



Our values: Resilience, Kindness, Responsibility, Ambition



# Phoenix Primary School Newsletter

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## ✿ Weekly Roundup ✿

### What a fantastic week of sport and community spirit at Phoenix!

Our Year 2 Dodgeball team were incredible – showing great teamwork, determination, and superb behaviour throughout. They were an absolute credit to our school. A huge well done to our Year 2 Boys Football Team, who competed in their first LSSP competition on Monday afternoon. They faced some very strong opposition but showed real resilience and competed brilliantly in every match. Congratulations also to our Cross-Country runners, who took part in the final race of 2025 at Newsham Park on Tuesday. It was a challenging course with plenty of hills, but every single runner finished and gave it their all – a fantastic effort!

Finally, a big thank you to everyone who supported the ‘Friends of Phoenix’ Cake Sale. It was a huge success and hopefully the first of many exciting fundraising events to come. Special thanks to all those who helped organise and run the event – your efforts are greatly appreciated!

**Our focus value for this half term is: KINDNESS**



### Reading at home

Did you know that **reading for just 10 minutes a day** can make a huge difference to a child’s learning and wellbeing? Research shows that children who read regularly outside of school are **more likely to achieve above-average results** in reading, writing, and maths — and also show **higher levels of empathy, imagination, and confidence**.

Try to make reading part of your family’s daily routine — whether it’s sharing a bedtime story, taking turns to read aloud, or letting your child choose a book they love. Those few minutes each day can help nurture a lifelong love of reading and a calmer, more connected family time.



### Food for Thought

Thank you to the ‘Food For Thought’ cookery team, who came into school on Thursday to work with different classes in Phase 2. It’s wonderful to see our children enjoying such engaging and hands-on learning opportunities as part of our broad and balanced curriculum.

### Key Dates/Events



15/10/25 – Y4 Class Trip.

16/10/2025 – World Food Day

21/10/25 – Parents Evening.

24/10/25 – Finish for half term break at 3:20pm

### ★ Attendance Stars ★

*Our whole school target is 97%*

Whole School Attendance:

**94.26%**

Best Class Attendance:

**Year 2 – 97.7%**



### ★ Wellbeing Tips/Tricks ★

Did you know that laughter can actually improve your immune system? Studies show that a good laugh increases the release of antibodies and activates immune cells, helping your body fight off illness. So, this weekend, watch a funny film together, share a few jokes at dinner, or simply take time to laugh as a family — it’s one of the easiest (and healthiest) ways to boost everyone’s wellbeing!