Featherby Friday Flyer

TERM 6 | WEEK 3 | FRIDAY 19/06/2026

The past week has certainly reminded us that summer has arrived! Thank you to everyone for your support during the exceptionally warm weather. We really appreciate families ensuring that children came to school with water bottles, sun hats and sun cream each day. Your support has helped us to keep everyone safe and comfortable while still making the most of their learning. I would also like to thank our staff, who have adapted activities and routines throughout the week so that children could continue to enjoy their time in school despite the high temperatures.

As we come towards the end of another busy and successful year, it also feels like a good opportunity to reflect on our recent Ofsted outcome. Whilst we are, of course, incredibly proud of the report, what means the most to me is that it reflects the school community we have built together. It recognises the dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm and kindness of our pupils, and the positive relationships we have with our families. Every day, we strive to create a school where children feel known, valued and encouraged to flourish, and it was wonderful to see this reflected in the inspection.

As always, thank you for the support you continue to show our school. The strength of Featherby has always been the relationships we share with our children, families and the wider community. Whilst we are taking time to celebrate this achievement, we are equally excited about the future. Together, we will continue to build on our strengths, develop and grow as a school, and provide the very best opportunities for every child to learn, thrive and succeed.

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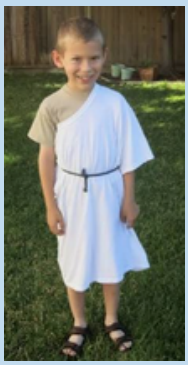
Year 5 Parents - Come and join us!
Friday 10th July @ 1.45pm

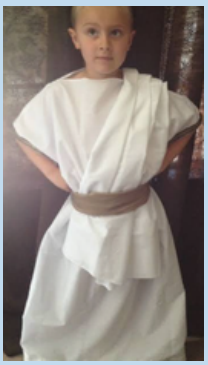
YEAR 5

Year 5 would like to celebrate our Groundbreaking Greeks topic with parents on Friday 10th July. We would like to invite parents in to view their child's learning and share some activities with them from 1:45 until 3pm in the Junior hall. We invite the children to come in on that day dressed as a Greek - of course this is optional, if they feel more comfortable coming in school uniform that is fine.

We don't expect expensive costumes or accessories - white t-shirt/top and shorts/leggins or similar will be absolutely fine. Maybe even an adult t-shirt that you could tie a belt/ ribbon around or a bedsheet that you could make into a costume. We'll share acouple of examples of homemade costumes to inspire you but if you had any questions please speak to any of the Year 5 team.

Save the date!





Year 5 Parents - Come and meet the Year 6 Team!
Tuesday 14th July @ 5pm

YEAR 5

The Year 6 team are inviting you to come and meet them on Tuesday 14th July @ 5pm in the Junior school hall. It will be an opportunity for you to learn more about the last year of primary school and what to expect about the transition to secondary school. You'll be able to meet and chat with the teachers as well as learning what we do to support your child in this final year and how you can work with us to ensure they leave Featherby ready for those next adventures.

We hope to see you all there.

YEAR 6

In case it's of interest if your child is going to be getting the bus to secondary.....

WHOLE SCHOOL

Parents - can you help?

We really need help with adults on two library trips, would you be able to help?

Tuesday 30th June in the afternoon - could you help us by accompanying Hawk class on the walking trip to the libary?

Friday 17th July in the morning - could you help us by accompanying Finch class on a walking trip to the library?

If you could spare about an hour on either of those visits please email Mrs Barraclough on:

admin@fpsmat.org

We'd be really grateful.

WHOLE SCHOOL

Attendance - Unauthorised Marks on MCAS in the mornings
Let us clarify how it works

We often get phone calls from parents before midday, concerned that their child has received an unauthorised attendance mark for that morning. When you log on in the mornings and it says "unauthorised" - this isn't us saying we don't authorise it, what it means is that the system defaults to say "unauthorised" until we've actually changed it to authorised.

Please rest assured that, if you have provided us with a reason for absence, your child will receive the correct mark. Attendance coding can take some time so please bear with us.

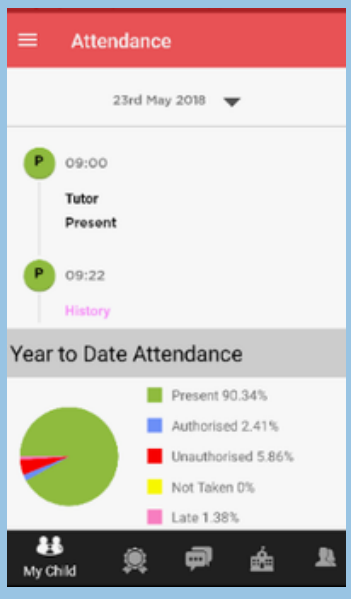
Please check back after lunchtime if you are still concerned your child has been given the incorrect attendance mark then please do email the team on:

attendanceinf@fpsmat.org (Nursery to Year 2) or

attendancejnr@fpsmat.org (Year 3 to Year 6).

The same applies for the Afternoon registration, please check in the next day if you have an attendance concern.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.



Can you help?

WHOLE SCHOOL

As you know we have our own Featherby Foodbank, supporting our families if they need it. Each half-term we provide dozens of care packages to Featherby families and will be doing so again in the Summer. In order to be able to do that, we need help.

Of course we would stress **only if you can** but if any of our families could pick up an extra box of cereal, an extra pack of pasta, rice, biscuits or noodles in their weekly shop at any point over the next couple of weeks and donate it (by dropping it to either office) we'd be so very grateful as we're running low on dried goods in the bank and we really want to support our families over the Summer holidays. Thank you

Medway Go Live activities 'goes live' for bookings on Monday @ 12noon

WHOLE SCHOOL SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMP @ FEATHERBY?

