



Featherstone Academy Newsletter -
26/04/2024

A Message From The Headteacher

The weather this week has not felt like we are already a few weeks into the Summer Term! You will see from the field that we are ensuring it is ready for safe and enjoyable play, we just have not been able to use it as much as we want! Our new EYFS outdoor area is coming along nicely too, we can't wait for everyone to see it.

Key Dates

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

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

Thursday 16th May- **Year 4** -Anglo Saxon Day

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

Monday 20th - Friday 24th May- **Year 6 Residential**

Week Commencing 13th May- **Year 6 SATS**

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

Inset Days September 2024- July 2025

Please see provisional inset days for next academic year, these dates could change at some point but we will do at utmost to keep them the same.

Monday 2nd September 2024

Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Monday 6th January 2025

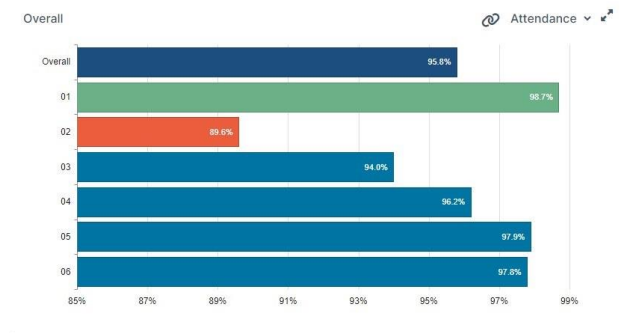
Monday 28th April 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

Form 24/25 term dates please click on the link ;

[Term Dates 2024 2025.pdf \(featherstoneacademy.co.uk\)](https://featherstoneacademy.co.uk/term-dates-2024-2025.pdf)

Attendance- w/c 29/04/2024



Work to Early Years Outside Area

We would like to thank all Early Years parents and children for co-operating with us at drop off and pick up times whilst the Early Years outside area is being renovated. Work is well under way and as you can see by the pictures a lot of work has already been done in the last few days. This garden will look amazing when its completed and will enhance all children's learning.





Staffordshire Early Years & Education

Staffordshire Early Years & Education are currently running a parents survey which is aimed at parents of early years children and those expecting a baby.

As part of the sufficiency duty we are required to engage with parents to find out their experiences of childcare and what they need in future. This is particularly important at this time with the new entitlements coming in and we know that providers are struggling mainly due to funding rates and difficulties with staffing needs.

Please click on the link below and complete a short survey so that we can get as wide a range of views as possible. The survey closes on the 12th May 2024.

<https://letstalk.staffordshire.gov.uk/embeds/projects/24643/survey-tools/34940>

<https://shorturl.at/LUW18>



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Bikes & Scooters

As Summer approaches, there are more and more children wishing to leave these in school. Please only use our storage facilities if absolutely necessary. It remains that scooters and bikes will not be allowed on school premises if they are ridden on the playground. This is for the safety of all our children and parents.

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

We are still waiting for confirmation on Year 6 leavers hoodies. The link to purchase the hoodies will be in next weeks Newsletter.

Class Learning- w/c - 29/04/2024

Nursery- We are learning about nocturnal animals and using the book Peace At Last and Owl Babies as a hook for learning.

Reception- Looking at how we grow vegetables and have a go at planting beans to watch them grow. We will need to understand how plants grow and what we need to do to look after our beans to ensure they grow.

Year 1- In English we will be identifying the features of a diary entry and the children will be writing a diary entry about our class story. In science we will be learning about the classification of animals and the different groups. The children will start to identify similarities and differences between the groups. In History we will be exploring different famous explorers. The children will learn about Emilia Earhart and Neil Armstrong. We will be using sources to help us find out facts about their adventures.

Year 2- Next week in Year 2 we will be planning and writing a non-chronological report about an animal in the savannah. In Maths, we will continue working on addition and subtraction. In Art, we will be taking inspiration from artist Andy Goldsworthy and creating our own land art and sculptures.

Year 3- Writing: Children will be writing their balanced arguments based on 'Stig of the Dump'. They will then be having a class debate on the issue raised and come to a final decision on the best outcome. Science: Children will continue looking at animals including humans and have a focus on the human skeleton and muscles. Maths: Children will be focusing on their mental addition and subtraction, spotting patterns, number bonds and solving mathematical word problems and puzzles.

Year 4-Maths- Shape- polygons and symmetry. English- The Wild Robot- planning, writing and editing a narrative with an issue/ dilemma. PE- Athletics- different running techniques. Computing- We are artists- combining shapes and art on digital software.

Year 5- Year 5 will be learning all about their local History of coal mining around Featherstone. Children will learn about the industrial revolution and how mining has impacted the village over time. In Maths, children will be embedding their knowledge of written methods of multiplication and looking at the place value of numbers up to 10,000,000.

In English, children will be finishing the book, Fire, Bed and Bone and summarising the text, as well as making inferences.

Year 6- In year 6 next week, children will continue to read a range of different fiction and non-fiction texts. We will explore how to answer questions, using evidence to support our answers. In Maths, children will practise some key arithmetic skills such as adding and subtracting decimals and multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000. Year 6 will also explore how to calculate the area and perimeter of shapes and solve different problems involving money. In writing, year six will recap key areas of grammar including: tense, inverted commas and suffixes and prefixes. We will explore our understanding of grammatical terms and answer questions related to them.

Celebration Assembly

A big Featherstone well done to;

Little Learners- Stanley Oates

Nursery- Luna Garner

Reception- Ceejay Tuckley

Year 1- James Walker

Year 2- Cameron Rudge

Year 3- Elizabeth Butler

Year 4- Roman Dickinson

Year 5- Isobella Lloyd

Year 6- Seb Vitta

Mrs Steatham- Deputy Headteacher- Layla Tarbuck

Mr Gatrad-Headteacher- Ashlee Element- Stubbs

Lunch Menu - w/c 29/04/2024

Week 1		Featherstone Academy		
4th April 20th April 26th May				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Cheese & Tomato Pizza V (pepperoni available on the side)	Beef Burger in a Bun Veg Burger in a Bun V	Roast Chicken Quorn Fillet V	Mac N Cheese V with Garlic Bread	Battered Fish
Potato Puffs, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans	New Potatoes, Spagetti Hoops, Carrots	Roast & Mashed Potatoes Carrots, Broccoli & Gravy	Plain Pasta & Cheese V	Gaona Dippers V
Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Broccoli Mix, Baked Beans	Chips, Baked Beans Garden Peas
Selection of Sandwiches	Selection of Sandwiches	Selection of Sandwiches	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings	Jacket Potato & Assorted Toppings
Plated Ham or Cheese Salad with Bread Roll	Plated Ham or Cheese Salad with Bread Roll	Plated Ham or Cheese Salad with Bread Roll	Selection of Sandwiches	Selection of Sandwiches
Chocolate Muffin	Flapjack	Chocolate Mousse	Plated Ham or Cheese Salad with Bread Roll	Plated Ham or Cheese Salad with Bread Roll
			Shortcake	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 704187

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