



Welcome to Phoenix Community Primary School Early Years Parent Transition Meeting



Welcome to Phoenix!



Who are we?

- One form entry, COMMUNITY primary school
- Local Authority School
- Part of CARE Foundation Trust
- 210 children
- 42 members of staff
- Building constructed in 2009



Our values: At Phoenix, we grow individuals who are respectful, aspirational, resilient, kind and curious.

Key Staff



Mrs J Dawes
Headteacher



Mrs S Jansen
Deputy Headteacher



Mrs R Charles
EYFS Teacher



Mrs A Marsh
FLO



Mrs C Tanner
SENCo

Transition into school



By the end of this term we will have:

- visited your child's pre-school setting
- seen your child at stay and play sessions
- seen you at home
- Supported your child to have experienced a longer session at school - THIS Wednesday 9.30 - 2.30pm. Entrance via the main pupil entrance.

Term starts, full time, on Friday 4th September.

Key timings

Breakfast Club (bookable via ParentMail) - 7.45am onwards

School start: 8.40am.

Children must be in school by 8.50am, registration closes at 9am.

Lunch: 12pm

Children will eat in the hall, supervised by a member of their class team.

Hometime: 3.15pm

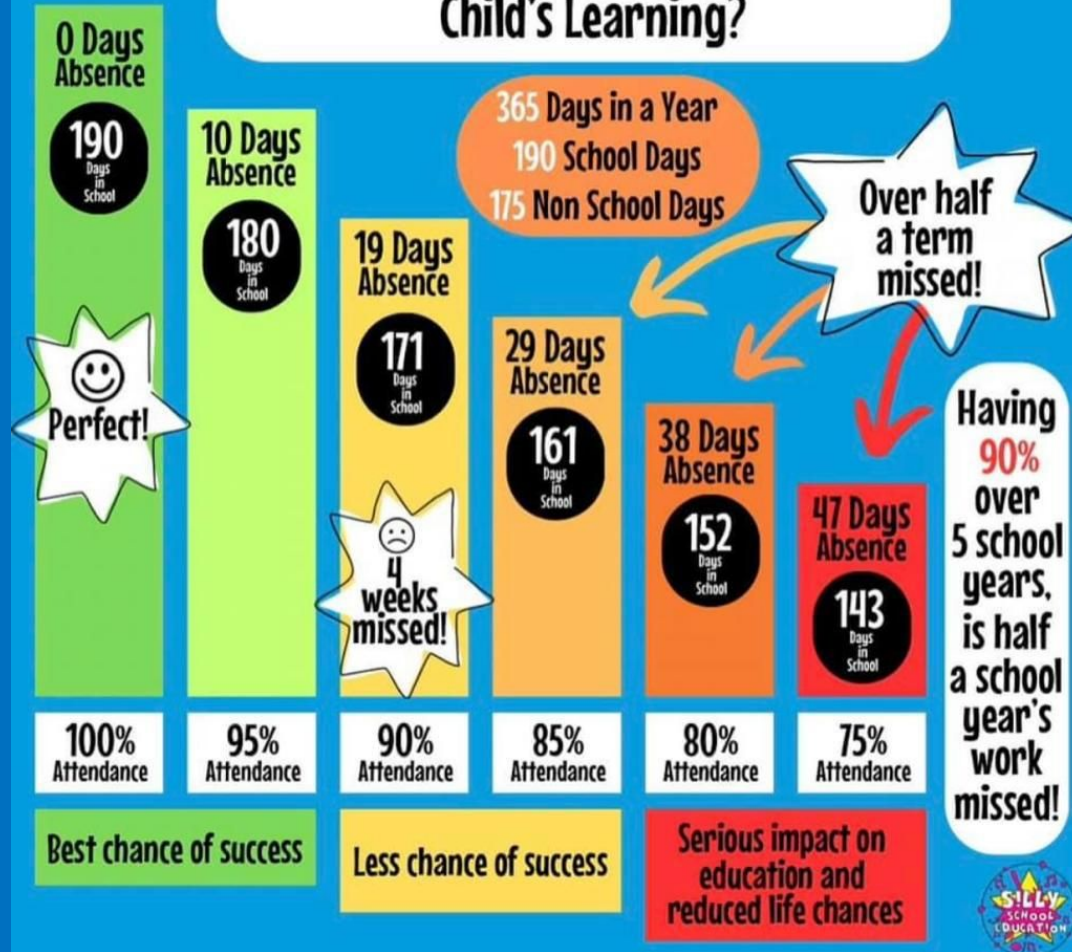
Please collect your child from the first gate as you come through the main gate that leads round to Monkeys. Your children will be brought to the gate by staff.

Owls Club (wraparound): 3.15pm - 5.45pm (bookable via ParentMail)



Attendance

How Does School Attendance Affect a Child's Learning?



If your child is absent for any reason it is essential that you inform the school by phone before 8.40am.

Please remember to call in each day your child is unwell.



What will my child learn at school?

- **EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage)** covers children's learning and care from **birth to age 5**.
- It helps children become **happy, healthy, safe, and ready Year 1**.
- Children learn through **play, exploration, and everyday experiences**.
- Learning is organised into **seven areas**, including language, maths, and personal development.
- **Parents and practitioners work together** to support each child's progress.





