# Featherby Friday Flyer

TERM 5 | WEEK 5 | FRIDAY 22/05/2026

As we come to the end of another half term, it is wonderful to reflect on what a fantastic few weeks it has been across the Featherby community. The term has been filled with exciting opportunities, memorable experiences and special moments for our children, and it has been a joy to see them learning, growing and thriving each day.

There have been so many highlights across the term. The children loved watching our ducklings hatch and observing the incredible butterfly life cycle before releasing them outdoors. Forest School sessions have continued to provide valuable opportunities for exploration, teamwork and learning through nature, while our 'Come Read With Me' sessions have been a wonderful way to share a love of reading with families.

Our OPAL playtimes continue to have a hugely positive impact across the school, with children enjoying creative, active and imaginative play opportunities each day. Sports Day was also a fantastic success and it was lovely to see the children taking part with such enthusiasm and team spirit. The whole school picnic was another special highlight and a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school community.

We have also started our transition activities across both schools to help children feel happy, confident and ready for the next step in their school journey. These opportunities give children time to become familiar with new classrooms, teachers and routines, helping to make the move into their next year group as smooth and positive as possible.

We are incredibly proud of all our children for the kindness, resilience and enthusiasm they show every day, and we thank our staff and families for their continued support throughout the term.

I hope everyone enjoys a restful and enjoyable half term break, and we look forward to welcoming you all back for another exciting term ahead.

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## YEAR 5

**Year 5 Parents - Information Meeting for all Year 5 parents about Secondary School Choices**
**Tuesday 2nd June @ 5pm Infant Hall**

We hope that all our Year 5 parents are able to make the information meeting with Mr Brenton. This important meeting will cover all the important facts to support you and your child making a successful application.

## YEAR 6

**Today is the last day to order your child's Leavers' Hoodie (if you want one)**

You have until 22nd May to order your child's hoodie via Made with love and labels:
https://share.google/DHe7t6QfVGCmwANXp

## WHOLE SCHOOL

### What a superstar, Reggie!

Reggie from Year 4 (and his Ebbsfleet U9 team) played at Charltons Ground last weekend and were crowned champions. A great experience, visiting the changing rooms and walking out through the tunnel to their names being announced. You should be so proud of yourself, Reggie - we certainly are! Well done!

## RECEPTION AND NURSERY & FLEDGLINGS & THE NEST

### Zoolab is coming!

As part of our curriculum we plan regular memorable events to support the children's development of knowledge.

The EYFS team have arranged for Zoolab to visit the school on Tuesday 2nd June, for a workshop in 'Caring for Living Things' teaching the importance of looking after animals and insects. We will look at how to look after animals, plants and the planet.

To enable this memorable event to take place, we would ask that each parent pays £6.50 to support the school in paying for this extra experience so we can go ahead with the event on 2nd June.

You will find the payment on your MCAS App under 'Outstanding' and we would be grateful
if you could pay this as soon as possible so we can confirm the booking.

Thank you as ever for your support.

## Class Reward
## Friday 5th June

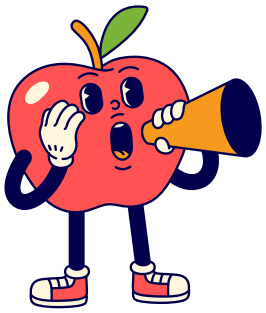
## OSTRICH CLASS

Ostrich Class have achieved their target of class reward tokens and have chosen to have a games afternoon on the first Friday 5th June. They're looking forward to enjoying all the old party games (pin the tail on the donkey, musical chairs etc) as part of their well-deserved reward.

## WHOLE SCHOOL

### Field & Pathways

When moving between the KS1 and the KS2 buildings, please don't walk across the field. You saw this week how important our field is to us, for events like sports days and events. So please help us to ensure your children can enjoy the field, as it is for them!



## Shout Out to our Wonderful PTA

For donating all the fresh fruit the children enjoyed as a refreshment on Sports Day.

Thank you PTA - your support is so valued!

## Sports Day Scores

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| Juniors - | Aztecs | Greeks | Romans | Tudors |
| | 652 | 668 | 707 | 753 |
| Infants - | Aztecs | Greeks | Romans | Tudors |
| | 560 | 668 | 700 | 651 |
| Total - | Aztecs | Greeks | Romans | Tudors |
| | 1212 | 1336 | 1407 | 1404 |

# WIDER COMMUNITY

## Fun Day for Families

Join us at the #WelcomeToMedway Gillingham event! Whether you're a newcomer or a long-time resident, come enjoy a day filled with fun while discovering everything Medway has to offer at this FREE event.

