



Featherby Junior School

# Newsletter

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Aspiring, Learning &  
Achieving within our  
Featherby Family

**27** Week ending Friday 22nd April 2016

*Dear Parents*

*Welcome back to Term 5! I hope that everyone had a good Spring break and managed to find some good weather.*

*The pupils have all settled back to school really well and their attitude and engagement in their learning has been commented on by several visitors that I have shown around the school this week.*

*Well done to the pupils who attempted my 500 word challenge - there are some great stories and diary entries and I have really enjoyed reading them.*



*Next week is looking to be a busy one with our St George's Day celebration on Monday and Parents' Evening on Tuesday and Wednesday.*

*I hope that you all have a good weekend.*

*Rosemary Wiles*



# Aspiring

Last term's Silver Special Mentions went to...

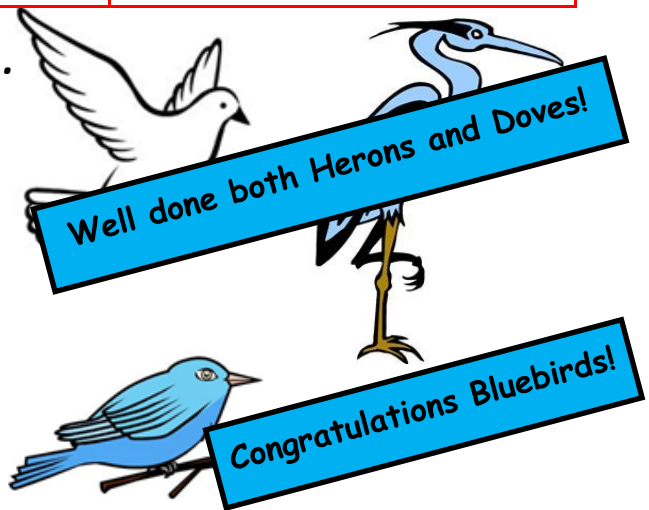
... Freyah in Kestrels for growing in confidence and always performing with real enthusiasm in drama activities.	... Erin in Firecrest for gaining confidence to share her ideas and complete work in the time set.	... Quinlan in Merlin for being excellently behaved in all lessons and at playtime. He is a real pleasure to have in the class.
... Laila in Herons for her perfect behaviour at all times inside and outside the classroom.	... Chloe and Sebastian in Pipit Class for excellent teamwork during PE.	... Donna in Skylarks for brilliant effort in our PE filled Tuesdays.
... Josh in Doves for unstoppable enthusiasm across all areas of the curriculum.	... Callum in Penguins for his impeccable manners and patience. You are an excellent class role model.	... Ella in Bluebirds for an outstanding independent attitude in computing.
... Lillie-Belle in Puffins for an improved approach to all her learning in class, homework and excellent effort in PE! ☺	... Harley in Woodpeckers for greatly improved attitude to his work in all areas.	... Siena in Buzzards for putting maximum effort into her learning. Reads regularly and always gives her homework in on time.

## This week's Special Mentions went to...

... Tiana-Hope in Merlins for always being a pleasure to teach and an excellent friend to all.	... Bobby in Firecrest for an amazing London Marathon design for an athlete.	... Charlie in Herons for having the confidence to stand up and perform.
... Emma in Pipits for a huge improvement in her spellings and handwriting.	... Amber in Skylarks for your very convincing acting.	... Reggie in Kestrels for an improvement in concentration and effort. Great effort with reading and handwriting.
... Sidra in Penguins for being an asset to Penguin Class and a loyal friend.	... Leigh in Bluebirds for more mature attitude in her maths learning.	... Phoebe in Puffins for her super writing work with Mrs Astirbadi.
... Caleb in Buzzards for always being a polite and hardworking member of the class. Caleb takes his responsibilities seriously and makes sure his perfect jobs are done well—Well done! ☺	... Ben in Doves for always giving over and above in his learning and being a pleasure to teach.	... Toby in Woodpeckers for constantly doing the right thing, but mostly for producing a fantastic piece of artwork with his own Egyptian twist on it.

### Attendance week commencing 21st March .....

Firecrest	93.8%	Kestrel	95.8%	Merlin	94.6%
Heron	97.1%	Pipit	95.8%	Skylark	91.5%
Bluebird	92.1%	Dove	97.1%	Penguin	91.7%
Buzzard	83.5%	Puffin	95.3%	Woodpecker	78.1%



### Attendance week commencing 28th March

Firecrest	92.9%	Kestrel	97.5%	Merlin	94.6%
Heron	84.2%	Pipit	93.3%	Skylark	92.9%
Bluebird	97.9%	Dove	95%	Penguin	92.5%
Buzzard	94.6%	Puffin	94%	Woodpecker	93.3%

<b>365 days a year</b>	<b>175 non school days to spend with family, holidays &amp; appointments.</b>					
	In school 190 days.	10 days missed.		20 days missed.		29 days missed.
	<b>100%</b>	In school 180 days.	<b>95%</b>	In school for 170 days.	<b>90%</b>	38 days missed.
				In school for 160 days.	<b>85%</b>	In school for 152 days.
						47 days missed.
						In school for 143 days
					<b>75%</b>	



# Learning

## Drama in Year 4

On Wednesday, Skylark Class were testing out our acting skills using play scripts to act out well-known fairytales.

We had lots of fun watching Mrs Clarke showing us how not to act (Mrs Chopra was crying with laughter). We then were lucky enough to enjoy the sunshine and act on the stage outside.

This made it harder, but it was worth it.



By Skylark Class



# Achieving

## London Marathon Week 2016

This week, the school have participated in London Marathon activities. Year 3 designed a kit. Year 4 looked at Healthy Eating. Year 5 created London landmarks and Year 6 created a London Marathon timeline.

All children participated in a one mile run to complete the marathon distance in each class and then we all showcased this in a wonderful assembly!

By Pipit Class



# Notice board

## Class Assemblies

Every Thursday at 3.00pm  
All Parents Welcome

Thursday 28th April

## Penguins

Thursday 5th May

## Doves



## FOFJSA

The Friends of Featherby will be issuing bags next week for their Bags 2 School Campaign. More details will follow when we have them. Thanks.

## DATES FOR NEXT WEEK AND BEYOND .....

Monday 2nd May 2016—MAY DAY—No children in School

Tuesday 3rd May—children back in school

Tuesday 24th May—Class and Sports Photos

Thursday 26th May—Mini Youth Games Cricket

The next edition of the Featherby Junior Newsletter will be out on Friday 6th May