

Featherstone Primary School



Weekly School Newsletter

28th April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a brilliant week in school this week, with lots of hard work. The highlight of our week was certainly on Wednesday, when all the children came in non-school uniform (and were treated to a delicious Eid lunch) to celebrate Eid. The children looked amazing in their party and traditional clothes and a great day was had by all!



House point treats!

Well done to Phoenix and Griffin houses, who won the house point totals for Spring 1 and Spring 2 respectively. The children loved choosing their treat today! Who will win Summer 1?



Year 5 Trip to Leicester Space Centre

The Year 5 children had a lovely time visiting the Leicester Space Centre last week. They learnt lots and the trip really enhanced their classroom learning too.



Reception Party Event!

This week, the Reception classes have been preparing to host some Year 6 visitors in their classrooms. Reception children planned, prepped and got everything ready (including some cooking and drinks) and then spent the afternoon entertaining their guests! There was food, fun, lots of chatter and laughter. It was brilliant for the Reception children to have the confidence to put on a brilliant afternoon! The aim of this event was so that the Reception children have the opportunity to build on their social and language skills with older children. Well done Reception!



Prosody Competition (Years 3 to 6)



Mr. Douglas' Prosody Competition April/May 2023 theme: Perform a play!

April 23rd marks 459 years since the birth of one of the greatest playwrights ever, William Shakespeare. To celebrate this historic day, April/May's prosody competition allows you to get together with a few friends, write a mini script, and put on a short play!

What am I looking for?

William Shakespeare wrote three types of plays: tragedies (to scare/frighten the audience); comedies (to make the audience laugh with make believe and O.T.T. plots); and, histories (to inform and entertain the audience about past events). Your challenge, with friends in small groups, is to:

1. Write a mini script (will it be a tragedy, comedy or history)? This can be based on a book if you'd like it to be.
2. Practise your script as often as you can!
3. Perform your finished play to me (time limit of 3mins).

I will be looking for good acting from everyone in the play, actions, facial expressions, a well-thought plot and clear and confident spoken lines.

Year 6: I will accept solo entries (soliloquies) of some of the scenes from *Macbeth* or *Midsummer* that we have read.



Come and perform on any of these dates:

22nd, 23rd or 24th May

Writing Competition (all year groups)

Miss Lacey's Writing Competition

April/May 2023 theme: Non-Chronological reports

I love to learn new things! I like to surprise people with random facts that I have learnt.

I find one of the best ways to find new facts is to read information texts.



Bring your report to me in Y1 by

Wednesday 24th
May 2023

This month, I would like you to write a **Non-Chronological report**.

- Your report can be about anything! Animals, Sports, Famous people, Historical events.
- You must only tell me real facts. You might need to do your own research before you write to be able to teach me new things.
- Non-Chronological reports sometimes use subheadings to help organise information into sections. They often include pictures and captions.

Your report must showcase your year groups writing objectives and be in your very best handwriting! I will also accept reports that are typed up and printed (but you must do this yourself - no sneaky adult help!)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY! April 17 th – Back to school. 26 th – Eid Dinner for the children	May 1 st – Bank Holiday 8 th – Bank Holiday 9 th to 12 th – Year 6 SATs 24 th – Attendance Shop 26 th – End of Half term
June 5 th – Start of Term 5 th – Phonics Screen Check for Year 1 5 th – Start of Multiplication Check for Year 4	July 5 th – Transition day 10 th – International Festival Week 13 th – Parents' Evening 17 th – Y6 Production 19 th – EYFS Graduation 21 st – Break up for Summer

Have a lovely weekend
From Mr. Gaibee (Headteacher)