**Thursday 28th May**

**10.30 to 1.30**

Family-Friendly Activities

Giveaways

Meet local agencies, discover what free services are available to you and explore one of the Medway Children and Family Hubs.

**Gillingham Children and Family Hub**
Woodlands Road, Gillingham, Kent
ME7 2BX

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FamilyHubs@Medway.gov.uk

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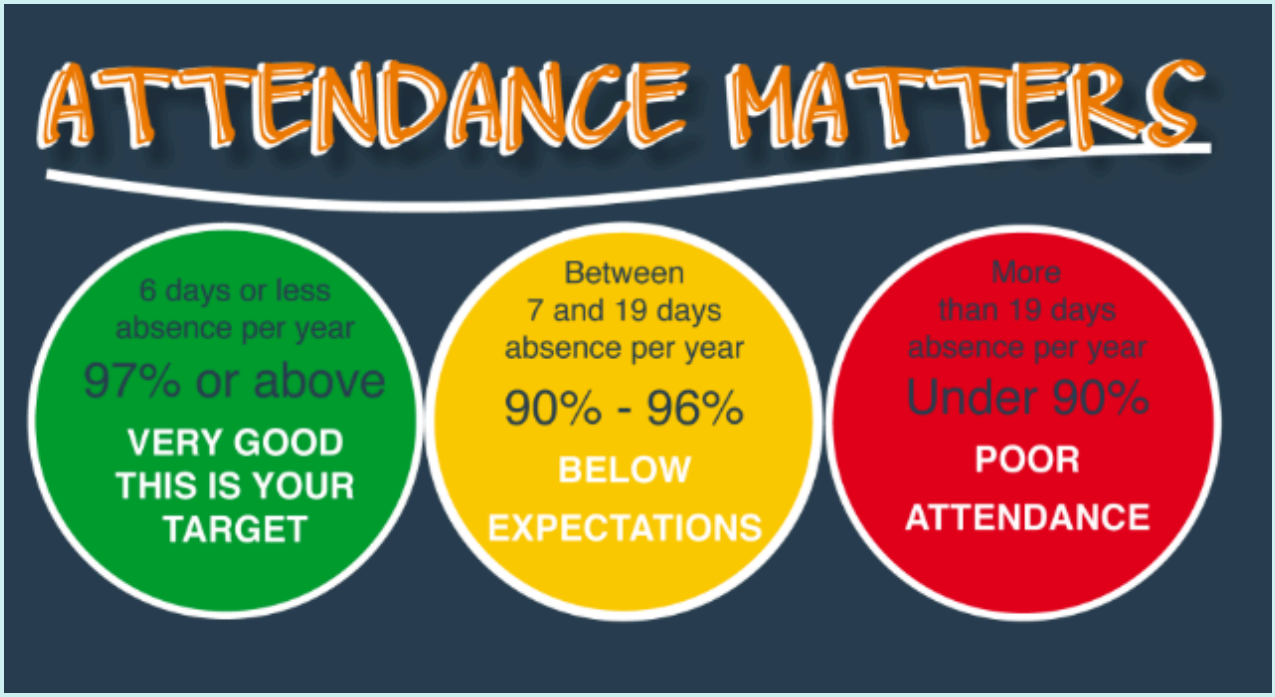
# WIDER COMMUNITY

# WHOLE SCHOOL



# School Events

WHOLE SCHOOL

Events in Red = Events When parents in certain year groups come in to join us (dates for your diary)
Events in Blue = Events happening in school for the children, that doesn't involve parents coming in

