

Featherstone Academy Newsletter- Week Ending - 06/10/2023

A Message from The Headteacher

It has been great to see how much reading has been occurring in school this week! Lots of quizzes happening at home and in school, which is amazing. We are celebrating these achievements in assembly each week. We are really pleased with how we have further improved our after school clubs and competitive sports offer and we are always looking to make things even better, so if anyone would like to support this, please let us know!

Key Dates

Virtual Reality Day- Years 1-6- Monday 16th October

Harvest Assembly- Monday 23rd October

Ancient Egypt Day- Year 5- Wednesday 18th October

Autumn 1 term ends- Friday 27th October

Cinema Trip Years 2 (Dudley Cineworld) Years 5 and 6 (Telford Cineworld) - Wednesday 8th November

Cinema Trip Year 3 (Telford Cineworld) - Friday 10th November

Cinema Trip Year 4 (Telford Cineworld) - Wednesday 22nd November

Gurdwara Trip Year 6- Wednesday 15th November

School Photographs- All Year groups- Thursday 16th November

New School Logo

During the end of last term we informed you that we will be having a new school logo and this will be on our school uniform from September 2024. Crested school wear in Cannock have been informed and are offering 20% off all present uniform. Please can I remind you that the present uniform will still be allowed in school from September 2024.



Trip Payments

We continue to base our trips on the parent survey we received back in the Summer Term. We are trying to give as much notice as possible across the whole year. While we are covering proportion of the cost, in order for the trips to go ahead, we do need parents to all pay for their children. Where there are circumstances you find yourselves in that make that challenging, we completely understand and please contact the school office so we can work out a plan. All trip payments are non-refundable unless there are truly exceptional circumstances that warrant this.

Uniform and P.E. Kit

At Featherstone Academy, we attach a great deal of importance to the wearing of school uniform, as we believe it helps to foster a sense of belonging and helps children be ready to settle down to their school work. We are noticing daily the incorrect uniform and P.E kit being worn by some children, moving forward we will have spare kit and uniform in line with the expectations and children will be asked to change into this in school.

Our recommended School Uniform is listed below, but in any event, pupils are expected to wear clothing of a type appropriate to the school's activities. All garments should be clearly marked with your child's name.

School Sweatshirt or Cardigan with or without logo (Royal Blue)

White Shirt/School Polo Shirt with or without logo

Yellow Polo Shirt with or without logo - Nursery Children

Pale Blue Polo Shirt - Little Learner's

Grey Skirt/Trousers

Blue checked dress (during summer term)

Shoes - black (no trainers)

P.E. Kit

White T-shirt (with or without logo)

Royal blue shorts

Black pumps/trainers

Plain Joggers

Science Club- Plastic Bottles Wanted

Please can children in Science club bring in plastic bottles over the next two weeks, of any size or shape, in order for us to do an experiment.

Miss Tkaczuk



Cross Country

A massive well done to our Year 5 and 6 children that took part in the Cross Country Competition on Tuesday. We are so proud of you all and what you achieved.

Next Tuesday we will be cheering on our Year 3 and 4 boys and girls who will be competing in their Cross Country Competition.





Virtual Reality Day - Years 1 - 6

As it is recycling week from Monday 16th October, children across KS1 and KS2 have a very special treat lined up. Each year group will be having a virtual reality experience where they will get to see the impacts that recycling is having on the world and what it could look like if we don't save the environment.

This week will also the deadline for the recycling competition due on Wednesday 18th October.

Flu Immunisation Clinics

Please see letter attached from School Age Immunisation Service for pop up clinics in your local area.

School Age Immunisation Service Community Flu Vaccination Clinics

Dear Parent / Guardian

The School Age Immunisation Service has recently visited your school to offer school aged children the flu vaccination. If your child has not received their flu vaccination either in school or from their GP surgery you can now book your child into one of the School Age Immunisation Service's community flu vaccination clinic.