FANCY LASER TAG? YES PLEASE!

RECEPTION

Year R Vision & Hearing Checks

The School Nursing Team will be visiting Year R on Tuesday 7th July to do their Hearing and Vision Checks. We emailed a letter to parents yesterday but please do let us know in the office if you require more information about these National checks.

WHOLE SCHOOL

Couple of polite requests from the office

Our friendly admin team love to help but we are increasingly getting parents popping to the office througout the day with water bottles, lunch boxes, PE kits and chromebooks that got 'left in the car' and lots of other items needed for the children's school day. Please help us to help you by making sure they have everything before they leave the door/car - as staff running items around to the classes it taking valuable time that we need to be doing other things. Thank you.

Whilst we're on the subject, particularly at the Chilham Road gates, we are finding children are 'buzzing the bells' for no reason. We're sure you'll understand how that might disturb people who are working (bit like someone ringing on your doorbell at home for no reason) and so please help by discouraging children from buzzing. Thank you

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

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	Nursery Dress up Day (as an animal)
Fri 3rd July @ 3pm	Year 3 to Year 6 - Reading With parents session
Tues 7th July	NEW Reception Hearing & Vision checks With the School Nursing Team
Weds 8th July @ 10.30am	NEW Parrot Class rescheduled class assembly for parents
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)
Thurs 9th July (morning)	The Nest Sports/Games Day (parents invited to join us)
Thurs 9th July	Photo Exhibition @ 3.30pm in school
Fri 10th July 1.45pm-3pm	NEW Year 5 Greek Day celebration (parents invited)
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)
Tuesday 14th July @ 5pm	NEW Year 5 parents - Come and meet the Year 6 Team
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
Tuesday 21st July (11.30-1.30pM)	Nursery Parent & Child party and picnic
Tues 21st July 2026	Last day of Term 6 1.30pm finish
1.30pm on 21st July onwards	Summer Holidays for children starts
Tues 1st September	Staff Development Day
Weds 2nd - Fri 4th September	Home visits
Monday 7th September	First Day back to school for pupils

PARROT CLASS

BREAKING NEWS

NEWSFLASH: Rearranged Class Assembly for Parrot Class

As you know Parrot class assembly for parents was postponed due to the heat with extra numbers in the hall. We've rescheduled it and parents in Parrot class are invited to join us on Wednesday 8th July @ 10.30am. We hope to see you there!

Finch class playing 'pass the ice block' to help keep cool

Special Mentions

Makena B	Skylark	For showing great resilience in her assessments this week, taking active responsibility for her behaviour and working hard to make positive improvements. Well done, Makena. We are incredibly proud of you!
Lenny J	Jay	For showing aspiration in his assessments and his persuasive speech to Year 3 - Well done, you should be very proud!
Tinevimbo M	Dove	For demonstrating excellent bravery in her practise of public speaking and in the quality of her persuasive writing for our democracy work.
Zyra S	Toucan	For making such great progress in her learning this year and showing this in her excellent NFER test results. Well done!
Reggie M	Parrot	For, in general, showing an improvement in his focus and attitude to learning as well as his behaviour. Reggie is working very hard to not get distracted by others and to stay focused on achieving his best. Not an easy task and Reggie is progressing well in it. Keep it up Reggie!
King O	Macaw	For writing an amazing story, that had a key message of never giving up. Well done!
Maisie B-D	Flamingo	For being really motivated this week with all of her learning and trying her best with all her assessments. Well done Maisie!
Avnesh R	Ostrich	Excellent progress has been made across all subjects, especially in writing and maths. In particular, his presentation explaining why Hermes should be king of the gods was outstanding.
Emmanuella O	Emu	For being an inclusive leader during group work within lessons. You always ensure everyone in your team has a role to play, therefore producing great outcomes.
Eliza G	Falcon	For always displaying all of the school values. She has an excellent attitude to her learning and has been working hard on her writing skills. Well done Eliza!
Thea H-S	Hawk	For her exceptional improvements across the year - particularly in English and Maths. She has tried so hard to do her best in all lessons and has been an inspiration to the rest of her peers. Well done,Thea. You are a superstar!
Virtuous O	Eagle	for her bravery in taking on a major role in the school production. She has shown real confidence and commitment in preparing for it and she really is a natural performer. Well done Virtuous!

Roman	Robin	For trying hard in all subjects, particularly with his writing and for demonstrating all of the school values.
Freya	Puffin	For trying her best and showing resilience in our quizzes this week! Well done Freya!
Jackson	Finch	For his dedication to make right choices this week. Jackson has found it really hard in the heat but he has recognised when he is feeling angry and stopped himself from making wrong choices all week.
Isabelle	Barn Owl	For your improved attitude to learning and for showing more resilience this week. We are very proud of you.
Freya	Wren	for all of her hard work with her writing. She has shown great determination in using her sounds to write words and is becoming increasingly confident in forming sentences. Keep up the fantastic effort, Freya – we are so proud of your progress!
Joshua	Tawny Owl	For working so hard this week in all areas of his learning. Joshua has contributed some brilliant answers during our writing lessons and in maths. Well done, Joshua!
Lenny	Woodpecker	Making excellent choices this week and working incredibly hard. Well done superstar!
Varan	Snowy Owl	for showing lovely friendship to people in the class and always looking out for people, this kindness does not go unnoticed!
Frankie	Kingfisher	For showing fantastic resilience all week and working incredibly hard with our quizzes this week. Fantastic job!

Attendance Winners

Infants

Puffin = 94.55%

Juniors

Eagle = 97.33%

Times Tables Rock Stars

This week's results are:

Year 3 - Jay
Year 4 - Parrot
Year 5 - Flamingo
Year 6 - Eagle

Overall Winner this week is Parrot class well done!