

Featherstone Academy- Newsletter - Week Ending - 08/03/2024

A Message From The Headteacher

This term is absolutely flying by, with only a couple of weeks and still so much happening in school with so little time. We continue to receive a lot of phone calls, facebook messages and emails asking questions where the information has been shared on the newsletter. Please can I reiterate the importance of this as it is our only communication to parents; time needs to be taken to add to diaries and digest information thoroughly. Please can I encourage you to add the link to any whatsapp groups and encourage others to read through the information. Included in the newsletter is not only whole school information but also year group specific.

Please I encourage everyone to make sure they have booked in for our parent meetings the week after next; these are a vital part of a calendar.

Breakfast Club - Important Information

Please be advised that from Monday 11th March 2024, the Breakfast Club is relocating to the After-School Club room. The new entrance will be through the main school office from 8:00am. There is a bell by the front office to gain entrance.

We ask that parents **do not** use the staff car park for dropping children off.

Easter Disco

We are excited to be holding an 'Easter Disco' to celebrate the end of term on Thursday 21st March.

Years 1-3 4:00-4:45pm

Years 4-6 5:15-6:00pm

Tickets will be £3 per child and included in this will be refreshments. Can't wait to see you all in your party clothes.

If you would like your child to attend, please purchase your ticket on your MCAS account under the header "Products".



Key Dates

Monday 11th March- Year 5 Trip- Tudor World (School Uniform/Warm Coat)

Tuesday 12th - Wednesday 13th March- **Little Learners Parents Drop In 3pm-3:30pm**

Friday 15th March - Nursery Books & Biscuits- 2:45pm

Friday 15th March- Comic Relief- 'Wear Something Red'

18th-20th March- Scholastic Book Fair ***new date***

19th-20th March- Parents Evening - book through MY Child At School

Thursday 21st March- Easter Bonnet Parade (Early Years only-LL, Nursery and Reception)

Thursday 21st March- World Down Syndrome Day-Rock Your Socks- **Whole School**

Thursday 21st March- Easter Disco **Years 1-3-4pm-4:45pm- Years 4-6- 5:15pm-6pm**

Friday 22nd March - Inset Day Children NOT in school

Easter Holidays - Monday 25th March to Friday 5th April

Monday 8th April - Back to School

Friday 19th April Year 1 - Books & Biscuits - 2.45pm

Friday 26th April Year 2 - Books & Biscuits-2.45pm

Friday 3rd May -Year 3 - Books & Biscuits- 2.45pm

Friday 10th May - Year 4 - Books & Biscuits - 2.45pm

Friday 17th May - Year 5 - Books & Biscuits - 2.45pm

Wednesday 5th June Year 6 - Books & Biscuits - 2.45pm

Wednesday 10th July - EYFS Sports Day - 9:30am - 11:00am

Thursday 11th July - Years 1 - 3 Sports Day - 9:30am - 11:00am

Friday 12th July - Years 4 - 6 Sports Day - 9:30am - 11:00am

Summer Term After School Clubs

Monday- Fun & Games Years 1 & 2 - Miss Hill- (20 spaces) indoors and outdoors.

Tuesday - Summer Sports (rounders, cricket- Years 5 & 6 - Soccer 2000 - (30 spaces)

Wednesday - Music/Choir- Years 3,4,5 & 6 - Mrs Nicholls- (20 spaces)

Wednesday - Nurture - Selected Group - Mrs Harvey

Thursday - Arts & Crafts- Years 3,4 & 5- Miss Davis - (20 spaces)

Friday - Football- Years 1 & 2 - Soccer 2000- (30 spaces)

Friday- Multi Sports- Years 3 & 4 -- Soccer 2000- (30 spaces)

After school club for Reception children to be confirmed.

Please see Summer Terms after school activities. The clubs will run from **Monday 8th April - Friday 12th July until 4:15pm**, costing £8 each. Each club has limited spaces so please reserve a place for your child by emailing information@fea.greenheartlearning.org to avoid disappointment.



Short Story Competition

We are running a Short Story Competition for Years 1-6. Closing date is Thursday 21st March. Please see details on the poster below.



Authorised Pupil Collection Forms

Thank you to everyone who has returned their completed forms into school this week. Can I remind anyone that has not returned their forms if they can do so by Monday 11th March.

Construction Club - Cardboard Boxes

Can we ask all children that attend construction Club to bring is a cardboard box for Monday 11th March. We need cereal boxes, shoe boxes etc... for children to build and create a robot from junk modelling please.

Red Nose Day - Comic Relief- Friday 15th March

On Friday 15th March we will be raising money for Comic Relief Day. On this day we invite children to dress in clothes that are red. Throughout the day the children will participate in a number of fun activities. We will be holding a competition for the silliest pose. At home children will create the silliest pose and will need to send the entries in before 15th March to **information@fea.greenheartlearning.org**

The winner will be chosen and announced the following week for who has the silliest pose.

We would really appreciate a donation for comic relief no mater how big or small.

RED NOSE DAY

Year 6 Residential - Wild West Themed Party

Year 6 Residential will soon be upon us, we would like to invite children to join us for a Wild West themed party on our last night before we return home. Could we ask that children join in by taking along something that they can dress up in e.g. costume, cowboy hat, neckerchief etc....



