



Featherby Junior School

Newsletter

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Aspiring, Learning &
Achieving within our
Featherby Family

23 Week ending Friday 4th March 2016



Dear Parents

I hope that everyone had a good February holiday. I know that the children who came to the holiday club had a great time. Many thanks to Mr Williams for organising the week and to the adults who ran the various activities.

I know that the pupils in Year 5 had a fantastic time last week at their Highwayman day. 'Awesome' was a word I heard many times during the day. We are just starting to review the curriculum for September, so hopefully there will be more of these 'awesome' days in the future.



WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**

Thank you also for supporting our 'World Book Day' dressing up event last Friday, I certainly bumped into quite a few Harry Potter's as well as a few 'Where's Wally's', some Dorothy's and the odd Alice in Wonderland as I was out and about in school!

Please keep up the good work in supporting the children with their learning, we are seeing some pleasing progress in many areas.

I hope that you all have a good weekend and Mums, that you get spoilt on Sunday!

Rosemary Wiles





Aspiring

Last week's Special Mentions went to...

... Harvey in Kestrel for showing increased concentration and application towards his learning.	... Ben in Woodpeckers for much improved attitude towards his learning	... Adam in Merlins for making a superb start to the new term. He is starting to
... Dylan in Herons for his great effort and confidence.	... Freddie in Pipit for progress in his independence and confidence.	... Jessica in Skylarks for always working hard with a smile on her face. 😊
... Molly in Doves for being a bubbly, enthusiastic member of our Year Group.	... Alex in Penguins for his outstanding performance as the Highwayman.	... Kelsey in Bluebirds for a new confidence that is getting her noticed for all
... Billy in Puffins for a fantastic start to the term by showing true determination in his maths assessments! 😊	... Derryn in Buzzards for making huge improvements in his attitude towards learning and participation in lessons. Well done! 😊	... Lola-Brooke in Firecrest for a substantial improvement in her quality of work. Super neat handwriting and a brilliant Kenning.

This week's Special Mentions went to...

... Samuel in Kestrels for being a super Kestrel role model.	... Lucy in Firecrest for an improved attitude towards her learning.	... Bailey in Merlins for making a concerted effort to focus in a range of lessons. 😊
... Bailey in Herons for always giving 100% effort into everything he does and putting a	... Ethan in Pipit for his persistence and enthusiasm.	... Hannah in Skylarks for trying everything with a smile.
... Alexie in Doves for being a consistently conscientious worker.	... Daniel in Woodpeckers for an amazing comic strip and artwork.	... Jenson in Bluebirds for an amazing painting in the style of Charles Keeping.
... Lucas in Puffins for excellent efforts in Literacy and his overall mature attitude to Year 6! 😊	... Callum in Buzzards for always being polite, having an enthusiastic approach to his learning and being a reformed member of Buzzard Class—Well done!	... Kenzie in Penguins for his outstanding improvement in his behaviour and writing.

Attendance week commencing 8th February

Firecrest	92.7%	Kestrel	93.7%	Merlin	98.3%
Heron	91.3%	Pipit	98%	Skylark	97.3%
Bluebird	97.3%	Dove	97.7%	Penguin	96.7%
Buzzard	95.2%	Puffin	97.9%	Woodpecker	91.8%



Well done Merlins!

Attendance week commencing 22nd February

Firecrest	96.7%	Kestrel	97.3%	Merlin	97.3%
Heron	94.3%	Pipit	96%	Skylark	95.3%
Bluebird	91.3%	Dove	89.7%	Penguin	99%
Buzzard	97%	Puffin	97.9%	Woodpecker	95.7%



Almost 100% Penguins!

365 days a year	175 non school days to spend with family, holidays & appointments.					
	In school 190 days. 100%	10 days missed.	20 days missed.	29 days missed.	38 days missed.	47 days missed.
	95%	In school 180 days.	In school for 170 days.	In school for 160 days.	In school for 152 days.	In school for 143 days
	90%			85%	80%	



Learning

Visit from a Highwayman in Year 5

On Wednesday 24 February Year 5 had a day all about The Highwayman. We read the poem and spoke about the old language in it. In the morning we all got into our classes and we all had different activities such as sketching a model inn, creating a wanted poster and got to learn about real highwayman. In the afternoon we acted out the poem and we also got to watch a Highwayman shoot a musket. We would recommend it to other schools.

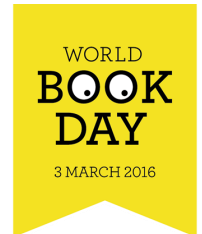
By Rebecca in Doves, Lorna in Doves and Kane in Penguins



Achieving

Waterstones visit

Today we went to Waterstones to collect our World Book Day books. Unfortunately, only 12 people were able to go so we decided to choose the most frequent reader from each class to attend. Each child was given 30 vouchers to choose books for their class; one voucher meant one book. As an extra special treat, we had donuts and drinks when we returned to school. Each child chosen from each class was then responsible for giving out the books to their peers. Waterstones were amazing getting the books at such short notice and helping us with our book choices. We are very thankful. Everyone received a book today which means we can all read at home and swap books with friends when we are finished. Get reading everyone!



Lauren in Kestrels, Charlie in Merlins, Erin in Firecrest, Sophie in Heron, Isabella-Eden in Skylark, Lucy in Pipit, Isobel in Dove, Isobel in Penguin, Zak in Bluebirds, Ella in Buzzards,



Notice board

Class

Assemblies

Every Thursday at 3.00pm
All Parents Welcome

Thursday 10th March

Buzzards

Thursday 17th March

Merlins

Dangerous Parking Again

We have been receiving more complaints from our neighbours about your parking in and around Chilham Road. Please be more considerate when dropping off and collecting your children. Bad parking is also extremely dangerous for our children!

Thank you all for your contributions for our link school in Malawi. You have all been very generous.

Thank you also for your support with our new School Money System. It is going really well!

FRIENDS OF

FEATHERBY JUNIOR SCHOOL

The School PTA will be selling raffles tickets at 20p per ticket for their Grand Easter Raffle. These will be sold by Year 6 children at lunchtimes from next Monday 7th March 2016.



The Easter Discos will be held on

Wednesday 30th March 2016

More details to follow.

DATES FOR NEXT WEEK AND BEYOND

Wednesday 9th March—Gifted and Talented Group to Geography at Rainham Mark Grammar School

Monday 14th March—Science Week in school—all week

Monday 14th March—Assessment Week across the whole school

Friday 18th March—Sports Relief Day in School

The next edition of the Featherby Junior Newsletter will be out on Friday 18th March