Featherstone Wood Newsletter Friday, 18 November 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with great pleasure that I am now able to share with you our Ofsted report. You will see from the first page that we have been graded GOOD in all areas: -

- Quality of education
- Behaviour and attitudes
- Personal development
- Leadership and management
- Early Years

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff who have worked tirelessly since February 2019 to get this result. During the pandemic they were working hard on: -

- Re-designing the curriculum to meet the latest DfE guidance
- Introduced a new phonics and reading scheme
- Re-designed all the reading spaces across the whole school
- Supporting all the SEND pupils, we now have 29%,17 children with an EHCP
- Outside spaces have been developed with the new gazebo and early years equipment and there is more to come at the beginning of December!
- Applied for grants to support families with PGL, heating, food parcels
- Carried out home visits during the lockdown supporting families in a variety of ways
- Learned how to use Teams and Google classroom!

The Inspectors were impressed with how polite and articulate our children were over their visit and we are so proud of them. It was lovely to hear them talking 'enthusiastically about their school' and how they feel safe and supported in school where 'they are taught to listen to and respect the opinions of others'.

I have always felt our lovely school has a quiet 'family' feel to it and it is so pleasing to see this reflected in the report. It was also lovely to see that 100% of the parents who answered the Ofsted survey said they would recommend the school to another parent.

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Thank you to all the Governors too that have supported us through this challenging journey and I know they are very proud of the school too. Below is a message from Jason Brown, Chair of Governors:

"I am extremely proud to have been on this journey with Featherstone Wood and that they have finally been recognised for the amazing work and passion that they give each day to all our children.

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As educators we are passionately aware that getting a child's early life and education right will have a huge positive impact on their life chances as the grow older and mature. This is the driver for all who work in education and at Featherstone Wood. It is lovely to have an Ofsted report that acknowledges this ambition.

We are hugely proud of this result, and I hope you all are too, as there is a large community that has ensured we achieved Good. So, please share it with everyone!

I have updated the report on our Website and Ofsted will be updating their website over the coming few days.

Happy reading, best wishes and have a lovely weekend.



Louise Shuttleworth Headteacher

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Congratulations to our Star Learners



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Chayse is Star Learner for showing an improved positive attitude this week. Chayse has shown stickability across his learning and achieved his objectives. He now just needs to believe in himself! Well done Chayse





Kayleigh is Star Learner for her excellent participation in her lessons

Blake is Star Learner for being engaged in lessons and answering questions and for his enthusiasm towards learning. Well done, Blake!



Molly is Star Learner for her perseverance and stickability in her work. Well done Molly!





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Jack is Star Learner of his independent writing. He sounded out carefully and used punctuation well.



Ivy is Star Learner for her amazing signing and singing leading the class for the Christmas play.



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Adhil is this weeks Star Learner for Yr2. He has given 100% in maths this week and has gone above and beyond with his number bonds to 10 and 20.

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Year 4—Imogen



Year 5— Jayden, Ashanti, Jayden P, Eric and Erica
Year 3—Arnie and Devan



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WHAT MAKES AN OUTSTANDING PERSON

Every Monday in the School Assembly we will be focusing on a different role model each week using our beautiful 'Little People, Big Dreams' books in the library. So our OUTSTANDING PERSON OF THE WEEK for 21st November is:

Katie's Krops began with a 9-year-old girl and a 40 pound cabbage. In 2008
Katie brought home a tiny cabbage seedling from school as part of the Bonnie Plants Third Grade
Cabbage Program. She tended to her cabbage and cared for it until it grew to an amazing 40 lbs and donated it to a soup kitchen where it helped to feed over 275 people. This was the start of Katie's Krops



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Fri 2nd - 3pm Christmas Wreath Sale

Tue 13th - KS1 Nativity to School



Wed 14th - 9.30am Panto - A Christmas Carol

- Christmas Lunch Early Years and Years 3 & 4
- 2pm KS1 Nativity matinee
- 6pm KS1 Nativity evening performance

Thur 15th - 9.30am EY Nativity to School

- Christmas Lunch - Years 1, 2, 5 & 6

Fri 16th - 9.30am EY Nativity to parents

Tue 20th - 2pm Christmas class parties



Wed 21st - Christmas Jumper day

- Last day of Term - finish normal time



Thurs 22nd - Wed 4th Jan - Christmas Holidays

Featherstone Wood Calendar Fríday, 18 November 2022



November 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
21	22	23	24	25
Last Photo orders		Swimming Yr 5— last session		Inset Day— School closed
28 Occasional Day— School closed	29	30	1	2 Xmas wreath Sale—3pm

December 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
		School finishes— normal time		



Please see separate sheet with Christmas dates and timings

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