



Featherstone News

September 2025



Dates for your diary:

Staff training Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September - NURSERY CLOSED TO CHILDREN.

Wednesday 3rd - 5th September - Home visits for our new 2 year old children.

Thursday 11th September - Stay and Play (under 2s) every Thursday morning - 9:45 - 11:15am at OSBORNE NURSERY SCHOOL.

Wednesday 15th October - Angie's Animals will visit nursery!

In October - Playdough workshops, Road safety walks and parent/ carer child progress meetings. Details to follow.

Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October - HALF TERM

Friday 19th December 2025 - Last day of the Autumn term

Welcome to the Autumn term:

We would like to welcome all of our new families and welcome back out returning children too.

We're really excited about getting to know you all. You will be given a special book to fill with photos, drawings and stories all about your family. Your Key Worker will be ready and waiting to help your child settle in and answer any questions you may have.

Our topic is called 'Me and my Family!' We will be creating lots of lovely learning experiences for your child, looking at their strengths and areas to develop.



Cool Kittens at Featherstone Nursery. Attendance is very important at Nursery. We like to see you for all of your sessions each week. We like families to aim for attendance to be between 95 and 100%.

We monitor attendance and congratulate the Key Worker group with the best attendance each week.

Tapestry:

Those of you that are familiar with Tapestry, please continue to check for updates and photographs.

If you are new to nursery your child's Key Worker will provide instructions to help you to access Tapestry.

Communication:

Remember to telephone us on 0121 675 3408 if your child is too ill to be at nursery.

Please check that details we have for you are correct. Let us know straight away if you have moved house or changed your phone number. Please note - we are a cashless school. All payments need to be made via 'Parent Pay'. If you have any problems accessing this, please speak to Rachel or Rebecca.

Rights Respecting Schools Award (RRSA)

This year we will be working towards reaccrediting our Rights Respecting Award. All staff have now had training about this wonderful initiative. Look out for Tapestry posts about different activities the children have been part of.

Terry the Tiger will soon make an appearance and help the children to learn about their rights.



All children have rights, no matter who they are, where they live, what language they speak, what their religion is, what they think, what they look like, if they are a boy or girl, if they have a disability, if they are rich or poor, and no matter who their parents or families are or what their parents or families believe or do. No child should be treated unfairly for any reason.

Internet Safety: We need to keep our children safe and help them to understand how to play games, use the internet and different devices safely. Each month we will look at a 'top tip' to help with internet safety at home.



PADLOCK

Set strong passwords and set up passcode locks on all of your devices. Change these passwords regularly. Never share passwords with anyone!

Startwell: At Featherstone Nursery School, we're proud to be part of Birmingham's Startwell programme. Startwell is a city-wide initiative designed to help families give their children the best possible start in life.

Healthy Choices: Startwell gives practical advice and support to help you make healthy choices for your child, including ideas for nutritious meals and fun ways to be active.

Active Lifestyles: We share tips and resources to encourage children to move more every day, both at nursery and at home.

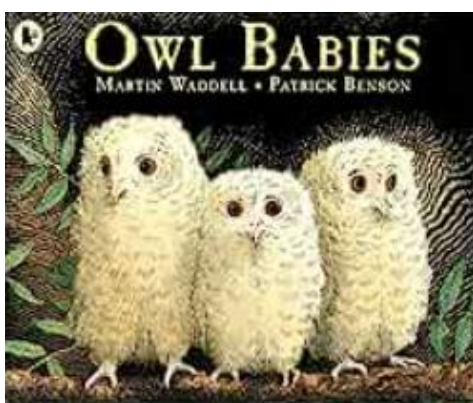
Wellbeing Support: Startwell supports your child's emotional wellbeing, helping them to feel safe, confident, and ready to learn.

Involving Families: We work together with parents and carers, offering workshops and information to help you support your child's healthy development.

Look out on Tapestry for more information.



Recommended reading this month:



A gentle tale of three baby owls reassures young children that Mummy will always come home.

Enjoy reading this story together. Talk about the characters and their feelings. Can you relate this to your home?!

Library books will be sent home during the next few weeks. We hope that you will enjoy reading them together.

Getting ready for Nursery!

When your child comes to Nursery please send them with a change of clothes and spare underwear/nappies. You can also send wipes if they are needed. Please place all items in a small bag and name everything! Remember we use our outdoor area in sunny weather but also cold and wet weather too. Please supply a suitable coats and footwear for the weather conditions. Please write your child's NAME in their coats and other clothing.



Key Workers will let you know Forest School sessions will be starting.