



Aspire, Believe, Succeed

Weekly Newsletter – 25th Jan 2018 - Value of the month: Self-Discipline



National Outstanding Award 2014

The Featherstone Enrichment Programme

At Featherstone Primary School, we do not just want children to succeed academically; we want to build and mould ‘the whole child’ because we recognise that children have many differing talents and abilities; we, therefore, foster knowledge, skills, abilities and understanding development in many non-statutory but highly important areas.

‘The Featherstone Enrichment Programme’ sits side-by-side our delivery of The National Curriculum and offers Featherstone children multiple experiences. This enrichment programme is a promise to: improve, enhance, develop and deepen our learners’ world understanding. Under a multitude of categories, children are guaranteed to undertake a wide range of experiences from Reception to Year Six – to enrich their world understanding.

The Featherstone Enrichment Programme is child-centred and so in many ways, child-led. The Featherstone Championship Award Scheme (part of our enrichment curriculum) inspires, enthuses and motivates children to work towards a self-led yet structured programme of events in seven stages: children undertake volunteering, skills and physical activities to work towards completing a personalised programme which culminates in the final award that they are striving for – Platinum.

Below is a summary of the requirements and hours needed to fulfil the seven stages of The Featherstone Championship Award Scheme. Children take part in the activities that they have chosen on a Friday afternoon from 1 to 2pm.

1 Wood 10 hours Skills and Values	2 Tin 10 hours Physical	3 Copper 10 hours Volunteering
4 Bronze 8 hours Volunteering 8 hours Physical 8 hours Skills and Values	5 Silver 10 hours Volunteering 10 hours Physical 12 hours Skills and Values	6 Gold 12 hrs Volunteering 12 hrs Physical 12 hrs Skills and Values
7 Platinum 15 hrs Volunteering 15 hrs Physical 15 hrs Skills and Values		

Enrichment Programme—Week Two

The Enrichment programme has started in school and the children are really enjoying it.

“It is better than Golden Time, because there is more fun activities and everyone has something to do” Skye Year 5.

“Having the awards is a good idea because you put your time and hard work into it and you get a reward” Tegan Year 5.

All of the children have been allocated an activity which was chosen as their first, second or third choice. The sessions have been really well planned by the staff and we have been busy purchasing exciting resources. In particular the outward bound ‘Survival’ team have some very interesting items to investigate! Well done to Mr Douglas who is overseeing the organisation of this programme and thank you to all the staff for as always going the extra mile!

Reading workshops

Across school, the Reading workshops have been well attended and we want to thank all of the parents who have taken the time to attend their child's workshop. It is great to see so many parents involved in their child's learning. We also really appreciate the positive feedback that you have left for the class teachers. It is great to hear your thoughts and ideas.

Parents Evening Booking System

I hope that you have all seen the letter which was sent out regarding the new online system for booking Parents' Evening meetings. The dates for the next meetings are 13th and 15th February. If you have any issues with the new system please let us know. We are here to help you. <https://www.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

Early Closure Consultation

Thank you to all parents who have completed the consultation response form or attended the parent meeting. You still have time to respond to the consultation. Please tell us your views and any ideas that you would like to put forward for consideration.

Reading Survey: Parents please remember to complete your reading survey for Miss Lacey.

Forthcoming Events – Key Dates

30th Jan	Reception Eye Tests All Day
30th Jan	Year 1 Reading Workshops for parents to come in to school to work with their child—09:00am
31st Jan	Year 3 Reading Workshops for parents to come in to school to work with their child—09:00am
1st Feb	Year 2 Reading Workshops for parents to come in to school to work with their child—09:00am
2nd Feb	Early Closure consultation closing date (5.00 p.m.)
5th to 9th Feb	EYFS parents in classrooms building junk models with children 2:00pm
8th Feb	Year 2 SATs meeting Time 4:00pm (Parents only no children please)
13th Feb	Year 2 Africa Performance for Parents– 2.40pm
13th Feb	Parents evening 4-6 (To be held in the hall) Please book using the new system.
14th Feb	Year 6 Shakespeare Showcase 2.15pm – 3.15pm (Year 6 classrooms)
15th Feb	Parents evening 4-6 (To be held in the hall)
16th Feb	End of half term
26th Feb	Children back to school
26th Feb to 2nd March	Book fair in school
1st March	World Book Day!

Dinner Money

Tues 9th Jan - Fri 16th Feb 2018

Full Term : £65.25






Fri Only: £13.50

We are proud of our attendance so far this year!

Class	For this year so far...
5W	97.65%
3V	97.44%
1B	97.29%

Well done 5W – you are STILL the best attenders in the school so far this year!!

Overall House Points

House		Weekly	Total for this Year
Phoenix		459	1167
Unicorn		605	1351 
Pegasus		528	1282
Griffin		384	1332

Have a brilliant weekend from Mr Gaibee and Staff