The clinics and dates up to 11th November are listed below -

Saturday 7th October	Cannock Fire Station	09:00 - 15:00
Saturday 7th October	Leek Moorlands Hospital	09:00 - 15:00
Wednesday 11th October	Meir Matters, Meir	09:00 - 15:00
Saturday 21st October	Burton Fire Station	09:00 - 15:00
Saturday 21st October	Sandyford Fire Station	09:00 - 15:00
Monday 30th October	Rugeley Fire Station	09:00 - 15:00
Monday 30th October	Trentside Clinic, Stone	09:00 - 15:00
Tuesday 31st October	Tamworth Rugby Club	09:00 - 15:00
Tuesday 31st October	Uttoxeter Library	09:00 - 15:00
Wednesday 1st November	Longton Health Centre	09:00 - 15:00
Wednesday 1st November	Rising Brook Surgery, Stafford	08:30 - 15:30
Thursday 2nd November	Smallthorne Health Centre	09:00 - 15:00
Thursday 2nd November	Wombourne Clinic	09:00 - 15:00
Friday 3rd November	Leek Moorlands Hospital	09:00 - 15:00
Friday 3rd November	Cannock Fire Station	09:00 - 15:00
Saturday 11th November	Lichfield Fire Station	09:00 - 15:00

Please call 0300 124 0366 to book an appointment or with any enquires regarding your child's flu vaccination

Kind Regards

School Age Immunisation Service

Dancing Queens

We would like to say a big well done to Georgia Cairns, Scarlett Matthews, Aubrey Till, Isla Jones, Poppy cairns, Willow Bennett and Ivy Abnett, for dancing your whole weekend away in your dance show Musical Magic with Lytton School Of Dance at the Mill Theatre.

Celebration Assembly

A big Featherstone well done to;

Little Learners- Evaluna Rutter

Nursery- India Dickinson

Reception- Ole Furnival

Class 1- Poppy Burns

Class 2- Lilli Element Stubbs

Class 3- Bella Herritage

Class 4- Layla-Rose Padfield

Class 5- Aarush Shukla

Class 6- Emily Cox

Mrs Streatham- Deputy Head- Anushka Sharma

Mr Gatrad- Headteacher- Ivy Abnett

Class Learning

Nursery: Reading the story 'My Mom and Dad Make Me Laugh.' Looking at our likes and dislikes. Looking at patterns and painting our own patterns with different tools.

Reception: 'Where I Live' Looking at where we live, who with and do we live in a house, flat or bungalow.

Class 1: We will be starting our new topic in Art which is printing. The children will explore different objects and resources that can be used to make different prints. In Maths we will be ordering numbers and number lines will be used.

Class 2: English. Text - Amazing Grace. We will be exploring the features of persuasions before building up to writing our own piece of persuasive writing, Maths - Adding up to three 1-digit numbers. Adding across 10, Science - To explore different microhabitats and animals that may live in them, Art - Studying the work of Gunta Stolz and using perfecting the weaving skill.

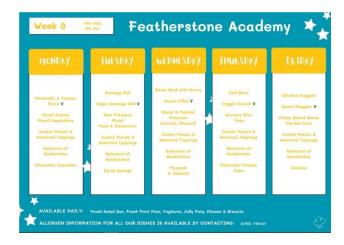
Class 3: Computing: Programming an animation using Scratch coding, Science: To look into how shadows are formed and conduct experiments with light and shadows, Writing: To increase our understanding of Year 3 SPaG knowledge as well as diving deeper in 'George's Marvellous Medicine' and looking at how to write a non chronological report.

Class 4: Maths- Addition and Subtraction- adding with no exchange and exchange of 3-digit numbers, English- The Lost Happy Endings- looking at the features of a setting description e.g., expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials and similes, Reading- The Girl Who Stole an Elephant, Geography- Italy/ History- Ancient Greece

Class 5: In Maths, Year 5 will be starting our fractions topic, beginning with finding equivalent fractions, In PE, children will be continuing to learn and adapt their catching, throwing and defending skills in order to play a game of Netball, In Geography, children will be looking more in depth at extreme weather - in particular flooding and droughts.

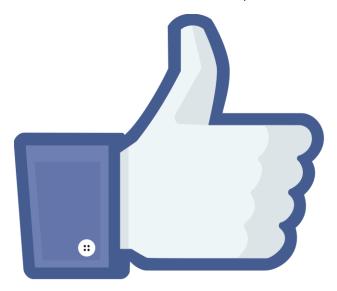
Class 6: We have another great week ahead in year 6. In Maths, we will explore long division and the order of operations. In English, we will begin look at narratives - how they are structured and the language used. In Science, year 6 will set up and carry out an investigation on bacteria and how it spreads - it will be very interesting to see the results next week. In History, we will continue to look at how the Mayans lived and look at their demise and in Geography children will begin their Road Trip USA topic by identifying different states of America and the landscapes that can be found there

Lunch Menu



Featherstone Academy Facebook

We work hard as a school to involve parents in their Childs education, we enjoy sharing pictures of the children learning, playing and celebrating on our Featherstone Academy Facebook page. When we do this we would really appreciate a **'Like'** or some interaction from parents.



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