

# News Update

Summer Term 6—Week 1

11th June 2021

Diary Dates	
Class Photos	17th June
New Classes announced	18th June
Sports Day— see note	30th June
Transition Day	7th July
Y1 India Day	14th July New date

# Recognition Awards

Year R: Aashithra A, Sofie E, Amelia P, Sana A, Rosemarie M, Frances S.

Year 1: Gaveer G, Cahrlie M, Auror-Lily F, Oakley R, Daisy M, Beau T

Year 2: Ella W, Daniel Mc, Ebrar K.

#### **Class Photos**

Class photos will be taken during the normal school hours next Thursday—17th.
Please note Yr 1 PE & Y2 extra PE day have been moved the Friday next week. Please come in school uniform on Thursday for the photos and PE kit on Friday.

# **Principal's Post**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the final half-term of this academic year and what a busy and action-packed half-term it will be!



During the INSET day on Monday, the teachers worked hard on annual report writing, whilst remaining staff created new engaging learning environments that will immerse the children in their topics for this term. In Reception, they are learning about the rainforest, in year 1 the children continue to focuson their India topic and year 2 are learning about London. Already, I have been able to see such wonderful work being produced by the children across the academy. It was an absolute privilege and joy to hear children talk so passionately about their learning, what they enjoy about their learning and how they are using the knowledge they have learnt in one lesson to use in another subject. I look forward to being able to meet with more children to share their work with me as the term progresses.

Children will also be participating in the 'PHIA Big Ask' to hear all children's views on life at PHIA: what's positive about coming to the academy and areas that the academy could potentially improve in to support the children further when coming to school. I will share the head-lines of this information, once gathered, later this half-term.

I hope you all have a safe and enjoyable weekend enjoying the sunshine!

Take care and stay safe,

Mr Tom Jordan—Principal

#### Clubs

Remaining clubs will be starting next Monday – Rhythm Masters for Reception children, Musical hands for Year 1 and Craft/ Sewing for Year 2.

If your child has been offered a place in Rythm Masters for Reception children, Musical Hands for Year 1 children and you wish to take up that place—please ensure you have made payment as per the emails sent out last week. If payment has not been received by the organisers your child will not be taken to join the club next term. Any problems—please notify the office.

### A Good Read

During assembly this week, we enjoyed listening to a story called 'All are welcome' by Alexandra Penfold and Suzanne Kaufman. We discussed what the word 'welcome' meant to us and how we can ensure we are welcoming in our academy, as well as in our wider community too. You can listen and share the story again on this link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rFvbOAvWTYA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rFvbOAvWTYA</a> Can you think about a time when you have felt welcomed?





#### **London Landmarks**

As part of their London topic, Aurora have been having fun with geography and maths—recreating the city in our playground.

The children had key landmarks (such as Big Ben, The London Eye, Buckingham Palace) marked around the playground and then had to navigate between them—judging distances and directions.



Working in teams they had to give directions to their colleagues— in terms of steps forward, left or right, and then try out their skills at repeating the process using a compass and directions north, south, east and west.

The children had so much fun one even went for a pretend swim in the pretend Thames!

#### **Useful academy contacts**

General inquiries and attendance: office@phiacademy.org.uk

SEND provision inquiries: inclusion@phiacademy.org.uk

Work submission/ teacher contact: reception@phiacademy.org.uk year1@phiacademy.org.uk year2@phiacademy.org.uk

## **Be Prepared**

Temperatures look set to remain high for next week so could we please remind you all to send your child in to class with a water bottle, will a sun hat if possible, and ready-coated with suntan lotion.

We want our children to be safe out in the sun at break and lunch times.

