## **Featherstone Primary**

# <u>School</u> School Newsletter



17<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to inform you of some planned works that will be taking place over the school summer holidays.

## Main Gates, Fencing, and Pathway Replacement

Work to replace the school gates and fencing, including the installation of new pathways, has been scheduled to take place during the six-week summer break.

## 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 scheduled to begin in August 2025. This will make way 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.

#### **International Festival Days**

### Re: Cultural Festival Days on Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th July 2025

We spent two days celebrating many cultures, nationalities, festivals and traditions from a range of

countries across the world. These days are very important to us because the Featherstone community has over 50 different nationalities. We enjoying learning about, and from one another. In their classrooms, children participated in a 'round robin' of activities by 'visiting' different countries in different classrooms.



#### Whole School Picnic

Last Friday we had our whole school picnic. This was a lovely

opportunity to socialise with one another at the end of a successful year. Children enjoyed snacking with their friends, performing songs and listening to music together.



## Attendance Awards from Reception to Year

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Well done to the following children for their outstanding attendance from when they joined EYFS in Sept 2018 to Year 6

Aria	01.09.18 to 07.07.24	99.4%
Alicia	01.09.18 to 07.07.24	98.9%
Cason	01.09.18 to 07.07.24	97.9%

## **Y6 Leavers' Production**

On Wednesday night, we had a jam-packed hall full of Y6's families who had come to watch their leavers production. The children were great: amazing acting, singing and performing. Well done to them and thank you to the Y6 teaching team and all of the staff who stayed behind late to make the production a huge success! It was such as good show!



## **EYFS and Year 6 Graduation**

It has been a week of celebration and it was lovely to have so many family members join us in celebrating our Reception children completing their EYFS journey ahead of their transition into Year 1. We then had another very tearful graduation for our Year 6 pupils who will be leaving us as they move from the Primary phase of their education into the next chapter of Secondary school.

## Year 6 – Graduation











## **EYFS Graduation:**









## School Dinners

## School Meal Payments Costs of school meals next half term are: School meal everyday - £100.70

School meal on a Thursday only - £21.20



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.

## Farewell

Finally, we say a farewell to the following teaching staff who will be leaving us.

Miss Ford, Miss Hughes and Miss Ishaq. Additionally, Kirsty Harvey our school cook also leaves us at the end of this term. Thank you for all you have done at Featherstone Primary and we wish you well in the next stage of your careers.

## **Diary Dates**

Diary Dates_Summer Term 2025	
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	End of term – Summer Holiday
Back to school Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	

## Secondary School Opens Days for parents looking at school places for Sept 2026

St Edmund Campion: Tuesday 16th September 2025 Bishop Walsh: Wednesday 17th September 2025 North Birmingham Academy: Thursday 18th September 2025 Stockland Green: Monday 22nd September 2025 Fortis Academy: Wednesday 24th September 2025 Erdington Academy: Thursday 25th September 2025 Royal Sutton School: Thursday 2nd October 2025

#### Reminders

#### PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Parents, please note the parking restrictions below



## **TERM DATES**

Autumn Term 2025 Monday 1 September to Friday 24 October 2025 Half-term holiday: Monday 27 October 2025 to Friday 31 October 2025 Monday 3 November to Friday 19 December 2025

#### Spring Term 2026

Monday 20 July 2026

Monday 5 January to Friday 13 February 2026 Half-term holiday: Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026 Monday 23 February to Friday 27 March 2026

Summer Term 2026 Monday 13 April to Friday 22 May 2026 Half-term holiday: Monday 25 May 2026 to Friday 29 May 2026 Monday 1 June to Monday 20 July 2026

**Teacher Training days – closed to pupils** Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September 2025 Monday 5 January 2026 Friday 27th March 2026

Thank you to all or families for their continued support. Stay safe and enjoy the summer holidays.

Warm regards,

Mr E Gaibee Headteacher