

Friday 18th July 2025



Year 5 local geography trip

"I enjoyed seeing a lot of the local wildlife and seeing how the river flows all the way through Taplow." **Millie**

"I enjoyed when the firemen were practising rescuing someone from the weir at Boulter's Lock. They showed us how to make a starfish shape to save ourselves and spoke to us about water safety." **Arjun**

Thank you from the staff for your generous cards and gifts

A big thank you from all of us for your kind and thoughtful messages and gifts, these are all very much appreciated.

Wishing you an amazing summer!



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Flu vaccination on Monday 22nd September

Dear Parent

The Buckinghamshire Immunisation Team uses on-line consent for all school immunisations.

You are required to complete a form to either consent OR decline this immunisation - **please choose the Year Group your child is currently in.**

How do I provide Consent for my child to receive the vaccine?

Please read the information in the Flu Leaflet [Child flu vaccine - NHS](#). It explains the flu vaccine and that some children might need an injection instead of the spray.

Click the link below to fill out the consent form and send it back as soon as you can — at least one full school day before the vaccination day. This helps us make sure your child can get the vaccine at school.

If your child doesn't get the vaccine at school, you can also take them to a community clinic nearby.

1. **Click** the link <https://www.buckschildimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>
2. **Enter** the Unique School Code EE138121
3. **Complete** the form (one per child). Please complete even if you are DECLINING the vaccination.

You can find information about the flu vaccine and asthma, and what to do if you change your mind, below.

More details about all our vaccination programmes are at:

<http://www.buckshealthcare.nhs.uk/School-nursing/immunisations.htm>

Reading at St Nic's

Don't forget to sign up for this year's summer holiday reading challenge – either online or at your local library.
www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

Please bring your certificates back in September, to share with your class teacher!

We can't wait to see what you have been reading!



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House Points

Jaguars	Pumas	Lions	Tigers
81	159	158	117

Congratulations to the Pumas

SEN plans

All SEN plans have been updated
Mrs Birch

Meet the teacher Wednesday 3rd September (Year 1-6)

We would like to invite you to meet your child's teacher on Wednesday 4th September at either 3.40pm or 4.00pm. This will be an ideal opportunity to find out about the year ahead, ask any general questions and see your child's classroom. Information will also be shared on the class pages after the meetings.

We look forward to seeing you.

Young Climate Warriors

Create your own patterns - you could turn to [Andy Goldsworthy for inspiration](#).

Rainforest 'music' patterns help detect illegal deforestation BEFORE it happens - [The Rainforest Connection project](#)

Weather patterns are tracked by meteorologists to monitor our changing climate. Hear a [British Antarctic scientist](#) explain how ice cores are used to measure carbon dioxide levels.

Awe-inspiring patterns in nature ...

Summer holiday challenge!

How many different patterns can you doodle - find the back of an old envelope and give it a try?

Spiralling ferns, polygonal spiders webs, wave patterns on shells, heart-shaped clover leaves, fractals through a sliced cabbage ... teardrop shaped rose petals. Our planet is incredible!

Your challenge this summer is to see how many shapes and patterns you can see in nature - take photos, make sketches, doodle the patterns.

And maybe create your own patterns from leaves, twigs, pinecones, shells, petals ...

When you've completed this challenge ... Remember to hit the red button!



Patterns in Antarctic ice cores reveal that carbon dioxide levels are at an 800,000-year high.



www.youngclimatewarriors.org

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Goodbye and good luck, Class of 2025!

And finally...

Today we say goodbye and wish Miss Oplaat all the best as she leaves us to begin teacher training. We are proud of you!

We also extend a warm welcome to Mrs Morgan and Mrs Hudson who will join us as teaching assistants in September.

Have a wonderful summer!

Ms Holmes and the team





PTA and Community News

ST NICOLAS' SCHOOL PTA SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR

TOGETHER WE RAISED...

£3,061

Thank you to everyone who
Donated prizes
Volunteered their time
Turned up and joined the fun
Supported our stalls

Because of you, we've made a big difference
for our school!





PTA and Community News

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A Huge Thank You to Kirstie

After five amazing years, we say a fond farewell and an enormous **THANK YOU** to Kirstie, one of our PTA's core members. Kirstie began her journey with us as an Angel and quickly became an integral part of the core team, pouring her time, energy, and dedication into everything we do.

Without Kirstie, there wouldn't be the incredible playground our children enjoy every day, or the invaluable IT suite that supports their learning. From summer and Christmas fairs, to discos, wellness evenings, beer tasting, after school sales, doughnut sales to name a few!

Her tireless efforts in fundraising and organising have helped enrich the school experience for every child—and for that, we are deeply grateful.

Kirstie, your impact has been extraordinary. From the school, the pupils, the parents and carers—thank you. You've been amazing, and your legacy will be felt for years to come.

Thank you
very much!



