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# Weekly Newsletter - 13th March 2020



**Staffing news:** Congratulation to Mr Douglas who is now substantive Deputy Headteacher, his title of interim was temporary. After several years with us Mrs Kaur will be leaving at the end of this term to progress in her career with another academy. We wish her well. This year we have had several staff on maternity leave. Mrs Wilson and Miss Beach both had baby boys and Mrs K Bibi had a baby girl. Such lovely news and congratulations to them all. When the current climate settles down we look forward to seeing them and meeting the new members to the Featherstone family.

**This week:** Year 4 had a fantastic time at Conover Hall and enjoyed two days working on teamwork skills and also just enjoying time in the outdoors. All the children were exceptionally well behaved. One of the benefits of having the residential earlier in the year is that teachers get to know the children even better and on a different level rather than leaving this to later on in the year. Overall a really good event. Please see photos on class twitter and also in this newsletter. @FeatherstoneYR4

## Coronavirus

You are aware of the outbreak of novel Coronavirus and the subsequent confirmed cases in the UK. There's currently no cause for concern at the school, but we'll keep you informed about any developments and ensure that we're keeping the school clean to prevent the spread of any virus. However a number of parents have emailed to ask questions and I have compiled some answer below.

### **Are children being taught about Coronavirus in school?**

All children from EYFS to Year 6 have had lessons and also assemblies on the effects and spread of the virus. This was pitched at an appropriate age level and cartoon clips were also used for the younger children so that they have a better understanding.

### **Are children following the general principles to prevent spreading (Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Hygiene)?**

Teachers are ensuring that children wash their hands and reminding them how to do this. Children are also reminded about covering when coughing or sneeze with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin.

### **Are visitors and staff entering the building signposted to wash hands and use sanitiser?**

All visitors and staff entering and leaving the building are asked to either wash their hands or use the recommended sanitiser provided by the school.

### **Are site staff maintaining high standards of hygiene?**

Our staff are continuously wiping all areas of the school which include doors, door handles, banister stair rails etc. Our cleaning staff make an early start from 3pm so that maximum cleaning hours are used.

### **How is cutlery and crockery handled in the hall?**

In the hall children are not allowed to handle the cutlery, this is now passed to them one at a time by a member of staff.

### **If the school is to close, will home work be sent home?**

Our managers are currently in the process of creating a range of material which can be used by you and your children so that they can continue with their learning at home. This will include:

- Online material (tests etc)
- Paper based workbooks prepared by class teachers for children to work at home
- Online reading and learning material
- Maths tests practice (TT Rockstar's)
- English reading—Bug club
- Also you have the Home Learning Passports which can also be completed

I hope that the information I have provided helps and if you or your child have any further questions please do not hesitate to ask. Further information for schools is also provided on the [Gov.uk - guidance for educational settings](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/for-educational-settings).

Best wishes  
Mr. E. Gaibee  
Headteacher

Year 4 Condover Hall



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## Overall House Points

House		Weekly	Total for this term
Phoenix		323	1020
Pegasus		542	1273
Unicorn		302	680
Griffin		300	1068

Term	Winning House
Autumn 1	Griffin
Autumn 2	Griffin
Spring 1	Pegasus

	Forthcoming Events – Key Dates	Nadchodzące wydarzenia - daty kluczowe	أحداث قادمة - التواريخ الرئيسية	Dhacdooyinka soo dhoweya - Taariikha- ha Muhiimka	आगामी घटनाओं - प्रमुख तिथियाँ
Date	English	Polskie	عربي	Somali	Hindi
09.03.20	Year 4 residential to Condover Hall	4 rok mieszkalny w Condover Hall	رحلة الصف الرابع الى كوندوفر هول	Hoolka 4 sano u daggan Condover Hall	कॉन्डोवर हॉल में वर्ष 4 आवासीय
20.03.20	Mother's Day assembly 9:00 EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 only.	Dzień Matki montaż 9:00 eyfs i ks1	اجتماع عيد الأم 9:00 eyfs و ks1	Shirka maalinta hooyada ee 9:00 ers iyo ks1	मदर्स डे विधानसभा 9:00 आईएफएस और केएस 1
03.04.20	Teacher Day—School Closed	Dzień nauczyciela - szkoła zamknięta	يوم المعلم - المدرسة مغلقة	Maalin Macalin — Iskuul wuu xiran yahay	शिक्षक दिवस- स्कूल बंद

Not only do we have a whole-school Twitter account, which is

[@FeatherstoneSch](https://twitter.com/FeatherstoneSch)

but we also have a Twitter account for each of the year groups across the school. Please do follow our Twitter accounts so that you can see what is going on in the year groups! We will start tweeting a lot more from Monday!

EYFS	@FeatherstoneEYFS
Year 1	@FeatherstoneYR1
Year 2	@FeatherstoneYR2
Year 3	@FeatherstoneYR3
Year 4	@FeatherstoneYR4
Year 5	@FeatherstoneYR5
Year 6	@FeatherstoneYR6