

# Pound Hill Infant Academy - Term 1 – Week 7

## Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025



**PHIA Pupil numbers: Reception: 90 Year 1: 87 Year 2: 90**

### Key Term Dates

<b>Week beginning Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025</b>	<b>Unique Week</b>
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	Parents' Evening – book appointment via RMP
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025	Parents' Evening – book appointment via RMP
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025	<b>Last day of term 1</b>
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Academy closed to pupils INSET – Talk for Writing training
<b>Half term</b>	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	Academy closed to pupils INSET – Curriculum Leadership
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	<b>Term 2 begins – Doors open at 0830</b>
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	FOPHIA EYFS Disco – 3.30pm-4pm FoPHIA Year 2 Disco – 4.30pm-5.30pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Year 1 Space Day
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	FoPHIA Year 1 Disco 3.15pm-4.15pm
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Year 1 Space Dome Flu vaccinations (NHS)
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2025	FOPHIA Paint and Sip event
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Non-School Uniform day – donations for FOPHIA Festive Fair
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2025	Parent Drop-in. 2.30pm
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	FOPHIA Festive Fair. 3.30pm-5.30pm
Save the date: Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	EYFS Festive performance (9.15am) Online Place request available via RMP - Notices
Save the date: Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	EYFS Festive performance (9.15am) Year1 Festive performance (2pm) Online Place request available via RMP - Notices
Save the date: Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Year1 Festive performance (9am) Online Place request available via RMP - Notices
Save the date: Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Year 2 Festive performance (2pm) Online Place request available via RMP - Notices
Save the date: Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Year 2 Festive performance (9am) Online Place request available via RMP - Notices
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	<b>Christmas lunch – Chartwells Festive Jumper Day Last day of term</b>
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	INSET – Making adaptations within the curriculum.
<b>Festive holiday</b>	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	<b>Term 3 begins – doors open 0830</b>



## This Week's Spotlight



### UNIQUE WEEK

During the week beginning Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025, the pupils will be participating in 'Unique Week'. Much of the learning will be focusing on pupils having further opportunities to think about, and celebrating, what makes them unique.



**Reception:** This year we will be focussing on 'What makes you shine bright'. We would love to see and hear more about the children's interests and things that they really enjoy doing (this could be at school or at home). If you have any pictures that the children would like to share with use then please can these be named and brought in to school on this week. We looking forward to finding out even more about the children!

**Year 1:** What talents do you have? Can you think of a talent or a skill that you would like to share with others? If your child would like to make a presentation, video or draw a picture about their skill or talent, please bring these in on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October. All pupils will have a chance to present during the week.

**Year2:** Please can you create a presentation at home all about, 'Someone who helps them to grow to be unique!' These presentations can be a Powerpoint (emailed to [office@phiacademy.org.uk](mailto:office@phiacademy.org.uk) ), a poster, cards for prompting, props or pictures. Please bring these in during the week so they can be presented during the week.

### Attendance

We are committed to ensuring all our pupils have every opportunity to develop their learning and have access to new experiences. For this to be fully achieved, the pupils must achieve good levels of attendance.



Any absence affects the pattern of a child's schooling and regular absence may seriously impact their learning. The Department for Education (DfE) defines a pupil as a 'persistent absentee' when **they miss 10% or more** schooling across the school year, for whatever reason.

- **Attendance of 90% = one day absence per month (Persistently Absent)**
- **Attendance of 80% = one day absent per week.**

### Academy day

#### Morning drop-off

Doors open: 0830

Doors and gates shut: 0840

(After 0840, please report to the academy front office, via the front pedestrian gates, near the Health Centre).

#### End of the day:

Collection: 1510-1520

(Gates open at 1500)

### Love of Reading – Book recommendation



### Congratulations to all our Weekly Celebration Winners

**Care Respect Independence Perseverance Success**

**Reception:** A Chowdhury, B Khalipour and A Hadwick

**Year 1:** I Rowe, A Mousa and G Abong'o

**Year 2:** B Pitman, H Kamesh and B Burton

### Wishing our academy community

**a Happy Diwali!**



### Road Safety Notice

If you witness anti-social driving, then please report to Sussex Police, using the **'Operation Crackdown'** link attached in this letter and this link will now be a standing item on the academy newsletter

