Featherstone Academy Newsletter-Week Ending- 17/03/2023

A Message from the Headteacher

It was great having parents back in assembly and to see the reaction on both child and parent's faces as they received their certificate. Every day we are always looking to improve, whether that be resources available, technology, the school environment, the learning and progress of the children..... Having reflected on children's learning in subjects outside of English and Maths, we are making quite a considerable change after Easter in years 1-6. At the moment, we fit in all the subjects that we offer into a week. From after Easter, we are trialing teaching one subject per week only (in addition to English, Maths, Science and PE). This is to really allow the children to immerse themselves in learning and to give our children ample time and opportunity to undertake detailed learning in Computing, History, Music etc and for children to really feel the value of these subjects while also allowing wider talents and abilities in these subjects to flourish. I look forward to sharing the impact of these next term.

Key Dates

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20th-24th March-Parent 'Look into Learning' Week

21st March-World Down Syndrome Day- 'Rock your Socks'- **Whole School**

29th March- Easter Bonnet Parade- **Little Learners, Nursery and Reception 9:30am**

30th March- Easter Celebration led by **Year 3 and 4- 9:30am-(year 3/4 parents welcome to attend)**

31st March- **Term Ends**

17th April- **Term Starts**

18th April- Animal man visit- **Years Reception, 1 and 2**

26th April- **Year 5** trip to The Black Country Museum

Class Learning-Next Week

Take a look at what your children will be learning in class week commencing **20/03/2023**

- Nursery- Jaspers Beanstalk- growing beans, counting beans, sequencing the story and learning the days of the week
- Reception- Looking at the first signs of spring- a spring walk, starting our bean diaries
- Year 1- Maths- Capacity, Music- Glockenspiels, D&T-Creating moving pictures
- Year 2- Maths - Length and height and how to measure, Geography - Comparing Coastal towns, ICT - Preparing a presentation using Google Slides
- Year 3- Maths- Fractions, English- The Sheep Pig, non chronological reports and History- Romans
- Year 4- Maths- Fraction, English- The Firework Makers Daughter-setting descriptions, Science- Practical activity on the digestive system
- Year 5- English-to write a prequel/sequel to our book Skelling, R.E.- Continue to look at Holy Week, PSHE- Healthy/ Unhealthy lifestyles
- Year 6 - History- WWII, D&T- Designing frame structures, R.E- Judaism

Book Fair

A huge THANK YOU!

Wow! What a turnout we had to our Scholastic Book Fair. Thank you to all who attended and for your excitement and eagerness to purchase books for your children. There is nothing that makes us more proud than seeing our pupils excited to dive into a new book.

As we have shared, every book purchased will help us to fill our classrooms and library with more exciting texts for your children to read. Thanks to your purchases this week, we have earned a percentage of rewards to spend on new books. Our rewards amount is an incredible £461.70! Thank you!

Our School Council will be involved in choosing the new books for school, continuing to encourage a love for reading in all ages!

Comic Relief

Today Featherstone Academy turned red as we supported Comic Relief; it was great to see all the effort made by children and staff. As a school we made a respectable £92.00 which will help the Comic Relief charity in so may ways. Thankyou for your continued support.

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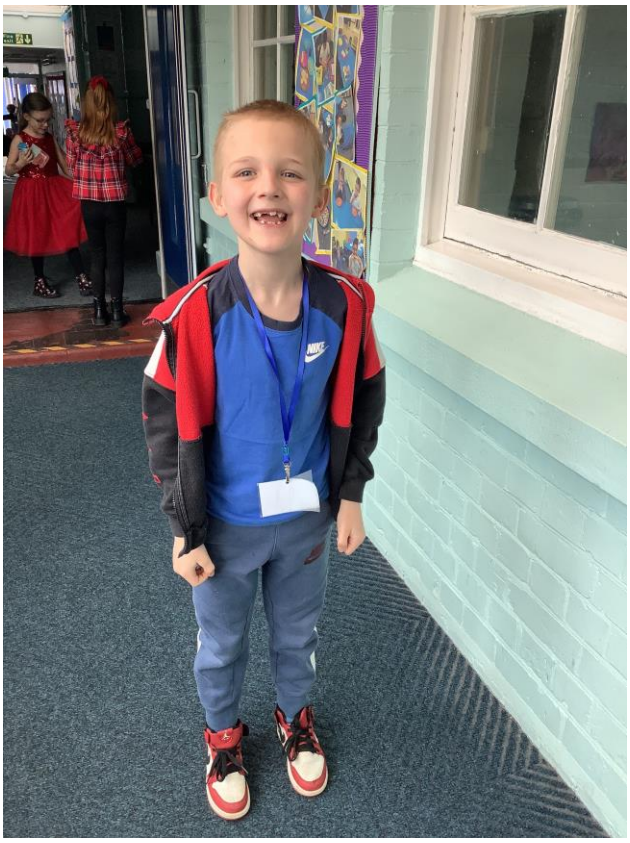


