

Featherstone Primary School Newsletter



14th November 2025

Dear parents/carers,

Demolition of the Caretaker's House & New Special Education Needs Hub

I am pleased to inform you that the demolition of the Caretaker's House is complete and ready for the construction of a new, single-storey Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Learning Hub.

This project has been fully budgeted for by the school and is part of our continued commitment to ensuring our pupils have access to high-quality, inclusive learning environments.

All construction and design elements—including planning permission, building conditions, and architectural plans—have been approved and signed off. We are excited to share that the provision has been thoughtfully designed to reflect our long-term vision, ensuring all our pupils continue to thrive.

The new SEND Hub will include:

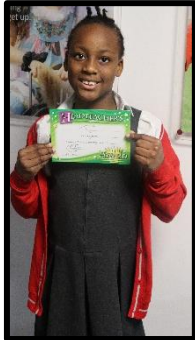
- A sensory room
- A teaching area
- An open-plan kitchen
- A sensory garden
- Skylight windows for natural light
- Bi-fold doors opening to the garden area

Construction is expected to continue from August 2025 through to April 2026.



Value Awards 'Value of the Month – Friendliness

Congratulations to all the children who were chosen to receive an award due to their commitment to Friendliness.



Remembrance Day

Pupils attended assemblies where they learnt about the importance of Remembrance Day and why it falls on the 11th November every year and at 11am. We observed a two-minute silence to remember the soldiers, airmen and sailors who fought in wars to help keep us safe.

Across the week, each class have reflected on Remembrance Day in a number of ways including colouring in poppies and exploring a tuff tray with soldiers and poppies, listening to a story about Remembrance Day, writing words and phrases that remind them of peace and kindness, reflecting on things they are thankful for, making a large remembrance wreath from their painted hands (in the style of a poppy) and creating blackout poetry based on the poem, In Flanders Field.



School Trips

We have had lots of exciting trips over the last few weeks!

Year 3 visited the Hindu Temple where they learnt about how Hindus worship. They also learnt about the Hindu Gods such as Ganesh – the elephant-headed God that helps people overcome problems.



Some students in year 4 visited the Sea Life Centre to learn about marine animals and how to protect our oceans from pollution.



Year 5 enjoyed their trip to the National Memorial Arboretum to reflect on and remember all those that took part in WW1.



Some children in year 6 were given the opportunity to visit the Library of Birmingham to explore the Forgotten Generations Exhibition. The children were lucky enough to be toured around by Karen Kellar, one of the founders of the display. The children learnt a vast history in relation to African and Caribbean service men stretching over seven decades.



Values Ambassadors

On Wednesday, the school's Values Ambassadors delivered an online safety lesson to each class to explain how to stay safe online and the importance of this.



KS1 Award's Assembly

On Tuesday, several parents were invited into school to celebrate their children's achievements in school. Well done to all the pupils for working so hard. A well-deserved award!



Veolia Assembly

We had a special assembly delivered by Veolia – a company who specialise in waste hierarchy. Children learnt about the importance of recycling and the difference between materials that can and can't be recycled.

Year 4 had a workshop after to tie in their learning of pollution and protecting the environment by learning about the stages of recycling and the impact of this on our planet.



Dinner Money next half term

Costs of school meals next half term are:

School meal every day - £92.75

School Meal Thursday only Pizza day - £18.55



Reminder school meals must be paid for in advance, please make sure you have topped up your parent pay account before the children return to school in September.

Diary Dates

Autumn Term	Event
19 th November	EYFS Bedtime Story Workshop 5-6pm
20 th November	Reception & Year 6 NHS Height & Weight
21 st November	Children in Need non-uniform day
28 th November	Flu Spray NHS Rec – Y6
10 th December	Christmas Dinner for Children
16 th December	EYFS Christmas Performance 9.15am / 2.15pm
17 th December	Y4 Christmas Performance 2.15pm
18 th December	Year 5 Parent Showcase 9.15am

From Mr. E. Gaibee
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