

# Featherstone Primary School



## Weekly Newsletter

18<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

A huge thank you to all the parents in following our request in wearing face masks on school site. The one-way system that we have operated in school is working well and we seem to get parents in and out of school quickly.

Last week, we sent an email regarding cars that were driving up Glenville Drive. We would like to thank Erdington Police Station in sending over some of their officers to spot these cars who were accessing the road during the restricted time zone. Remember, the safety of the children is paramount.

**Parents evening telephone consultation week.** This year, we will still be carrying out parents evening but this will be through individual phone calls to parents. Parents can still book their allocated time through the booking system. A letter is on its way to you to book an allocated time. This is the only week that we are able to offer telephone calls. The telephone call will only be one call to either parent.

**Remote learning and internet access:** We continue to look at how we can further the support for our children when they have to work from home during isolation or lockdown. We appreciate that some of our families have access to the internet and others do not. As part of our long-term home remote learning plan, in the first instance, we would like to carry out an audit on who has internet access at home. More details regarding this will follow.



**EYFS:** We are very proud of our Reception children, who have been completing some brilliant home/remote learning. Here is one of our Reception children, Amaya, who has been working very hard. Her Mom emailed us after we sent the remote learning home and said:

*"Thank you for your email. This week has flown by! Thank you to all of EYFS for putting together the home learning pack and making it as easy as possible for us. We appreciate all your hard work, effort, and the time you have put in over the pandemic."*

We are very excited to welcome our EYFS children back this week!

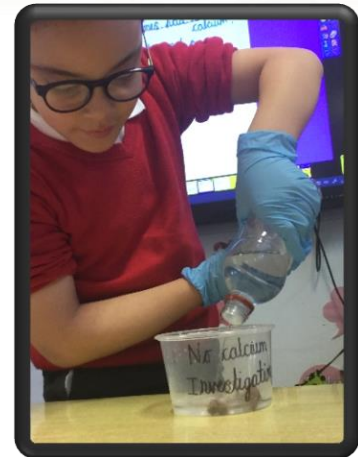
### **Family Support**

Our Family Support Worker, Fern, has been really enjoying getting to know you and your wonderful children over this half term. She is really pleased that some of you have been able to get in contact and we've been able to start putting support in place for our families. If you are experiencing any difficulties, and are uncertain about whether Fern may be able to support your family, please do not hesitate to get in

touch. Fern's background is as a qualified Children and Families Social Worker so she has experience of dealing with a wide range of family challenges and welcomes all queries.

Please email [f.sleeman@feathstn.bham.sch.uk](mailto:f.sleeman@feathstn.bham.sch.uk) or call the office on 0121 675 9740 and ask for Fern.





## This week's learning....



### Shoebbox Appeal:

As part of our 'Featherstone Promise,' we support the work of the charity 'Samaritan's Purse' and in particular the Shoebbox Appeal. The Shoebbox appeal is an annual appeal that provides a shoebox full of small gifts to children around the world who would otherwise not receive a present at Christmas. This year, the charity are giving the option of a 'Shoebbox online.' This means we can give a donation from the school and the charity will use the money to compile shoeboxes for children in need.

On Friday 23rd October 2020, your child can come to school in non-school uniform in exchange for a donation of £1.00 towards the cost of a shoebox. The donation will be made via Parent Pay. If you would like to support this charity, please make your donation by Thursday 22nd October, ready for the non-school uniform day on Friday 23rd October. Thank you.

House		Weekly	Total for this term
Phoenix		333	1,243
Pegasus		271	1,351
Unicorn		294	1,351
Griffin		310	1,217

**Overall House Points**  
**The house points are very close!**

Please remember to follow you child's class twitter page to see more photos.

Have a lovely weekend.  
 Mr. E Gaibee  
 Headteacher