📄 Get Ready for the New Term with Easy2Name! ✍️

Need name labels or a stamp for the new school year this September? Head over to [easy2name.com](https://www.easy2name.com) for all your labelling needs!

📄 Use our unique code **SNSPTA** at checkout to get **FREE shipping**, and for every order placed, the school receives **20% commission** — it's a win-win!

👉 Shop now and support our school at the same time: www.easy2name.com



PTA and Community News

Little Tanks autumn term 2025 – Bookings now Open!!

Bookings are now ****OPEN**** for Little Tanks after school drama club for the autumn term 2025, giving you an opportunity to secure your child's space before the new after school drama club starts on **Wednesday the 10th of September**.

The start of term normally generates a surge of applications therefore if you are interested, please complete payment to avoid disappointment as there are currently now **only 7 spaces available**.

Application form – [Click here to complete](#)

- Day – Wednesday
- Account Name: Little Tanks Ltd
- Account Number: 9949 3876
- Sort Code: 60-83-71
- Reference: SN followed by your child's name
- Amount: £85.00
- Both the form & fee via bank transfer are required to be submitted to secure your child's space
- Flyer attached for more information
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We look forward to welcoming your child to Little Tanks next term and working on developing their confidence skills. If you have any queries, please contact: debi@littletanks.co.uk



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Summer BBQ

"The vicar of Taplow extends a warm welcome to school families to come to a community summer BBQ on Saturday 2nd August 1pm to 4pm. Tickets for sale now from website www.st-nicolas-taplow.org under tab "our shop - shop now". All other details on the poster."

SUMMER BBQ: SATURDAY, 2ND AUGUST
from 1:00pm to 4:00pm in the beautiful Rectory Garden

 **Tickets £10 (for BBQ & Icecream)**
 **Free child with a paying adult**
 **Wine, lager & soft drinks available or bring your own**
 **Raffle**

Vegetarian options available
Chairs available or bring your own chairs/rugs
Tickets available from 'Our Shop' on the St Nicolas Church website

ALL ARE WELCOME!



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ST NICOLAS LUNCHTIME & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

UNITED AS ONE



DAY	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL
Monday 8 th Sept to 8 th Dec	CHESS YR 3-6	FOOTBALL YR 1 & 2	
Thursday 11 th Sept to 11 th Dec	LEGO YR 1 & 2	NETBALL YR 3-6	FOOTBALL YR 3-6
Friday 12 th Sept to 12 th Dec	GIRLS FOOTBALL YR 3-6	DODGEBALL YR 1-6	

**BOOK
HERE!**



***Please note not including October half term
20th - 31st October**

**BOOK ONLINE THROUGH OUR WEBSITE
WWW.MAIDENHEADUNITEDFC.ORG OR THE QR
CODES AND TYPE ST NICOLAS FOR FURTHER
DETAILS CONTACT: MARK NISBET -
MARK.NISBET@MAIDENHEADUNITEDFC.ORG**

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JUNIOR RUGBY

SUNDAYS 10.30-12.00
FREE TASTER

Yearly subs £50
Ages 4-15
Boys & Girls



Phoenix Rugby Club

SAVE THE DATE!! Phoenix RFC youth section (the Fireflies) commences summer training on 17th August 2025 at our clubhouse and pitches at The Sports Ground, Institute Road, Taplow. SL6 0NS. Sessions run from 10.30am to midday and we run rugby for Under 6 (2025/26 school year reception/year 1) to under 12's (year 7). We have RFU qualified coaches for all age groups and coaches have undergone specific training for ND children to ensure we truly are an inclusive club for all abilities. Our ratios of coaches to children are high and all coaches are DBS certified, refresh RFU training yearly and take first aid courses every 2 years. Rugby teaches children RFU core values of Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline and Sportsmanship in a safe and fun environment where we develop fitness, skills and resilience through competitive sport. Contact rugby is from Under 9's and above. Below that, TAG rugby is played leading up to being contact ready by Under 9. We have excellent club facilities which cater for adults and children alike and help foster an unrivalled community hub and club spirit at Phoenix RFC. Phoenix attend tournaments and matches in the surrounding areas and already have a full fixture calendar for 2025/26.

Whether you're new to the game or perhaps feel lost in other, larger clubs then Phoenix is the place for you. Come down and try out for free with no obligation, and then perhaps sign up for Season 2025/26 (September to June) for what are the cheapest subscriptions in the area, £50 per season! Contact Dave Harris (youth chairman) on 07976 314 260 or email4daveharris@gmail.com for more information or simply come down on Sunday 17th August 2025 and meet the coaches to give it a go. Perhaps YOU are a future British & Irish Lion?! Your rugby journey starts at Phoenix RFC Fireflies.

phoenix_rfc_fireflies (Instagram) @phoenix.fireflies (TikTok) www.phoenixrfc.com