Featherstone Wood Primary School

Newsletter

26th February, 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

World Book Day is next Thursday 3^{rd} March. Children are welcome to come to school dressed as their favourite book character or just in non-uniform for a donation of £1. There will be prizes for the best dressed children.

Also on this day POFW will be running a second hand book stall straight after school and would welcome any donations of good quality children's books.

Every child will receive a £1 book voucher. This entitles them to a free £1 World Book Day book or £1 off a book worth £2.99 or more. Vouchers can be used in most book shops.



<u>Stevenage Food Bank</u>

Thank you to the children and staff who brought in toiletry items for the Stevenage Food Bank. We had a nice collection of items to give them and they were gratefully received by the Food Bank.



Cycle Proficiency

Well done to our Year 5 children who have been taking part in the Cycling Proficiency course this week. All children taking part are Year 5 star learners this week.

Star Learners

This week's Star Learners are:-

Reception - Louie Palmer

Year 1 - Ronnie Carter

Year 2 - Irfan Ahmed

Year 3 - Julia Tomalska

Year 4 - Jessica Poulter

Year 5 - Kurtis Kouyate, Leo Cullen, Reilly Archer-Henderson, Charlie Voller, Jacob Johansen, Jamila Begum, Jack Scrimshire, Jack Virtue, Lois Fraser, Ryan Milton and Courtney Taylor.

Year 6 - Daniel Flett

Keep up the good work!



Attendance Trophy

The winners of this week's Attendance Trophy are Year 5 with 98.35%. - Well done.



School Council

The School Council would welcome any donations to help with their Easter Raffle. Tickets will go on sale from 14th March. Our School Council children will be coming around the classes to sell tickets which will be 20p each.

Allotment Area



In the near future we are going to be starting a Gardening Club. Our allotment area is in need of some weeding and digging over and so we are looking for any adult volunteers to help with this on Saturday 5th March from 9.30am until lunchtime.

Refreshment will be provided. If you would like to help, please can you contact the school office. Thank you for your support.

Choir Club



Mrs Hunsley-Fox is running a Choir Club on Wednesday lunchtimes for KS2 children. At the moment they are practicing for The Stevenage Primary School's Concert which is in June. There are still a few places left. If your child is interested in joining, please let the office know.

GO-Girl Project

Stevenage Sporting Futures are running a GO-Girl Project in Stevenage Schools. The sessions are aimed at girls aged 4 - 11yrs. There is no cost involved. The sessions start at Featherstone Wood on Thursday 21st April after school and run right through to the end of the Summer Term. If your child is interested, please come in to the office to collect more information and booking form.

<u>PGL Tríp 2016</u>

Just a reminder, the final payment for our PGL trip is 31st March 2016.

<u>Staffing</u>

Mrs Spencer has been on Maternity leave since June last year. She has made the decision to not return to Featherstone Wood but to stay at home with her new family.

Mrs Jones, our Nursery Teacher will be leaving us at the end of this term.

There will be a collection for both Mrs Spencer and Mrs Jones. If you would like to contribute, the collection will be in the office. We wish them both all the best for the future.

Dates for your Diary

3rd March - World Book Day

21st March - SAT's practice week

25th March - Good Friday

28th March - Easter Monday

30th March - Exhibition Day

1st April - End of term (normal time)

4th to 15th April - Easter Break

18th Apríl - Inset Day

19th April - School resumes

20th April - SAT's practice week

2nd May - Bank Holiday

9th May - SAT's week

30th May - Bank Holiday

31st May to 3rd June - Half Term

6th June - Inset Day

13th June - Phonics Check Week

 20^{th} June - New to Reception Meeting

22nd - 24th June - Year 5& 6 PGL

27th June - New to Nursery Meeting

28th June - Reception Taster Lunch

 5^{th} July - KS2 play to school

 6^{th} July - KS2 play - 1.30 and 6.00 p.m.

8th July - Sports Day & Proms

9th July - Summer Fair

14th July - Transition Day/Meet New Teacher

22nd July - Summer Term finishes 2.00 pm

25th July - Occasional Day

Louise Shuttleworth Headteacher