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| Monday 1st June 2026 | 1st day of Term 6 |
| 1st - 19th June | National Phonics Screening (Year 1 and Year 2) |
| Tues 2nd June @ 5pm | Year 5 Parent Info meeting for 11+ Tests (Infant Hall) |
| Weds 3rd June | Year 2 Trip |
| Weds 3rd June @ 9am | Hatchlings Stay & Play Sessions |
| Thurs 4th June | Year 6 Big Day trip! |
| Thurs 4th June @ 10.30am | Barn Owl Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Thurs 4th June @ 10.30am | Dove Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Fri 5th June 2026 | Class group photos taken in school |
| Fri 5th June @ 3pm | Year 3 to Year 6 - Reading with parents session |
| 8th - 12th June | Year 4 National Multiplication Tests |
| Thurs 11th June 2026 @ 10.30am | Woodpecker Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Thurs 11th June 2026 @ 10.30am | Ostrich Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Fri 12th June | Father's Day Gift Sale to children (Juniors) |
| 15th - 26th June | Assessment weeks in school (all pupils) |
| Tues 16th June 2026 (pm) | EYFS Sports Day |
| Weds 17th June @ 9am | Hatchlings Stay & Play Sessions |
| Thurs 18th June 2026 @ 10.30am | Robin Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Thurs 18th June 2026 @ 10.30am | Flamingo Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Thurs 18th June 2026 (pm) | Back up EYFS Sports Day |
| Fri 19th June 2026 | Father's Day Gift Sale to children (Infants) |
| Thurs 25th June @ 10.30am | Wren Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Thurs 25th June @ 10.30am | Parrot Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Fri 26th June @ 2.55pm | Year R to Year 2 - Reading with parents session |
| Weds 1st July @ 9am | Hatchlings Stay & Play Sessions |
| Thurs 2nd July @ 10.30am | Finch Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Thurs 2nd July @ 10.30am | Toucan Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Fri 3rd July @ 3pm | Year 3 to Year 6 - Reading with parents session |
| Thurs 9th July @ 10.30am | Kingfisher Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Thurs 9th July @ 10.30am | Emu Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Mon 13th July | Transition Day (Day 1) |
| Mon 13th July - evening - tbc | Year 6 Leavers' Production @ The Howard for parents |
| Tuesday 14th July | Transition Day (Day 2) |
| Weds 15th July @ 9am | Hatchlings Stay & Play Sessions |
| Weds 15th - Fri 17th July | Year 6 Residential Trip |
| Thurs 16th July @ 10.30am | Tawny Owl Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Thurs 16th July @ 10.30am | Skylark Class assembly (parents invited to join us) |
| Fri 17th July @ 2.55pm | Year R to Year 2 - Reading with parents session |
| Mon 20th July (afternoon) | Year 6 Leavers' Festival |
| Tuesday 21st July (am) | Year 6 Leavers' Assembly |
| Tues 21st July 2026 | Last day of Term 6 1.30pm finish |

# Special Mentions

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| Olivia | Robin | For always giving 100% to everything that you do, you have continued to work hard and the presentation of your work has improved considerably. Well done Olivia, I am so proud of you! |
| Tommy | Puffin | For making brilliant progress across all subjects this term, Tommy has shown a fantastic attitude towards his learning, both at school and at home, especially with his home reading. Well done, Tommy! |
| Henry H | Snowy Owl | For always doing the right thing 100% of the time. Giving every single piece of effort you can into your work in all subjects. He is always very respectful to everyone in the class and school. Super proud well done Henry! |
| Edison | Woodpecker | For making excellent progress across all subjects this term. Edison has grown in confidence and shown a fantastic attitude towards learning. Keep up the great work! |
| Halis | Wren | For outstanding progress in all areas of learning. It has been wonderful to watch your confidence blossom. You are such a kind, thoughtful, and caring member of the class, always showing kindness to your peers and those around you. Well done! |
| Binky | Finch | for consistently making thoughtful choices, showing kindness, responsibility and making huge improvements in all areas of learning. Well done Binky |
| Evie | Kingfisher | For consistently working hard to improve her work and growing in confidence and resilience especially with her maths. Well done! |
| Isla | Barn Owl | For always working hard and showing more confidence in the classroom. |
| Leon | Tawny Owl | For having a fantastic attitude towards his learning and always making great choices. Leon has made superb progress this term, especially with his phonics and reading. Well done, Leon! |

