

# Featherstone Primary School

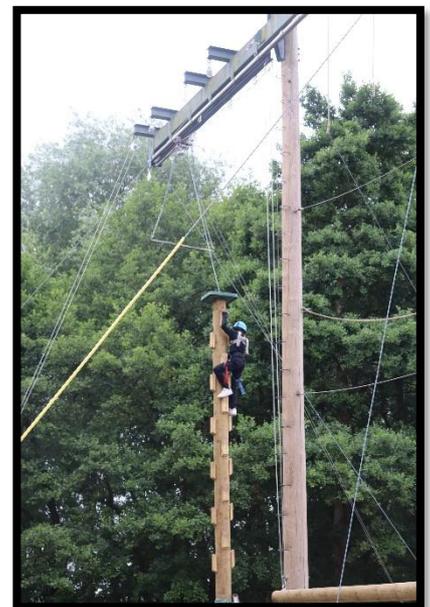


## Weekly School Newsletter

14<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers – enjoy this week’s newsletter! It’s jam-packed with lots of updates and goings on over the past week.

### Residential Y6

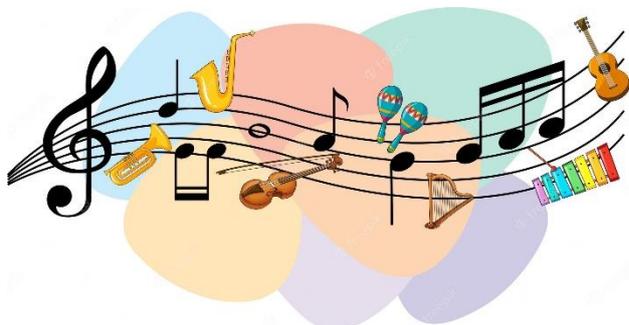


Last weekend, the Year 6’s had a great 2-night stay at Conover Hall, in Shropshire. They conquered their fears with aerial trek, abseiling and rock climbing. There was also a lovely chill out round the camp fire. The children worked really well together to participate in all of the activities and were very sad...and sleepy!...when they had to return home on Sunday. Meanwhile, in school, there was a fun day for many year groups who had the opportunity to go on some inflatables on the school field.



The Year 5 and 6 Elective Musicians performed at the Symphony Hall on Wednesday evening in front of 100s of adults and children across the whole of Birmingham! The children, who play flutes and clarinets, demonstrated incredible skill, talent and Values to perform *Sweet Caroline*, *The Final Countdown* and many more! This is the third time these children have publicly performed: once in school and once at the Birmingham Conservatoire. Each time they have made us, and their families, incredibly proud. Well done, Years 5 and 6!

Year 4 was given a wonderful treat this week with a silent disco and popcorn machine. Between dancing and eating, the children had a great time...and, although the disco was *meant* to be silent, there was a fair amount of noise!





### **Values Ambassadors Pizza Hut Treat!**

The school's 14 Values Ambassadors, who work with Mr. Douglas to promote the Values across school, work very hard and are brilliant, *brilliant* role models. As a thank you, the Values Ambassadors were taken to Pizza Hut – they ate Pizza Hut out of pizza and then went up for ice cream! Thank you, Values Ambassadors, for all the work you have done this year!



### **School Red Polo Top**



We have recently had a request put forward by parents, which Governors have approved, for our school polo tops to change from white to red, due to the fact of white polo tops being incredibly hard to keep clean throughout the year. We would like to inform you that from September 2023 our school uniform will change from white polo tops/white shirts to **red** polo tops.

For children in Year 6 who wear ties: they can continue to wear white shirts.

I appreciate that this may be a change to the normal uniform wear but I have considered how easy these are to source from stores and online.

Parents that have already purchased white top, these can be used in P.E.

### **Glenville Drive**

A reminder once again that many parents, who should not be driving up Glenville Drive, continue to do so. There have been instances recently where children have actually very nearly been hurt! Parents: can I please ask that you do not drive up Glenville Drive unless you have a permit or a blue badge. We continue to send details of those parents who do break the law onto the relevant authorities. A big thanks to all those parents who are co-operative.

### **Transition**

On Wednesday, children had the opportunity to spend the morning with their new class teacher. This is a really helpful way to settle nerves and also for children to get to know a little bit about their new teacher.

### **International Days**

Yesterday and today have been our “International Days,” where children have taken part in loads of activities based on many different countries around the world! Photos to follow next week, so keep a look out!

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!**

### **July 2023**

18<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Production (5.30pm)

19<sup>th</sup> – EYFS Graduation

20<sup>th</sup> – Attendance Shop

21<sup>st</sup> – Break up for Summer

### **Sept 2023**

6<sup>th</sup> – Children return to school

### **Teacher training days for next academic year (school closed to children)**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024

Have a lovely weekend,

From Mr Gaibee (**Headteacher**)