Featherstone Primary School 12th Jan 2024 - Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,



A very Happy New Year to all the children, families and staff. I hope that 2024 brings you all good health and happiness. The first week back has been a busy one, as ever!

Value of the Month: Self-discipline



January is the perfect month for the Value of Self-discipline due to the clear links that it has to New Year's Resolutions. Self-discipline is all about children learning how to control themselves, and their feelings, with responsibility. The reason they are taught this is so that they can overcome their weaknesses (because everyone has strengths and weaknesses) to become even better people. The aim of this Value is for children to do this with more

and more independence as they grow up through the school. Help your child at home with Selfdiscipline by setting a New Year's resolution together and supporting each other with keeping to it.

Attendance

I wanted to inform parents that a number of Penalty Notices (fines) have been issued by Birmingham City Council recently.

- Parents of ten children have received a fine for taking their child on an unauthorised holiday during term time. The children missed out on extremely valuable learning time. This time cannot be made up.
- One family have received a fine for very poor attendance.



'Featherstone Fivers'



An exciting new currency, 'Featherstone Fivers,' have been launched this week. Classes can earn themselves a 'Fiver' for showing whole-class teamwork, co-operation and unity. This can be through behaviour as well as focus in lessons; but, it has to be the whole class consistently.

'Fivers' will also be given for classes with the best attendance for the week: two Fivers for the top class, and one Fiver for second and third place.

Fivers can be spent for in-school treats. For example, £50 can buy one class 10mins extra playtime. But they can also be saved up for bigger and better treats!

We have launched the Featherstone Fivers this week and the children are extremely excited. Please support this initiative by getting your child to school every day, on time. Your child could be the difference between their class winning a £5 – or not!

Diary Dates

Wednesday 07.02.24	Year 3 Geography trip to Birmingham City Centre
Friday 09.02.24	Year 5 Science parent workshop
Tuesday 20.02.24	Year 3A History trip to Lunt Fort
Wednesday 21.02.24	Year 3B History trip to Lunt Fort
Tuesday 27.02.24	Parents' evening from 3.45pm
Thursday 29.02.24	Parents' evening from 3.45pm
Friday 08.03.24	Year 6 History/Geography trip to Stratford-Upon-Avon
Friday 08.03.24	Mothers' Day Assembly (EYFS/KS1)
Friday 15.03.24	Comic Relief (Non-uniform day)
Tuesday 19.03.24	EYFS/KS1 Sports afternoon
Wednesday 20.03.24	KS2 Sports afternoon
Friday 22.03.23	Attendance Shop
Friday 22.03.23	School breaks up for the Easter holiday

Best wishes,

From Mr. E. Gaibee

Headteacher