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| Jayden M | Skylark | For his exceptional attitude towards his learning. He is a role model to all, kind, respectful and a valued member of Skylark. He has begun to answer questions more confidently - keep up all the great work! |
| Luna D | Jay | For flourishing in Jay class this year, and I could not be more proud of her achievements! She is kind, considerate and supportive to all of her peers, and it has been a pleasure to teach her in Year 3.Well done! |
| Ivan K | Dove | For demonstrating an enthusiasm for learning every day - it is a joy to see the effort he puts into taking on feedback and always using it to push his aspirations higher and higher! |
| Hadi P | Toucan | For always trying to make the right choices even when others around him are not. He has really shown a desire to improve , particularly with reading, and as a result of his effort and determination he is making excellent progress. Well done Hadi - you should be proud. |
| Charlie W | Parrot | For being a fantastic role model to the class. Charlie is a focused learner who demonstrates a mature attitude with a calm nature and polite manner. He is consistently demonstrating the Featherby values and focuses on his own choices, rather than others. A beacon within the class! |
| Daniel W | Macaw | For always being extremely well-mannered, polite, and respectful. Daniel consistently demonstrates the Featherby Values and is a wonderful member of Macaw class. |
| Saxon E | Ostrich | For being exceptionally kind, always helpful, and showing a wonderful attitude to learning and growth. Saxon always listens to advice and challenges himself every day. He is an incredible role model. |
| Ivy-Rose M | Flamingo | For showing a consistently positive approach to all her learning this term, really taking responsibility across all lessons and always being helpful within the classroom. Ivy, you should be really proud of yourself. |
| Ivy T | Emu | For always showing a positive attitude towards learning. Sometimes you lack confidence in yourself but I have seen this build over the last term. You are a kind and helpful member of Emu class and a pleasure to teach. Keep believing in yourself Ivy, I certainly do!. |
| Alvah L | Falcon | For the effort he puts into his work, especially his maths, his fantastic attitude and his willingness to help others. What a role model! |
| Jessica H | Hawk | For being a wonderful member of Year 6 who consistently showcases our school values through their positive attitude, excellent behaviour, and strong work ethic. She is always hardworking and sets a fantastic example for others. Well done, Jessica! |
| Matthew D | Eagle | For all of his hard work and dedication throughout the year. Matthew consistently demonstrates a positive attitude towards his learning and always tries his best in everything he does. He is polite, caring, and respectful towards both his classmates and teachers. He is a pleasure to have in the classroom. Keep it up Matthew! |

## Attendance Winners

Infants

Snowy Owl = 99.13%

Juniors

Emu = 97.93%

## Times Tables Rock Stars

This weeks results are:

Year 3 Jay
Year 4 Macaw
Year 5 Ostrich
Year 6 Falcon

This weeks winner is Falcon however there is still everything to play for in our Maths week battle which ends at the end of the day. Results for the tournament will be shared when we return after half term.

# Reading Nominations

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| Robin | Athena | Athena has made excellent progress in her phonics and reading this year. I am so proud of her hard work! |
| Finch | Ronnie | Ronnie has made amazing progress with reading becoming more confident and has started to show a real love for reading. |
| Wren | Emeline | For great enthusiasm for reading, Emeline has been reading books at home in French and English! Emeline has also been demonstrating wonderful reading in our group sessions! Well done! |
| Barn Owl | Sophie | Is making fantastic progress with her reading and engaging far more. |
| Tawny Owl | George H | Superb engagement with reading all year around. George is a brilliant reader both inside the classroom and at home. He is a joy to read with! |
| Snowy Owl | Arthur | for always working so hard on his reading this term and showing great improvement! |
| Kingfisher | Reagan | She has shown real commitment to reading both at school and home all year and that effort is really starting to show in the progress she is making. Well done, keep it up! |
| Woodpecker | Grayson | For making excellent progress with his reading. |
| Puffin | Jack | For making amazing progress with his reading. Jack is always keen to take a sharing book home and regularly shares his home reading on learning with parents! Well done Jack! |
| Jay | Elijah S | For his great improvement in applying his reading skills in lessons to infer and predict, as well as always showing dedication to reading at home. |
| Dove | Jenson T | For showing a natural flare for reading. He is reading challenging books at home and showing great interest. He has only been on Reading Plus for a short time and has shown great improvement and enthusiasm and is in the top 10! |
| Skylark | Idalia R | For challenging herself in reading each week and being in the top 5 students for Reading Plus. She also makes sure that she reads 4 times a week on Learning with Parents. |
| Parrot | Thiyumi | For amazing progress within her reading and for consistently reading at school and home to further progress. |
| Toucan | David-Junior | For great progress in reading and engaging so positively with Reading Plus. |
| Macaw | Harvey H | For having a positive attitude towards reading plus. |
| Emu | Janelle. A | For consistently reading at home and showing a positive attitude towards it. |
| Ostrich | Barunka H | For reading a wide range of challenging books and consistently keeping her contact book up to date. She demonstrates a true dedication to reading and a wonderful commitment to developing her skills and love of literature. |

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| Flamingo | Martyna P | For consistent effort in reading at school to stay within the top 5 readers on reading plus, and for great contributions and positivity during guided reading lessons. Well done Martyna! |
| Falcon | Josie C | For the absolute amazing reading skills she used in her SATs reading paper - we were blown away by the strategies remembered and used. She is a true reading superstar! |
| Eagle | Jacob | For his great progress throughout the year a dedication to completing his reads every week. Well done Jacob! |
| Hawk | Jessica H | For her incredible progress on reading plus and her consistently awesome effort in reading at home. Well done Jessica! |