

# Featherstone Primary School

## School Newsletter



10<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,  
Welcome back to the new half term!

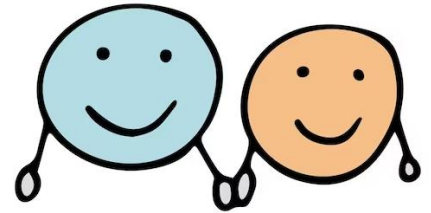


### Lest We Forget

Today, at 11am, children and staff observed the 1-minute Remembrance silence, as part of Remembrance Day. Class teachers spoke to their classes about why people wear poppies this time of year, and also why it is important to reflect in silence. Thank you to all parents who have supported the Poppy Appeal in school; we sold every single poppy! All money raised goes to the Poppy Appeal charity.

### Friendliness

The Value of the Month for November is 'Friendliness.' In school, children learn about the links that Friendliness has with other Values, for example, Courtesy and Respect. They also learn that Friendliness is important to live in a peaceful community and it is not possible to be everyone's friend...but, we can be friendly. Encourage Friendliness outside of school and discuss with your child when you see Friendliness out and about.



### Educational Visits

There have been a few educational visits this week. Year 4 went into Birmingham City Centre to watch a live orchestra play string and woodwind instruments. This was really good as they are learning how to play flutes and clarinets!

Some of the Year 5 children visited the National Memorial Arboretum (the rest of the year group are visiting over the coming weeks) on our school minibus. This links to their learning on World War 1 and why people wear the poppy. Year 5 also visited a Buddhist Pagoda as part of their R.E. learning. Across the different year groups, children visit a range of places of worship to gain a respectful understanding of other faiths and cultures.



There are more trips happening next week too!







Happy Diwali to all of our families and staff celebrating this festival. We hope you have some time to spend with your families and loved ones. Have a brilliant Diwali weekend. Next week on Wednesday, the children will be having a Diwali lunch in school.

### **Diary Dates**

Autumn Term	
15.11.23	Diwali Dinner for Children
15.11.23	September 2024 intake - Open Day 09.30am / 1.30pm
16.11.23	September 2024 intake - Open Day 09.30am / 1.30pm
17.11.23	Children In Need' – Non Uniform
13.12.23	Christmas Dinner for Children (staff and children)
14.12.23	Year 2/3/4 Christmas Carol Concert: 9.10am Year 2/3/4 Christmas Carol Concert: 2.40pm
15.12.23	Year 5 History showcase for Y5 parents 2.40pm
18.12.23	Nutcracker performance for Y1 parents
19.12.23	EYFS Nativity: 09.30 EYFS Nativity: 14:30
20.12.23	Christmas Jumper Day
22.12.23	Attendance Shop
22.12.23	End of term

Best wishes,

From Mr. E. Gaibee  
**Headteacher**