Featherstone Wood Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

If your circumstances change please pop into the School Office and let us know. If you are on certain benefits, e.g. Income Support, you are entitled to free school meals and other support.

Primary Schools Cross Country

On Thursday this week, children from Years 5 and 6 took part in the Stevenage Primary Schools Cross Country event at Fairlands Valley.

All children participated with enthusiasm and special mention goes to Elenna Kelly, Year 5, who finished in 36th position. Well done everyone!



Nursery Applications for September 2019/2020

If you have a child born between 1st September, 2015 and 31st August, 2016, now is the time to apply for their Nursery place for September 2019.

Please call in at the School Office to collect an application form.

Reception Applications for September 2019/2020

Please be aware that if you have a child







in Nursery you need to make an application for their Reception place in September 2019. The application deadline is **Tuesday**, **15**th **January**.

Secondary Applications for 2019/2020

Please be aware that the deadline for applications to secondary school is fast approaching. Parents need to make an application online or on paper by the closing date of **Wednesday**, **31**st **October**, **2018**. It is recommended that parents complete it by Friday, 26th October as there will be limited support available over the weekend for anyone having problems applying.

Star Learners

This week's Star Learners are:-

Reception - Skylar Kaveney

Year 1 - Eliza Burghelea

Year 2 - Ella Regan

Year 3 - Thomas Hatcher

Year 4 - Scarlett Robinson

Year 5 - Nicole Mangoro

Year 6 - Deavion Selby

Well done everyone, we are very proud of you!







PE Star Learners

Our PE Star Learners this week are Fynley Conkling, Year 6 and Scarlet Wickens, Year 2.

Fynley has been awarded the trophy for his leadership skills in basketball. This is great Fynley well done!



Scarlet received the award for persevering with tennis and improving her skills. Well done Scarlet!



Attendance Award

This week the winner of the Attendance Award is Reception with 97.25%. Well done Reception!



Flu Immunisation

This year, all children from Reception to Year 5 are being offered a flu vaccination in school.

Our children will be given the vaccine on Friday, 7th December.

A letter and consent form has been sent out to every class. It is important to complete the form and return to the office even if you do not want your child to have the vaccine.

The form must be returned to school no later than **Friday**, **16**th **November**.

Healthy Start Vitamins

In Hertfordshire Healthy Start Vitamins are FREE to all pregnant women, all breastfeeding mums, all babies from the age of 1 month except those babies who are receiving more than 500mls of formula per day and all children aged one to four years.

You do not need vouchers, you can collect the vitamin tablets or drops from your local family centre.

For more information please visit www.hertsfamilycentres.org

Parents of Featherstone Wood (PofFW)

The PofFW are always looking for new members to join them or helpers for events. Messages can be left on their Facebook page – Parents of Featherstone Wood – or you may leave a message at the School Office.

More helpers are needed for the Halloween Disco on 24th October – either to help set up or assist at the disco.

Below are the dates of upcoming events:-PTA Meetings

The meeting on 8th October has been cancelled

Monday, 12th November - 2.00 p.m.

Monday, 3rd December - 2.00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, 24th October - Halloween Disco

Wednesday, 5th December - PTA Disco

There will be no after school clubs on 5th December due to the disco.

Stop Means Stop Campaign

Starting on Monday 15th October to Friday, 26th October, the Active and Safer Team of Herts County Council will be highlighting the 'Stop Means Stop' campaign.

Not stopping for a school crossing patrol can result in a fine of up to £1,000 and three points on a driving licence. You can even be disqualified from driving if you do not stop your vehicle for the school crossing patrol, or much worse an avoidable road incident.



Dates for your Diary

16th October - Parents Evening

21st October - SAT's practice

24th October - Halloween Disco

26th October - Occasional Day

29th October -

2nd November - Half Term

5th November - School back

9th November - Whole school WW1 event and 1 minutes silence

12th November - Individual photographs

23rd November - School Fair/Poppy canvas sale

3rd December - Year 2 SAT's week

10th December - KS1 nativity to school

12th December - Pantomime

11th December - KS1 nativity - matinee 2.00

p.m.

12th December - KS1 nativity - evening

performance 6.00 p.m.

13th December - EYFS nativity to school

14th December - EYFS nativity - 9.30 a.m.

14th December - Carols around the tree

17th December - Christmas parties

19th December - Christmas lunch

20th December - final achievement assembly -

9.00 a.m.

20th December - end of term - normal time

21st December - Inset Day

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7th January - return to school

4th February - Year 2 SAT's practice

5th February - Parents evening

11th February - SAT's practice

13th February - Valentines Disco

18th February - Half term 22nd February

25th February - School back

19th March - Mother's Day Sale

28th March - Spelling Bee Final

3rd April - Exhibition Day

3rd April - End of term

4th April - Inset Day

5th April - Inset Day

8th April - Easter Holidays 22nd April

23rd April - School back

23rd April – SAT's practice

13th to 17th May - Y6 SAT's

20th to 23rd May - Y2 SAT's

24th May - End of term

27th May - Half Term 31st May 3rd June - return to school

14th June - Father's Day sale

5th July - Sports Day

11th July - Transition Day

12th July - Reports out

 19^{th} July - Summer Fair - 2.00 p.m.

22nd July - Y6 Leavers party 23rd July - Leavers assembly

23rd July - school finishes - 2.00 p.m.

24th July - Inset Day

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