

Featherstone Wood Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

During the week beginning 19th March, 2018, children in Years 2 and 3 will be participating in activities designed to enrich their learning experiences. These activities will be run by five PGCE students from the University of Hertfordshire.

The university have encouraged schools to get involved in the enrichment week to develop our teaching practice and to create meaningful learning opportunities for students.

We would like to invite parents/carers to come into school for an assembly on Friday, 23rd March at 2.30 p.m., where we will be celebrating the children's work from the week. You will have the opportunity to listen to the student's feedback and view their work.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Administering of Medications

The school has been reviewing its procedures around the administering of medicines in school. This includes all **asthma inhalers and epi-pens**. The school requires **ALL** medicines in their **original packaging**. The packaging contains the issue label from the pharmacist that includes the prescription details and dosage instructions. It is vital that the school has this on file so we can follow the doctor's instructions accurately. This applies to all medication handed to the school from 9th March, 2018, and any changes to the dosage of

existing medications. The school will not be administering any medication without the original packaging and dosage instructions.

KS2 Reading Diaries

KS2 reading diaries are collected in and checked each week on the following days:-

Years 3 and 4 - Wednesdays

Year 5 - Thursday

Year 6 - Monday

Diary reads totals are checked each week and the total reads collated for that week. Any reads noted after this, in the past, are not part of the week's new total.

Please encourage your child to read on a daily basis.



Spelling Bee

Just a reminder that there are only a couple of weeks left for the children to practice their spellings.

Heats will be held in class week beginning Monday, 19th March with the Grand Final taking place on Wednesday, 28th March, at 9.00 a.m.



PGL Meeting

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, 25th April, at 3.30 p.m., for parents and children attending the PGL trip to Bawdsey Manor.

At this meeting you will be given all the necessary information concerning what clothing etc needs to be taken, departure and arrival times.

Star Learners

Our Star Learners this week are:-

Reception - Gavin Partridge
Year 1 - Boyd Cotter
Year 2 - Franky Curran
Year 3 - Lilly-May Graves
Year 4 - Sophie Purdue
Year 5 - Warren Rogers
Year 6 - Katie Mallam

Well done everyone – we are very proud of you.



PE Star Learners

Our PE Star Learners this week are Kyle Gilbert, Reception and Lacey Wyles, Year 5.

Kyle was awarded the trophy for progression with his catching and throwing skills. Well done Kyle!



Lacey received the trophy for showing excellent tennis technique and working well with her partner. Well done Lacey!



SEN/Pastoral Parent Surgeries

Please see below the dates of the next parent surgeries for this term:-

SEN (with Mrs R. Smith):

Wednesday, 21st March – 2.00 – 3.30 p.m.

Pastoral (with Mrs A. Handysides):

Thursday, 22nd March – 2.00 – 3.30 p.m.

If you would like to book an appointment to see either of the above, please call in at the School Office to book.

Contact Details

Please could you ensure that the School Office always has your up-to-date contact details.



Easter Raffle

The School Council will be holding an Easter raffle. Tickets will be on sale from Monday, 12th March. 20p a ticket.

Any donations of Easter eggs and Easter related items would be kindly appreciated. The draw will take place on Wednesday, 28th March.

Thank you for supporting Featherstone Wood School Council.



Bag2School

The Bag2School collection will take place on Monday, 19th March. All bags are weighed and the school receives a donation by the total weight collected. The more we collect the more we receive.

Marie Curie Daffodil Appeal

Daffodils are once again on sale in the office. Marie Curie is a charity which gives care and support through terminal illness.



Garden House Hospice Fashion Show

A fashion show organised by the Garden House Hospice is being held at Knebworth Barns on Thursday, 24th May at 7.30 p.m.

The event is priced at £20.00 per ticket and includes a fashion show, guest speakers, stalls, a glass of Prosecco on arrival and nibbles.

For further information contact danielle.swinburne@ghhospicecare.org.uk.

Dates for your Diary

19th March – Spelling Bee Heats in class

28th March – Spelling Bee Final – 9.00 a.m.

28th March – Exhibition Day

28th March - Term ends

29th March - Inset Day

Summer Term:

16th April - Term starts

25th April - PGL meeting 3.30 p.m.

14th to 18th May – SAT's Week Year 6

21st to 24th May – SAT's week Year 2

24th May – End of term

25th May - Inset Day

28th May – 1st June - Half term

4th June - Children back to school

6th to 8th June – PGL Trip

11th to 15th June – Year 1 phonics check

15th June – Father's Day Sale

6th July – Sports Day

12th July – Transition Day

16th July – Y6 Leavers Party

20th July – Leavers Assembly

20th July - Term ends 2.00 p.m.

23rd July - Inset Day

24th July - Occasional Day

25th July - Occasional Day

26th July - Occasional Day

27th July - Occasional Day

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