

# Feering Newsletter

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Friday 2nd May 2025

Dear Parents

We have had a great first week and a half back at school and everyone seems to have settled into the summer term. With just one week to go before our Y6 are taking part in SATs, I want to take the opportunity to wish them all the very best of luck. They, with staff, have worked so hard in preparation for the four days and we are looking forward to celebrating with them with our outdoor lunch on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May. During the week Y6 children will all be invited for SATs breakfast to promote a sense of camaraderie, a relaxed start to their mornings and as a little thank you for their efforts.

Our Y2 children will also be showing their perseverance and determination, using the end of key stage materials to support teacher assessment. Although these tests are no longer statutory, we are using some of the materials to ensure that we target the right elements of that curriculum, inclusive of any little gaps, in preparation for their move into Key Stage 2. As these can now be undertaken a little later, Y2 will now be doing these in June alongside the rest of the school.

Our learning together sessions for the term will be linked to supporting “quick wins” with maths fluency and any other identified needs in the curriculum. Mrs Ship, our Trust maths lead, is working with staff to prepare for these sessions. We really hope you can attend as you will gain ideas to be able to support your child in being in the best place possible to start their next year

Kind regards

Bridgette Gough  
Headteacher

## House Names-The debate results are in!

Feering School Council have been tasked with the responsibility of updating our house names. It- was felt our house names were a little long and complex for younger members of the community to remember so after a long debate, with many ideas put forward, the council voted in favour or renaming our houses as follows;

**AIR**   **WATER**   **FIRE**   **EARTH**

We liked the link with our natural world and caring for the environment and we felt the new house names were easy to remember. The house colours will remain the same and children won't be moved from their current house. The only change will be getting used to chanting a new house name on sports' day this year!

Laila - School Council Member for Blackbird Class

## Pupil of the Week

<u>Class</u>	<u>25<sup>th</sup> April</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> May</u>
Hatchling -	Thomas	Rosie
Butterfly –	Arthur	Alice
Fennec Fox -	Whole Class	Florence
Snow Leopard –	Nicholas	Henry
Ostrich -	Alina	Emily
Blackbird -	Theo	Cameron

## Going for Green

Wk 1 - Florence Wk 2 - Tristian

## Sports Cup

Wk 1 – N/A Wk 2 – Fennec Foxes

Well done to you all!

## Birthdays in

### May

Ava	Violet
Coby	Arlo
Faye	Oscar
David	Stanley
Hetty	George
George	Oscar
Freddie	Cameron



## Marathon Reminder

The school marathon is just around the corner, taking place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May - we're crossing everything for some lovely weather! We're really looking forward to the afternoon's events, with a prompt start at 2:00pm to avoid the wait we had last year between finish and school pick up time. There will be the usual after event 'party' further details will follow. Our sponsorship forms will be sent out alongside this newsletter. Your support helps our PTA enhance what we can offer in school and they have a number of exciting projects in the pipeline that all donations will go towards bringing to fruition.

## Perrywoods' Funding – and thank you...

Perrywoods' have awarded the school £250 to improve the small allotment garden between Blackbird Class and Fennec Fox Class. We look forward to updating you in the coming weeks.

Gardening Club

## Reflection Area Theme: Woven Together

In the coming weeks, our Reflection Area will embrace the theme "Woven Together". This idea highlights how, when everyone feels noticed, valued, and able to flourish, something truly beautiful emerges. We want to celebrate the unique contributions each child brings to our school family, much like a vibrant tapestry.

As you can see here each child will have the opportunity to add a ribbon of their choice to our weaving frame, symbolising their individuality. The more ribbons we weave in, the more special and complete our creation becomes.



## Collective Worship Themes

Last week, our Collective Worship focused on the theme of generosity of spirit. We used a No Outsiders resource to discuss the sense of purpose that comes from being kind, illustrated beautifully by the story of a guide dog aiding its blind dog pal, bringing a renewed ability to get out and about and enjoy his much-loved walks again.

