Featherstone Primary

School

Weekly Home/School Newsletter



5th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

The school and all of the staff are very ready to welcome all children back this Monday, 8th March 2021! We know that this third national lockdown has proven very challenging for parents, children and staff alike and so we will be there ready at 08.45 with big smiles all round! It will be great to you see you all again so please do stop and have a chat with us. Even though the lockdown has taken a great deal of energy out of us, we promise we don't bite and are gentle!

Timings of the school day

The school day starts at 08.45 and the morning doors close at 08.55. Please ensure that your child arrives to school in between these times. For Reception, school finishes at 3.25pm. For Years 1-6, school finishes at 3.30pm. Parents please remember that the school on a Friday closes at 12:55pm. Where parents are continuously late in collecting their child/ren, we will monitor this and arrange a meeting with you to ask why? A possible solution is to decide for your child to attend High Achievers.

School Office

Please avoid going to speak to the office staff in person. The office staff can be reached on 0121 675 9740 or by email enquire@feathstn.bham.sch.uk This helps minimise adults in the building. Thank you for your co-operation.

Hands, Face, Space

Please remember that if you do have an appointment in school, that you sanitise your hands on entry. In the event that you have been asked to come into school, a risk assessment will be carried out.

Parents coming on to school site should wear a face mask for their and others' protection. Please remember to socially distance when on school grounds.

Staffing

A massive congratulations to Miss. Beach (2B) who has secured the role of SENDCo (Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator) in school. I know that Miss. Beach will work brilliantly overseeing the SEND department. This means that Miss. Beach will no longer be teaching in Year 2 so a warm welcome to Mrs. Mohammed, who will teach the children from 8th March.

As you may know, Miss. Lacey (2L) is expecting a child later on in the year, which is wonderful news. Miss Lacey will need to be reassigned so that she has no pupil contact during her pregnancy as pregnant women are in the moderate risk (clinically vulnerable) group.

As part of measures we have put in place she unable to teach 2L for the rest of this academic year. We welcome Mrs. Kaur who will teach the children from the 8th March.

Glenville Drive

In order to help manage access for everyone walking to and leaving from school especially during COVID. Please can parents who are <u>leaving the school site walk on the left side</u> of the road and parents <u>coming into school</u> please also <u>use the left side</u> of the road. This will greatly help families with push chairs and those with mobility scooters etc.

There is still time to offer your help with the cars on Glenville Drive. If you would like to do so, please email us at enquire@feathstn.bham.sch.uk



Eyes open campaign - raising awareness about County Lines

Eyes open is a campaign funded by West Midlands Police and Violence Reduction Unit looking at county lines awareness raising in particular areas such as Lozells and Sparkbrook.

The campaign aims to warn how drugs gangs are grooming children in Birmingham and urging everyone to be alert to the signs that young people are at risk. Information for children, their families, parents, carers and professionals is available at https://west-midlands.police.uk/news/eyes-open-new-campaign-launched-protect-children-drugs-gangs

Finally, its been a hard struggle for our staff on school site. Everyone has played an important part in many ways, especially the teachers who have managed the remote learning, including welfare calls, and on-site provision too. Thank you to all of my team.

Take care and see you at 08.45 on Monday! From Mr. E. Gaibee Headteacher

#ScreenFreeFeatherstone

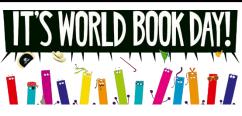
It was so great to see so many amazing activities for our final #ScreenFreeFeatherstone project yesterday, which was all about World Book Day! From the photos, it seemed as if families had loads of fun again moving away from the screens for an afternoon to make, bake, create, read and write! Here are just a few of the photos that were sent to school and tweeted.



If you don't follow us already, please follow @FeatherstoneSch #ScreenFreeFeatherstone will continue to happen each Thursday afternoon whilst the school is shut to most pupils!













Thanks to all the families who got involved with World Book Day 2021!