

Featherstone Primary School



Weekly School Newsletter

4th November 2022

Dear Parents,

Attendance and Punctuality

School have recently begun working with 'CSAWS,' (Central School Attendance and Welfare Service). CSAWS work on site for a few hours each week and help promote good attendance and punctuality for all our families. They will also work with, and monitor, parents who do not send their child/ren to school on time. If this is the case, a punctuality action plan will be in place.

It saddens me to say that, despite having clear policies for attendance, some parents do not work with school and, as a result, their children have very poor attendance/persistent absences. School passes these attendance details to the Birmingham Legal Team (ELIT), who may issue a Penalty Notice (fine). Recently fines are:

5 parents received a £60 penalty notice
2 parents received a £120 penalty notice
2 parents received a £609 penalty notice
1 parent received a £644 penalty notice

However, nearly 250 children visited the Attendance Shop last half term for excellent attendance! Well done to you!

Late Fines

In line with our Late Collection of Pupils Policy, please remember school finishes at 3:25pm and children must be collected by this time. Any parent collecting after 3.35pm with 3 lates in a term, will be issued a £15 fine.

1 parent has been fined and has paid.



Poppy Sale

Poppies will still be on sale in school for the children to buy next week. Cost of one poppy is 20p. Cost of other items (poppy reflectors/zip poppy etc.) range from 50p to £1.50.

School dinner prices

School Meal everyday - £87.5

School Meal on a Thursday only - £17.50





Children in Need

We will be supporting 'Children In Need' on Friday 18th November 2022. On this day, children can come into school in their own clothes and to wear something 'yellow' (non-school uniform). We ask that parents donate £1.00 to support this brilliant charity. This can be done through Parent Pay. Children can also participate within our annual Children In Need colouring competition! This year, the theme is 'Design your own spotacular doodle'! Children can choose to draw whatever they like but it must be spotty! These need to be handed in to your child's class teacher by Wednesday 16th November 2022. There will be one winner per class. Entry cost is 50p.

P.E. Kit

We need to review our current P.E Kit Policy as many children are starting to bring in random P.E. wear i.e. football tops and other commercial branded wear which really does not fit in with the current policy. We have tried to keep children in house colours but again many children are wearing random choice colours.

To keep this very simple, we will be going back to what used to work well. This standard kit (below) will need to be in place **by the end of this term**. Please can you kindly arrange for your child to have this kit.

Finally, if your child does not have their P.E. kit on their P.E. day, we will be calling you to bring this in. To avoid an unnecessary journey, please make sure your child has their kit in school. Each term, Miss. Hughes will email the whole school timetable so that you know the days that your child has P.E. lessons.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Top:	Plain White T-Shirt or a Plain white polo-top
Shorts	Navy blue/black shorts (Girls may wear blue or black leggings instead of shorts if required for religious reasons)
Outdoor	black joggers
Footwear	Black pumps (KS1) / Trainers (KS2)

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr E Gaibee
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Autumn Term 2022	
08.11.22	September 2023 intake - Open Day 09.30am / 1.30pm / 5.30pm
07.12.22	Christmas Dinner for Children (staff and children)
09.12.22	Christmas Jumper Day
12.12.22	Year 1 Carol concert – 2.30pm
14.12.22	EYFS Nativity: 09.30 RDG EYFS Nativity: 2:30pm RMA
16.12.22	Attendance Shop
16.12.22	End of term