Parking Around the School

Concerns have been raised by residents and parents about parking outside the school and surrounding streets. Can we remind everyone to be considerate of where you park around the School.

Please do not park on zig zag and double yellow lines in specific areas outside the school. There should be no stopping or parking in any of these areas. Please show the children good examples by obeying all the rules. We encourage families to walk to school when possible.

Parking across residents driveways is also not acceptable. Please remember that the school is located in a residential area. It is an offence to willfully obstruct the highway which can be enforced by police, but this will be used as a last resort as educating persons on safety and parking in the area is what we want to achieve.

We appreciate that it can be very difficult to park near the school, but parking in this manner is putting your children at risk. Please allow yourself extra time to park away from the school and walk round with your child.

Please do not place our children at risk. If we are able to identify who is driving the cars we will pass information on accordingly.

Attendance - W/C 04/03/24

Whole School 94.5%

Year 1 - 100%

Year 4 - 97.6%

Year 6 - 95.8%

Year 2 - 94.4%

Year 3 - 90.70%

Reception - 88.9%

Year 5 - 88.5%

Class Learning- W/C-11/03/2024

Nursery: Next week our book is 'All about Minibeasts' We will be going on a bug hunt and learning all about different bugs. We will also be having real caterpillars in class that we will observe and watch how they change.

Reception: This week we will look at the animals that live in the jungle. We will learn about how they survive and what sort of things they like to eat as well as exploring the different habitats that can be found in the jungle.

Class 1: In English we will be writing about a non-chronological report about a penguin. The children will be finding out facts about a penguin and identifying the features of a non-chronological report. In Maths the children will be look at augmentation structures and will be identifying how many they started with and how many have been added to find the total. In the afternoons we will be creating a windmill and we will be looking at the structures of a windmill.

Class 2: Next week in Maths we will be exploring capacity and volume and also be measuring temperature. In English, we will be writing instructions on how to make a sandwich inspired by our class

book 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'. In PE, we will be continuing gymnastics and be creating sequences of poses and balances

Class 3: Spanish- children will be having conversations in Spanish and working on writing these sentences in a script.

Writing- writing a diary entry in first person as a character from the sheep pig. Maths - comparing/ordering fractions as well as understanding word problems.

Class 4: Maths- Decimals- rounding to the nearest whole number. Reading- The Firework-Maker's Daughter, Writing- The Firework-Maker's Daughter- planning, writing and editing a narrative- writing a missing chapter or a backstory of the book. Spanish- Spanish Celebrations

Class 5: In English, children will be planning and writing a monologue, from the point of view of one of the main characters of our book 'Skellig'. Our themed week will be History. We will start our week with our Tudor World trip, before exploring life in Tudor times, along with key monarchs. Children will look at how the Tudors came into power, as well as key historic events of the period. In Science, children will be investigating which materials are soluble and insoluble, expanding on their knowledge of properties of materials.

Class 6: We have a lot of exciting learning to come next week in year six. In English, we will be reaching the conclusion of our text, Varjak Paw. We will be answering questions about the key events as well as using the text to support us in writing our narrative, where the character looks back at what his life was like before and the adventures he used to have. In Maths, children will begin to explore ratio. We will establish what ratio is and how we can use it to calculate different problems. In Science, we will explore how water and nutrients are transported around the body and why they are so important to us. In Spanish, year six will be immersed in speaking, listening as well as writing key words and phrases. Children will learn the names of subjects at school in Spanish and begin to describe them. We will also continue to develop our knowledge of number in the language and link this to money.

Celebration Assembly

Well done to this weeks Winners-

Little Learners- **Geovana Onyia**

Nursery- **Gurnoor Singh**

Reception- **Connie Greenaway**

Year 1- **Alijah Pountney**

Year 2- **Lewie Humpage**

Year 3- **Lincoln Wesley**

Year 4- **Ivy Abnett**

Year 5- **Ella-Rose Richards**

Year 6- **Brooke Batey**

Mrs Steatham-Deputy Headteacher- **Isla Jones**

Mr Gatrad- Headteacher- **Poppy Cairns**



Lunch Menu

Week 1 <small>10th Feb 11th March</small> Featherstone Academy				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Cheese & Tomato Pizza V (pepperoni available on the side) Potato Puffs, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings Selection of Sandwiches Chocolate Puffin Custard	Sausage or Guorn Sausage V with Mashed Potato & Yorkshire Pudding, Peas, Baked Beans, Gravy Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings Selection of Sandwiches Shortcake Custard	Roast Chicken or Guorn Fillet V Roast & Mashed Potatoes Carrots, Broccoli & Gravy Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings Selection of Sandwiches Flapjack Custard	Cherry Pasta Bake V with Garlic Bread Carrots, Baked Beans Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings Selection of Sandwiches Jam Sponge Plain Sponge Custard	Battered Fish Guorn Dippers V Chips, Baked Beans Garden Peas Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings Selection of Sandwiches Ice Cream Tub
★ AVAILABLE DAILY: Fresh Salad Bar, Fresh Fruit Pots, Yoghurts, Jelly Pots, Cheese & Biscuits				
★ ALLERGEN INFORMATION FOR ALL OUR DISHES IS AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING: 01902 704167				

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