

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER JULY 2024



TWO SCHOOLS INSPECTED BY OFSTED

In June, two of our schools underwent full inspections by the Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills (OFSTED). OFSTED is a non-ministerial department of His Majesty's government, which reports directly to Parliament, parents, carers and commissioners on the quality of education and training provision across the country.

The inspection at Phoenix School was held from 4th June - 6th June. Following the inspection the school received an overall judgement Outstanding as well as outstanding in each of the four key areas - Quality of Education, Leadership & management, behaviour & attitudes and development. Furthermore, the personal inspectors were unable to identify any areas for improvement across the school. This was a phenomenal achievement and one which the team at the Phoenix School are exceptionally proud of.

You can read all about the inspection at Phoenix 🔅 School and the report here

The inspection at Summit was held from 25^{th} – 27^{th} Summit 🖈 June. Following their inspection, maintained their overall grading of Good with good in all four key areas. We are delighted with this achievement and now look forward to 🖈 building on the areas for improvement outlined \bigstar We're so grateful to all that you and your school did to within the report.

You can read all about the inspection at Summit and the report here

"These results demonstrate our continued commitment to providing a high quality education to young people who are receiving in-patient treatment. I am thrilled that our staff teams have received the recognition they deserve; what the inspectors saw is the result of consistent hard work and dedication over a long period of time." – Ed Hall (Head of education)

Staff work hard to incorporate pupils' interests and hobbies into learning sequences. For example, inspectors saw teachers using pupils' special interests, such as coding, algebra, or animal care

to engage and support them. Summit OFSTED report



Phoenix School (Sheffield), **Excel & Exceed Centre (Bury)** and The Summit (Coventry) are DfE registered special schools, providing education for young people admitted to their co-located hospital services.

Our schools are regulated by **OFSTED**

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Excel & Exceed Centre

Phoenix School

Summit School





Phoenix have received some great feedback from a parent of one the YP previously in our ☆ care:-

XXX's done so well since being discharged and we're feeling like very proud parents! She completed all of her exams with no issues at all and is attending all her CAMHS appointments. Now living the usual teenage igtty life of sleeping until noon and spending lots of time with friends!

support XXX during her time at Cygnet. You have a big part to play in getting her to this point. We'll let you know how she gets on at results day!

... Staff morale is high. Staff describe working here as a joy and a privilege.. Phoenix OFSTED report

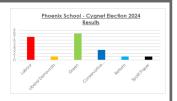
Teachers have strong subject knowledge. Summit OFSTED report

Teachers take genuine pleasure in helping pupils to make significant progress academically, personally and socially... Phoenix OFSTED report

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

What we've been up to this month......

The Phoenix School hosted a **mock election** in the lead up to the UK General Election. Students were given opportunities to read and discuss the key points of the manifestos of the 5 leading UK parties, before casting their votes at our makeshift polling station. We were impressed with how our young people articulated their informed opinions on the big issues such as climate change, defence, immigration and health and social care.



At Summit, our young people got their game on this half term and have been busy preparing and working up for **sports day**! Prior to the sports day our young people have been identifying different sports from A-Z and researching those they weren't aware of. In addition they have also designed their own sports kit (some football inspired!) alongside their own sporting activity they would like to create.

On the day Pixie, Dragon, Faun and Mermaid competed in a series of challenges that included; toe taps, football shuttle runs and archery. Our winning ward was Pixie and were presented with the trophy which takes pride place on the ward. Every young person that participated demonstrated excellent sportsmanship and gave every activity their absolute all! Following sports day our students developed their reflective skills, by reviewing their sports day experience. Most of our young people favorited the Archery but all reviews gave the day a full 5 stars which is fantastic!





The **Phoenix School held their annual end-of-year prom** this month, celebrating the achievements and hard work of all of their students.

Staff and members of the public donated formal wear for our young people to wear for prom, and the school "prom shop" ran for the two weeks running up to the event. We were overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity of people, and our young people had plenty of stunning outfits to choose from. On the day of the event, a professional hairdresser and makeup artists helped our young people to

look and feel incredible. We are fortunate to have two semi-professional photographers working on site and these ensured that each young person had an individual portrait to remember the evening by. Candid shots were also taken of the young people enjoying themselves, and the ever popular selfie booth allowed young people to pose with staff and peers with an array of props.

We ordered in Domino's pizza which went alongside the generous donations of local businesses such as cookies from Subway, cupcakes from Marmadukes, and party food such as cakes and biscuits from Tesco. We also had exciting mocktails – the most popular of which was the "Blue Crush". Young people and staff were wowed and amazed by the unbelievable magic tricks of "Afro Magic" who kept everyone entertained (if not a little mind boggled) throughout the evening.

Our very own MJ (English teacher by day, superstar DJ by night) kept the party going by luring people on to the dancefloor with her trusty prom playlist that was chosen by students. At the end of the evening each young person received an award, and we crowned prom royalty from each of the 3 CAMHS wards. The event was a huge success, and we cannot wait for the next one!





On Friday 12th July, **Forestwood in Bury celebrated their annual prom**. This year's theme was 'Outer Space.' The communal area of treetops was transformed into a galaxy from far, far away and from Mya's Milkyway Mocktail Bar to an Alien Envision, the event was packed full of fun activities. Families

were invited to join the YP's in the earlier half of the afternoon for photos and refreshments. YP's from each ward, accompanied by staff, were present and enjoyed music, drinks, snacks, entertainment and, most importantly, cake!

A big shout out to the OT team for arranging the event and superstar Lauren from Education for zooming around the wards to aid those who required assistance in preparing for the event!

