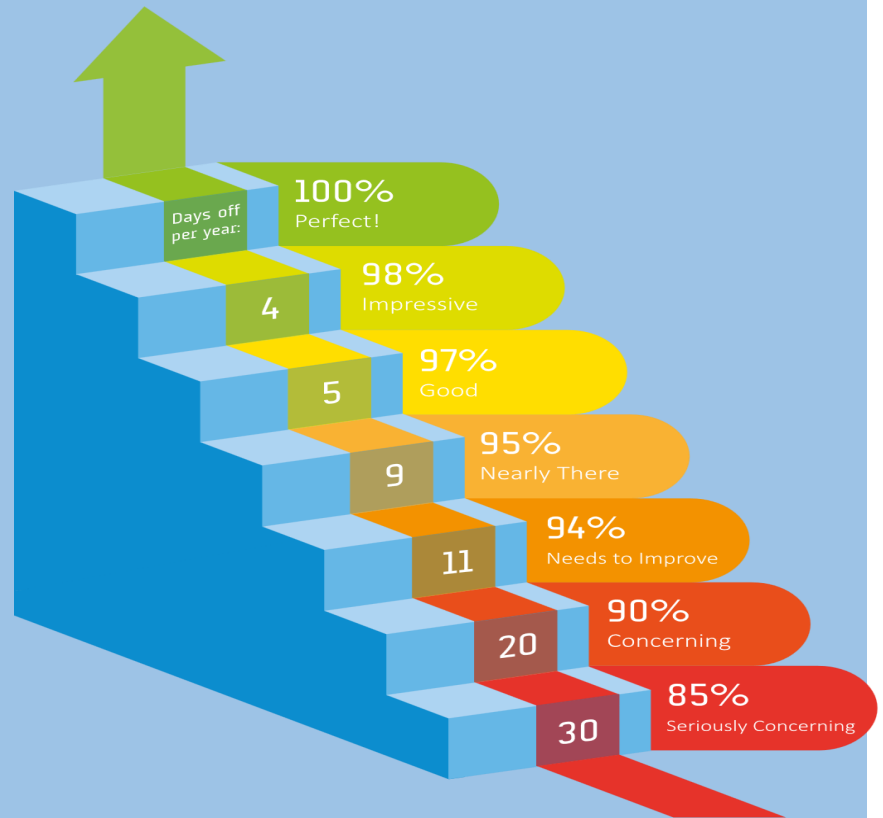




# ATTENDANCE DATA 2024/2025



## Attendance data (AUTUMN TERM 1)



Elm Class— 84%

Pine Class— 83%

Ash Class— 86%

Cedar Class— 75%

Elder Class— 88%

Rainbow Class — 78%

Our overall class attendance is currently lower due to those on part time timetables while on transitions.

# LUNCH MENU

## WEEK 1

### MONDAY

*McMonday's Ultimate  
Cheeseburger*

*Marinated Chicken and Salad  
Wrap*

*Iced Sponge Cake*

### TUESDAY

*Beef Bolognaise*

*Planet Friendly Meatballs*

*Sticky Toffee Pudding*

### WEDNESDAY

*Roast Loin of Pork*

*Quorn Roast (v)*

*Chocolate Brownie*

### THURSDAY

*Chicken Curry*

*Vegetable Curry (v)*

*Flapjack*

### FRIDAY

*Fish & Chips*

*Selection of Pizza's*

*Belgian Waffle*

## WEEK 2

### MONDAY

*Plant –Friendly Hotdog  
served with Diced Potatoes*

*Cheese and Potato Pie (v)*

*Lemon Muffin*

### TUESDAY

*Beef Bolognese*

*Vegetable Lasagne (v)*

*Chocolate Sponge*

### WEDNESDAY

*Sausage & Mash*

*Plant Powered sausage (v)*

*Eton Mess*

### THURSDAY

*Southern Fried Chicken*

*Pizza Pinwheel (v)*

*Sicilian Cookie*

### FRIDAY

*Fish Fingers*

*Marinated Chicken Wrap*

*American Style Pancakes*

## WEEK 3

### MONDAY

*Meatball Sub Roll served  
with Potato Cubes*

*Cheesy Bean Burrito*

*Jam and Coconut Sponge*

### TUESDAY

*Mac 'n' Cheese*

*Quorn Bolognese (v)*

*Mixed Berry Blondie*

### WEDNESDAY

*Roast Chicken*

*Plant Friendly Toad in the Hole (v)*

*Fruit Jelly*

### THURSDAY

*Marinated Chicken Wrap*

*Quorn Nuggets(v)*

*Orange Polenta Cake*

### FRIDAY

*Flipper Dippers*

*Selection of Pizza's*

*Ice-Cream*

**Available Daily: Jacket Potato, Ham, Cheese or Tuna Sandwich,  
Salad Bar, Freshly Baked Bread, Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit**

## TERM DATES 2024

### AUTUMN TERM 2024

Term starts: Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Half term holiday: Monday 28th October 2024 to Friday 1st November 2024

Term ends: Friday 20th December 2024

### SPRING TERM 2025

Term starts: Monday 6th January 2025

Half term holiday: Monday 17th February 2025 to Friday 21st February 2025

Term ends: Friday 11th April 2025

### SUMMER TERM 2025

Term starts: Monday 28th April 2025

Half term holiday: Monday 26th May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025

Term ends: Monday 21st July 2025

### [INSET DATES 2024/2025:](#)

FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2024

MONDAY 6TH JANUARY 2025

MONDAY 17TH MARCH 2025

FRIDAY 20TH JUNE 2025

MONDAY 21ST JULY 2025



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