Areas of Learning

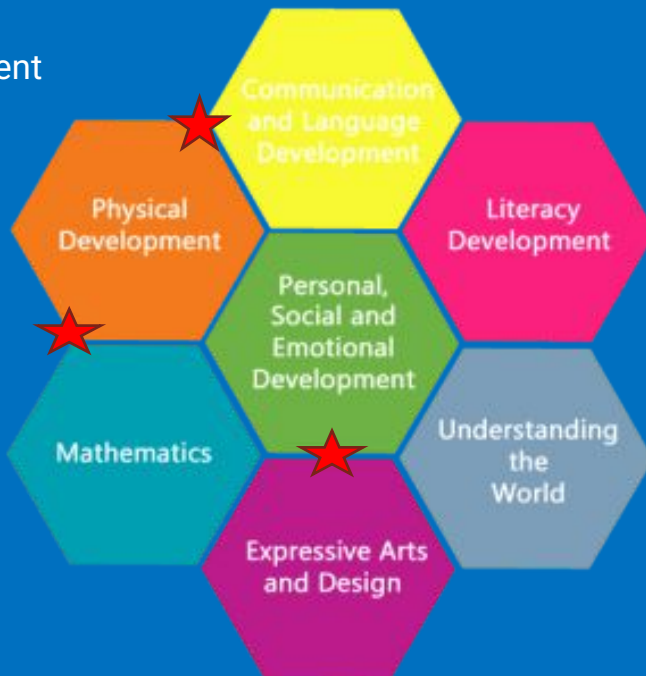
Prime Areas

Communication and language
Personal, social, emotional development
Physical development

- Listening, Attention and Understanding
 - Speaking
- C&L**

- Self-Regulation
 - Managing Self
 - Building Relationships
- PSED**

- Gross Motor Skills
 - Fine Motor Skills
- PD**



Specific Areas

Literacy
Maths
Understanding the world
Expressive arts and design

- Comprehension
 - Word Reading
 - Writing
- LIT**

- Number
- Numerical Patterns

- Past and Present
 - People, Culture and Communities
 - The Natural World
- UTW**

- Creating with Materials
 - Being Imaginative and Expressive
- EAD**



If the prime areas are achieved and well grounded then the other (specific areas) should naturally occur for children within the Early Years Classroom.



Phonics

At Phoenix, we teach early reading skills through a scheme called Read Write Inc (RWi).

The lessons initially taught as whole class but in small groups looking at sound recognition (hearing sounds are equally as important as hearing them)



Phonics

Once they master these basic single letter sounds, they move on to the rest of the Set 1 sounds and start Fred Talking—an RWI technique where children orally segment and blend sounds together to read simple words (e.g., c-a-t = cat).



Phonics



Plus a library book that your child chooses



Uniform

White shirt (polo or buttoned)



Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or dress (summer dress from May onwards)

Blue jumper or cardigan (with or without logo)

School shoes - black



PE (children come to school wearing PE kit on PE days)

Black shorts or joggers

House coloured t-shirt (with or without logo)

Black trainers



What do they need to bring?

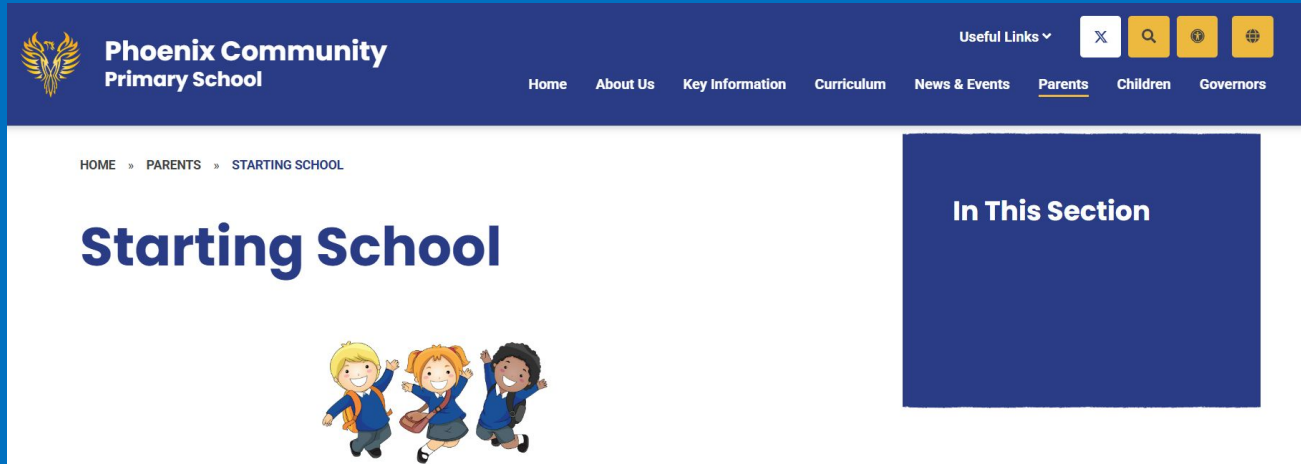
- NAMED water bottle
- Book bag
- Packed lunch (if applicable)
- Coat - we play out in all weathers!
- Welly boots (to stay at school)



School readiness

Children learn when they can be independent!

Please visit our dedicated school readiness webpage:



The screenshot shows the website for Phoenix Community Primary School. The header is dark blue with the school's logo (a stylized phoenix) and name on the left. On the right, there are 'Useful Links' and icons for social media and search. A navigation menu below the header includes 'Home', 'About Us', 'Key Information', 'Curriculum', 'News & Events', 'Parents' (which is underlined), 'Children', and 'Governors'. The main content area has a breadcrumb trail: 'HOME > PARENTS > STARTING SCHOOL'. The title 'Starting School' is prominently displayed in large blue font. Below the title is an illustration of three diverse children in school uniforms. To the right of the main content is a dark blue box with the text 'In This Section'.





Communication matters!

- Staff available each morning and afternoon
- Newsletter every two weeks, termly newsletters and overviews from class
- Parent consultations 2 x per year
- Regular reporting
- Seesaw
- Messaging via ParentMail
- Social media channels





**DON'T
WORRY**



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