This week, we've been exploring what makes our belongings precious. A touching clip from *The Repair Shop* highlighted a leather baby shoe cherished by two generations of soldiers, emphasising the importance of emotional significance in deciding what things matter most to us. I also shared a rather tattered book, *The Jungle Child*, written in by my daughter before her travels and gifted to me before she left for Australia. We pondered the idea of not judging a book by its cover and whether we can truly understand what others hold dear at first glance. Our children consistently impress me with their thoughtful reflections and examples.

## Easter Service at All Saints Church

Thanks to everyone who attended our Easter Service at All Saints Church last week. It is an important occasion in the Christian calendar, symbolising new beginnings, particularly significant as we embark on the new term. It was good to see so many families supporting the children, who did a fabulous job and appreciated the opportunity to hone their public speaking skills. We also appreciate the efforts of all staff involved in preparing and organising the service.

## Eggciting Plans - Easter Enterprise Project Update

We are thrilled with the money raised during our Easter Enterprise afternoon. Collectively, we raised over £1200 towards improving the small garden area in between the hall and the school office, thank you for your support. Presently, it looks a little neglected and we are looking forward to transforming the area into a relaxing 'beach-haven.' We're going to spruce up the shed and benches and will add a new planting scheme of grasses and herbs as well as outdoor rugs, a water feature and even a piece of collaborative art (more information to follow!) We think the new garden will benefit everyone in our community and children will have the chance to read and relax in the area.



Out with the old!

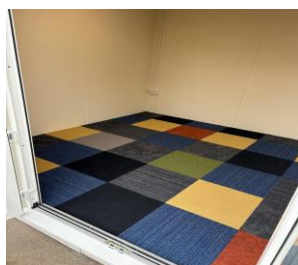


In with the new! (artist impression only!)

## The new "Rainbow Room" is officially in use!

We are thrilled to announce the completion of our brand new Thrive space, aptly named the Rainbow Room, thanks to its wonderfully colourful floor!

Thanks to the PTA's fantastic fundraising efforts and their unwavering commitment to perfecting every detail, we now have a calming and inviting area for our children to enjoy Thrive sessions. When not in use for Thrive, this versatile space will also facilitate various interventions. We believe this will become a much-loved resource within our school community. A special thank you to Hannah Midwinter for her management of the contractor liaison and to Colne Construction for executing the project with such dedication. We have added the before and after pictures showcasing this incredible transformation!



### **Beat the Street**

Feering children and parents enjoyed taking part in the Beat the Street scheme with an excellent overall score.

We placed 28th with 34,030 points out of 70 schools.

Thank you for getting involved, encouraging the children to keep active!

We will let you know if another scheme like this comes up.

### **Important Information – Chickenpox**

We want to reach out about the recent rise in chickenpox cases affecting not only our community but also the locality. It's essential for us to support ensuring everyone is informed. If you're pregnant and have not previously had chickenpox, please make sure inform your midwife or GP if you suspect any exposure. They will arrange for a blood test to check your immunity, which is crucial for you and your baby's health.

Additionally, keep in mind that shingles, caused by the same virus, poses a risk to those who have never had chickenpox, especially after close contact with a shingles case.

If your child contracts chickenpox, they should remain at home until all blisters have crusted over, which usually occurs within five days after the rash starts. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation in minimising the spread of the virus.

### **Stay Safe in the Sun!**

With the recent warm weather, it's important to keep our pupils safe while they enjoy outdoor activities. Remember to send your children to school with sun hats and apply sun cream at home before they leave—it's worth noting that there are long-lasting types now available, providing up to 8 hours of protection. This is particularly relevant for our EY pupils who may be using the outside space for their learning, giving them the ability to spend an extended amount of time outside.

As lunchtimes are spent outside and shade can be limited, please ensure your child has a water bottle to stay hydrated throughout the day. Keeping these tips in mind will help everyone make the most of the sunny weather while staying safe. Letting us enjoy the sunshine responsibly.