



Featherstone Academy Newsletter-Week
Ending- 15/03/2024

A Message From The Headteacher

The last week of Spring Term is upon us. We have lots ongoing even in the last week so please sign up for our Easter Disco and also make sure you are signed up to your parent meeting with your child's teacher. Spaces are filling up in our after school clubs for Summer Term too, so please contact us to sign up for these. We had a School Improvement Visit this week where our school was described as "immaculate" and as a "hive of learning", these along with the rest of the incredibly positive feedback from the visit is testament to the efforts that my team put in every day for your children. Please can I ask any parents who are yet to complete the new collections form to please do so as, after Easter, teachers are under strict instructions for only these lists to be used. As we move into the Summer Term very soon, more information will follow about the exciting happenings during this term including: our on site swimming pool, bikeability, Sports Day, Performances and much more.

Key Dates

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

*Monday 15th April - RWI Parent Workshop - **Year 1** -3:30pm*

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

Attendance

Spring Term After School Clubs

A reminder that all activity after school clubs and tutoring finish this week, there will be no clubs next week.

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 with refreshments included. 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".



Easter Bonnet Parade - it's nearly here!

A reminder that we are inviting Little Learners, Nursery and Reception to create an Easter bonnet at home and bring into school for a parade on **Thursday 21st March at 9.30am**.

Parents and carers of children in Little Learners, Nursery and Reception are welcome to attend. Due to space in the hall, we are only able to open the invitation to **two adults per pupil**.

Unfortunately, we will **not** be able to allow the use of mobile phones to take photos due to many filming attempts at a previous celebration. Children's class teachers will ensure photos of children wearing their Easter bonnets are taken and sent home.

We can't wait to see what amazing creations come into school!

Summer Term After School Clubs - Updated

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

Tuesday - Summer Sports (rounders, cricket- Years 4, 5 & 6 - Soccer 2000 - (30 spaces) ***Year 4 added***

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)

Thursday - Yoga Class- Reception & Year 1 - Reception Class Teacher (20 spaces) *new club added*

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

Friday- Multi Sports- Years 3 ,4 & 5 -- Soccer 2000- (30 spaces)- ***Year 5 added***

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.



Year 6 Leavers Prom Parents Meeting

There will be a Year 6 Parents meeting arranged by parents to discuss the Year 6 Prom.

Location- Committee Room - Featherstone Community Centre

Date- Tuesday 26th March

Time: 7pm

All Year 6 parents are invited.

Year 1 RWI Parents Workshop- 15th April

On the Monday 15th April Miss Smith and Mrs Steatham will be hosting a RWI parents workshop and this will start at 3:30pm. This session is especially for Year 1 parents on the Set 2 and 3 sounds that children learn and nonsense words. Within the lesson, word reading will be shared and strategies you can use to help. You will be shown what a speed sound lesson is and the key phrases that are used. This meeting we will also be sharing about the phonics screening test which the children will be sitting in summer term.

Class Learning

Nursery: Looking at Easter-making cards, Easter bonnet parade. Carrying on with our mini beasts topic -looking at caterpillars.

Reception: The Snail and the Whale- This week we will look at animals that live in water. We will learn about how they survive and explore the way that they move around in the water. We will take a look at some animals that live both on land and in the water too!

Class 1: Next week the children will be looking at poetry and the children towards the end of the week will be creating their own poetry based about fruit. In Maths the children will be learning to count in 2s, 5s and 10s. The children will also have reasoning questions where they will need to use these number facts to answer the questions. In the afternoon, the children will be continuing to design their windmill and will be producing their final design.

Class 2: In English we will be exploring poems with repeating lines and writing our own. In Maths, we will be focussing on addition and subtraction. In PE, we will continue working on balances and movements in gymnastics.

Class 3: Writing: Children will be looking into poetry with a focus on questions and answer poems. They will learn about how to read poetry with the correct tone of voice and rhythm and then they will write their own question and answer poems, which they will then be able to perform. Reading: Sticking with poetry, children will dive into a number of different types of poems, looking at the different features and pulling them apart to retrieve information and explain. PE: After weeks of gymnastic learning, children will be performing their routines and become PE teachers. They will have a focus on keeping calm through some yoga, using balance/strength and testing flexibility.

Class 4: Maths- rounding to the nearest whole number with decimals, English- free verse poetry, Science- reversible changes.

Class 5: To conclude our final week of the term, Year 5 will be immersing themselves in free verse poetry, in both reading and writing. They will gain an understanding of what a free verse poem is, analysing features and vocabulary, and then moving on to writing their own. Children in Year 5 will continue with their creative writing workshop next week, with author Harriet Goodwin.

Class 6: In our final week of the spring term year six will be reviewing the Varjak Paw they have read, making comparisons with other books they have read. Children will also be writing up their flashback story, attempting to make it even better. In Maths, we will continue to explore ratio, answering questions that apply our knowledge from the previous week. In Science, children will investigate the importance of exercise and how it affects parts of the body.

Reading - Afternoon Tea Party!

Earlier this year, we shared that all children were in with the chance of being invited to this term's Reading Afternoon Tea Party!

Invitations are not only for word millionaires, but also for pupils we can see are trying hard with their reading skills, showing an improved enthusiasm towards reading, or completing regular accelerated reader quizzes.

I am pleased to share the names of this term's attendees to Mrs Steatham's Reading Afternoon Tea Party!

Reception: Ella-Rose & Reuben

Year 1: Noah & Poppy

Year 2: Alex & Lewie

Year 3: Flora & Bella

Year 4: Brae, Willow & Roman

Year 5: Ruby & Lily-Mai

Year 6: Jax, Sophia, Jay-Jai & Madie

Congratulations everyone! Afternoon Tea will take place during the school day. We hope you are looking forward to your well-deserved treat!



Celebration Assembly

Well done to this weeks Winners-

Little Learners- Ellie Aimes

Nursery- Joshua Bradburn

Reception- Willow Rutter

Year 1- Eleanor Clarke

Year 2- Laila - Mae Moule

Year 3- Victor Lungu

Year4- Oscar Allen

Year 5- Blake Hadley

Year 6- Khian Thomas-Baugh

Mrs Steatham-Deputy Headteacher- George Craddock

Mr Gatrad- Headteacher- Brooke Batey, Poppy-Mar Connolly

Lunch Menu

Week 2		Featherstone Academy		
26th Feb 16th March				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Cheese & Tomato Pizza V (pineapple on the side)	Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta	Roast Beef & Yorkshire Pudding or Guern Fillet V	Pork Sausage Roll Veggie Roll V	Chicken Nuggets
Potato Naisette, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans	Plain Pasta & Cheese V	Roast & Mashed Potatoes	Fondant Potatoes Baked Beans Mixed Veg	Guern Nuggets V
Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Peas, Baked Beans	Carrots, Broccoli, Gravy	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Chips, Baked Beans Peas & Sweetcorn
Selection of Sandwiches	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Selection of Sandwiches	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings
Plate Puffin Custard	Selection of Sandwiches	Selection of Sandwiches	Jam Tart Custard	Selection of Sandwiches
	Flapjack Custard	Chocolate Rice Krispie Cake Custard		Cookie Custard
AVAILABLE DAILY: Fresh Salad Bar, Fresh Fruit Pots, Yoghurts, Jelly Pots, Cheese & Biscuits				
ALLERGEN INFORMATION FOR ALL OUR DISHES IS AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING: 01902 734167				

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