

Dear Parents/Carers,

I'd like to start this Home School Newsletter with another **Thank You.** The staff and children who have been in school this week have been brilliant, as have the staff who have been working at home, behind the scenes, to ensure that the school continues to operate smoothly in these difficult times.

On Wednesday of this week, you should have received a letter from me that explains what we are going to put into place from the 20th April to help the children with their learning whilst the school remains closed. In summary, four English, four Maths and four Non-core sessions/activities will be sent to you on a Monday morning (these will be links to our school website). Any answers that are needed will then be sent on the next Friday. You won't need any specialist equipment for these lessons and you don't necessarily even have to print them off; if you would like to use them, the children and you just need to see them on a screen. We hope this will help the children in their future learning.

I have also recently written to you regarding keeping children safe whilst they are at home, especially whilst online. Please do keep an eye on what your children are doing whilst they are on the internet. More importantly please remember to put parental locks.

This week, Mr. Douglas has sent out the second set of Free School Meal (FSM) vouchers. These weekly vouchers are to financially help those families who are eligible for FSM from benefits. Each child us entitled to £15 per week. If you have any queries or problems, please get in touch with Mr. Douglas at: n.douglas@feathstn.bham.sch.uk Please note that the next set of FSM vouchers will be w/c 20th April and unfortunately, they will be a different set of instructions! Mr. Douglas will keep you updated.

This weekend is, of course, the Easter weekend and although it has been a number of weeks that many of us have now been at home away from our usual lives, the Easter weekend is a good time to stop and think. Traditionally, even for those families who don't necessarily celebrate Easter, Easter is a time to spend precious time with our families at home as well as think about new beginnings. Over the Easter period, I do hope that you get a chance to do that with either the loved ones who you live with or those further away with the magic of technology like facetime. Happy Easter Featherstone Community!

Best wishes and stay safe...enjoy this week's photographs of all the brilliant things you've been doing whilst you have been doing your bit and: staying at home, protecting the NHS and saving lives.

Mr. E. Gaibee, Headteacher.



Here are two of the Bucur siblings working really hard on their music and maths studies! Well done both!





Thank you so much for your home learning photos! There were just too many to fit on, again! Please email Mr. Douglas at: n.douglas@feathstn.bham.sch.uk if you would like your photo to appear in next week's newsletter!

Right: Peace, Kasparas! It looks like you are doing

some great maths problem solving there! You make it look





Above: Look at Rayan's brilliant drawing of a flower! Wow! Well done Rayan. Below: Liv and Filip working on their learning. Liv is showing all her workings out and Filip is using ICT to make things easier!

easy!

Left: Radha working really hard on her school work—she

looks like she's having lots of fun too!







Look at Filip's Enrichment award!



Above: Just look at Halimah's drawing! Great sketching and colouring!





Above: Mary watched 'The Owl Babies' and made this fab puppet. I know she's been doing lots of chores too!



Hashir doing brilliantly on his TT Rock Stars!



Children's Reminder: The Value of the Month April: Patience

Over the Easter weekend, we are setting you a **PATIENCE CHALLENGE.** Can you be imaginative? Show us how you are being **PATIENT** with an Easter egg...this could be a hunt, decorating an egg, making something Easter-related that is tricky and requires Patience, or it could be that you are not eating your eggs! You're waiting! Send your photos to Mr. Douglas or tweet them...we would love to be **EGG-CITED** to see your **EGG-CELLENT** pictures!





Above: Emma has completed her maths booklet!



Above: Look at Maison's forest structure!



Above: Klarisa has been working on her beautiful handwriting!



Above: Michael and his sister!

Right: Vittesh doing his booklets. Well done Vittesh!





Left: Rafal is cooking and it looks lovely!



Welfare Calls

Throughout the period that the school is closed, Mr. Gaibee, Mr. Douglas, Miss. Lacey, Mr. Gravell, Mrs. Harrington, Miss. Whitehouse and Miss. Modhvadia will telephone families to see how you all are! These will continue whilst the school is closed.

Not only do we have a whole-school Twitter account, which is <u>@FeatherstoneSch</u>

but we also have a Twitter account for each of the year groups across the school. Please do follow our Twitter accounts so that you can see what the teachers are posting when the school is closed. Messages, learning ideas and challenges have been posted this week. Oh, and we love it when you tweet back!

EYFS	@FeatherstoneEYFS
Year 1	@FeatherstoneYR1
Year 2	@FeatherstoneYR2
Year 3	@FeatherstoneYR3
Year 4	@FeatherstoneYR4
Year 5	@FeatherstoneYR5
Year 6	@FeatherstoneYR6