Story Time Suitcases

We would like to share our new Story Time Suitcases with Year 1 and Year 2. Each Friday, children will take it in turns to bring their class Story Time Suitcase home, allowing them to read for pleasure with their family members.

We please ask that Story Time Suitcases are taken care of and returned to school each Monday, ready for the next child to enjoy!

Happy reading!

Short Story Competition

Do you have a flair for creative writing? Do you want to share your story? Then why not enter our Short Story Competition where there is only one rule: Your story must be 500 words or less!

This competition is open to all year groups, please submit your stories to the main office or to Mrs Steatham. We have already had some amazingly creative stories handed in this week.

Closing date - Friday 31st March

Early Years- Easter Bonnet Parade

Celebration Assembly- Golden Book

This Weeks Golden Book:-

Little Learners- **Billie-Jo Francis**

Nursery- **Frankie Blackley**

Reception- **Caleb Ebanks**

Year 1- **Leo Kumar**

Year 2- **Elizabeth Butler**

Year 3**- Amelia Turner**

Year 4**- Freddie Garner**

Year 5- **Jax Bethell**

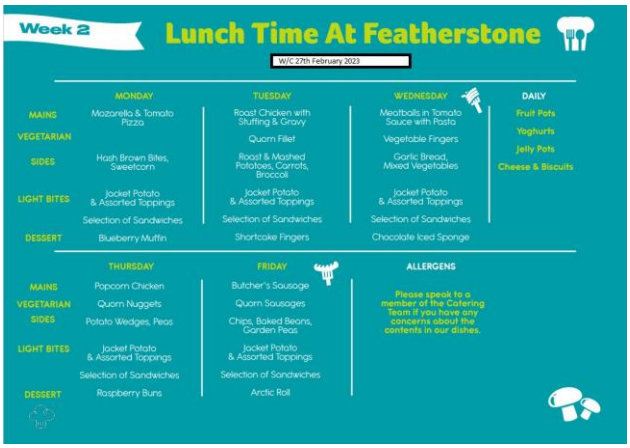
Year 6 - **Jake Johnson**

Headteacher- Mr Gatrad- **Willow Ewers**

Deputy Headteacher- Mrs Steatham- **Phoebe North**

School Lunch Menu-W/C-20/03/2023

The lunch menus will be changing after the Easter break so look out for them on our newsletter and website. Children are going to take part in a survey in class to ask them what they enjoy and dislike eating at lunch time. We are hoping this will offer children exciting, enjoyable and healthy meals each day.



Week 2

Lunch Time At Featherstone

W/C 27th February 2023

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	DAILY
MAINS	Mozarella & Tomato Pizza	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta	Fruit Pots
VEGETARIAN		Quorn Fillet	Vegetable Fingers	Yoghurts
SIDES	Hash Brown Bites, Sweetcorn	Roast & Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli	Garlic Bread, Mixed Vegetables	Jelly Pots
LIGHT BITES	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Cheese & Biscuits
	Selection of Sandwiches	Selection of Sandwiches	Selection of Sandwiches	
DESSERT	Blueberry Muffin	Shortcake Fingers	Chocolate Iced Sponge	

	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	ALLERGENS
MAINS	Popcorn Chicken	Butcher's Sausage	Please speak to a member of the Catering Team if you have any concerns about the contents in our dishes.
VEGETARIAN	Quorn Nuggets	Quorn Sausages	
SIDES	Potato Wedges, Peas	Chips, Baked Beans, Garden Peas	
LIGHT BITES	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	
	Selection of Sandwiches	Selection of Sandwiches	
DESSERT	Raspberry Buns	Arctic Roll	

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