

Featherstone Primary School

17th July 2026 - Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers

As we head into the summer holidays, we would like to reflect on the amazing events and activities that have taken place over the past few weeks.

International Festivals Days

Classes from EYFS to Year 6 spent an amazing two days learning about and celebrating a range of countries around the world. The children celebrated many cultures, nationalities, festivals and traditions through a variety of 'round robin' activities including cooking, dance, music, art and language. These days are very important to us because the Featherstone community has over 50 different nationalities. On day two, children came in a wonderful array of traditional dress or colours from their home country.



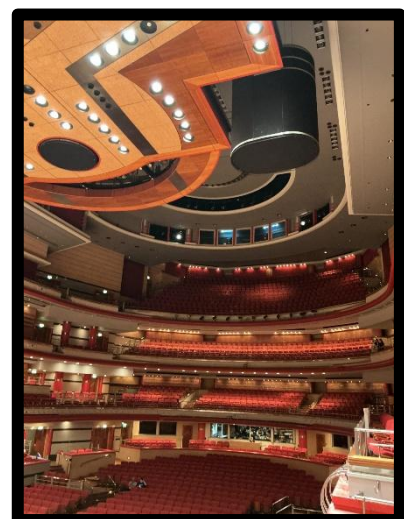
4 Drumming Concert

Year 4 have been fortunate enough to have djembe drumming sessions with Mr Singh for the Summer term. They have loved learning how to follow rhythm and patterns, and play along with songs such as Africa and Paradise. Both classes joined forces on Monday 6th July for a celebration of their talents in front of parents. The atmosphere was electric and both the children and parents thoroughly enjoyed it. We even surprised our parents with our chanting in Swahili! Well done Year 4! What a great end to our year!



Music Electives trip to Symphony Hall

On Monday, our music electives (who rehearse weekly with Miss Hopper) performed at Symphony Hall. They performed as part of a 'Mass Ensemble' with other schools from around Birmingham. The children represented our school brilliantly with outstanding behaviour. Well done and thank you for your commitment to music Year 6. We hope you continue to explore your musical abilities as you enter Year 7 and beyond.



EYFS and Year 6 Graduation

It has been lovely to see so many of our families come and join us as we congratulate Reception for completing their EYFS journey ahead of their transition into Year 1. This week has also seen another tearful graduation of our Year 6 pupils as they complete their Primary schooling and look forward to their next part of their educational journey into Secondary school. We wish them the best of luck.



Junior Sports Day at Alexander Stadium

Our Junior Sports Day at Alexander Stadium was a great success and a wonderful display of teamwork, determination and fun. Despite the heat, the pupils thoroughly enjoyed taking part in a range of activities and events, showing enthusiasm, resilience and sportsmanship throughout the day.

It was lovely to see so many parents and carers cheering the children on and supporting them from the sidelines. Your encouragement made the day even more special for the pupils, and we are very grateful for your continued support.

Thank you to all the staff who helped to make this event run smoothly and make an everlasting memory for the pupils. Well done everyone.



Headteacher Award Assemblies

This week saw many children being nominated by their parents for the Headteacher Award. There were a range of nominations including helping at a local food bank, swimming, karate and gymnastics. Well done to all those children. Thank you to all the parents who nominated and attended these assemblies. It was a great turn out and a wonderful way to acknowledge the extra-curricular activities the children take part in. If you would like to nominate your child for the next Headteacher Award, please keep an eye on the 'upcoming events' part of our newsletter.



Featherstone's Got Talent!

Pupils in Key Stage 2 took part in Featherstone's first talent show! There was an elective mix of acts including playing instruments, singing and dancing. The children demonstrated confidence and enthusiasm whilst playing in front of an audience. Well done to all those who took part. Thank you to the staff involved in putting this together and putting on a good show!



Whole School Picnic

On Friday 3rd July, we held our annual picnic on the field. This was a wonderful opportunity for the children to sit with their friends, enjoy their favourite snacks and listening to and dancing to some music together.



Attendance Awards from Reception to Year 6.

Well done to the following children for their outstanding attendance from when they joined EYFS in Sept 2019 to Year 6:

Hannah Stoddart
Orlando Patrick-Blake
Scarlett Bailey
Dotty Hodgson

School Meal Payments

Costs of school meals next half term are:

School meal everyday - £96.25

School meal on a Thursday only - £19.25

Reminder school meals must be paid for in advance, please make sure you have topped up your parent pay account before the children return to school in September.



TERM DATES

Autumn Term 2026

Thursday 3rd September to Friday 24th October 2026

Half-term holiday: Monday 26th October 2026 to Friday 30th October 2026

Monday 2nd November to Friday 18th December 2026

Spring Term 2027

Wednesday 6th January to Friday 12th February 2027

Half-term holiday: Monday 15th February 2027 to Friday 19th February 2027

Monday 22nd February to Wednesday 24th March 2027

Summer Term 2027

Monday 12th April to Friday 28th May 2027

Half-term holiday: Monday 31st May 2027 to Friday 4th June 2027

Monday 7th June to Wednesday 21st July 2027

Teacher Training days – closed to pupils

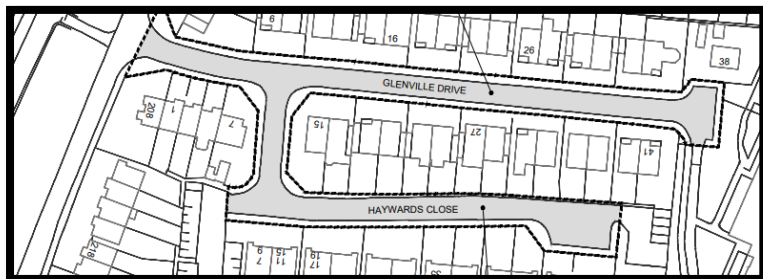
Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September 2026

Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th January 2027

Thursday 25th March 2027

Parking restrictions on Glenville Drive

Parents, a reminder of the parking restrictions on Glenville Drive.



And finally

We would like to wish all of our families a happy and safe summer break. We will see you on Thursday 3rd September at 8.45am.

From

E Gaibee

Headteacher

Upcoming Events	
17 th July	Schools Finishes 1:30pm
3 rd September	School open for children at 8:45am



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