

Featherstone Primary

School

Weekly School Newsletter



6th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back

A warm welcome to all our parents and particularly to the new families who have joined us this year. We hope that the start of this journey is an exciting one and during your child's education at Featherstone Primary School, they go from strength to strength.

Weekly Parent Updates

Just a reminder that every week, we send, by email, weekly snapshots of what learning has taken place in class. These will be sent every Friday to show you what the children are doing in their English, Maths and Topic learning. The aim of this is to share current learning so that you are also able to support and extend your child's learning at home. Next week, we will also be sending across the curriculum coverage to give you a wider picture of what is being covered across the academic year.

Mental Health Support - Place2Be

We are proud to continue working with Place2Be, our brilliant mental health and emotional wellbeing charity, who operate on-site five days a week. Place2Be offer two main services for children: (i) self-referral drop-in services for children, who can go and chat to Miss Hayley Lake (our Mental Health Leader) about anything that's on their mind; (ii) clinical counselling for those children who are identified as maybe benefitting from it. Hayley is on the school door every morning – pop by and say hi or email her on hayley.lake@place2be.org.uk



Attendance and Punctuality

We take attendance and punctuality very seriously at Featherstone Primary School because children who are on-time for school and attend regularly, will do much better and be much happier than children who are not. We will be continuing with the Attendance Shop to celebrate good attendance. However, if we have concerns about your children's attendance, we will be in touch with you to discuss our worries. There are weekly attendance updates for parents too.

Accidents in School and Reporting to Parents

From time-to-time children have accidents in school, these can be in the playground or in classrooms. Following any first aid incidents to ensure that parents are kept informed we use an electronic emailing system called Evolve that allows for us to report any accidents/incidents and first aid given to your child directly to you via email.

This approach will tell you the cause of the accident, time, place and what first-aid treatment were administered.

How will parents be informed? We will be using your email addresses from our school records that we already have on our system. Please ensure your contact details are up-to-date and that you check your emails daily.

What if school does phone me? As per existing practice, we will continue to telephone for any head injuries or illnesses.

If you have any queries, please ask to speak to our school's Medical Co-ordinator (Mrs Blair) or Miss Beach.

Parking

Many schools experience traffic related issues at the start and end of the school day. Birmingham City Council has introduced Car Free School Streets to address these issues by restricting traffic in the streets surrounding some schools at drop off and pick up times.

Featherstone Primary School is part of this scheme. This will reduce congestion and improve air quality at the school gates as well as making it easier and safer to walk or cycle to school.

The following restrictions will be in place:

WHERE: Glenville Drive and Haywards Close, Erdington, Birmingham, B23.	
<u>Times:</u>	
Mornings	Monday to Friday: Closure from: 08:15 to: 9.15
Afternoons	Monday to Friday: Closure from: 2.45 to: 3.45

During these times, most vehicles will not be able to drive into the road(s) covered by this restriction. Signage will be in place at the entrance(s) to the restricted zone.

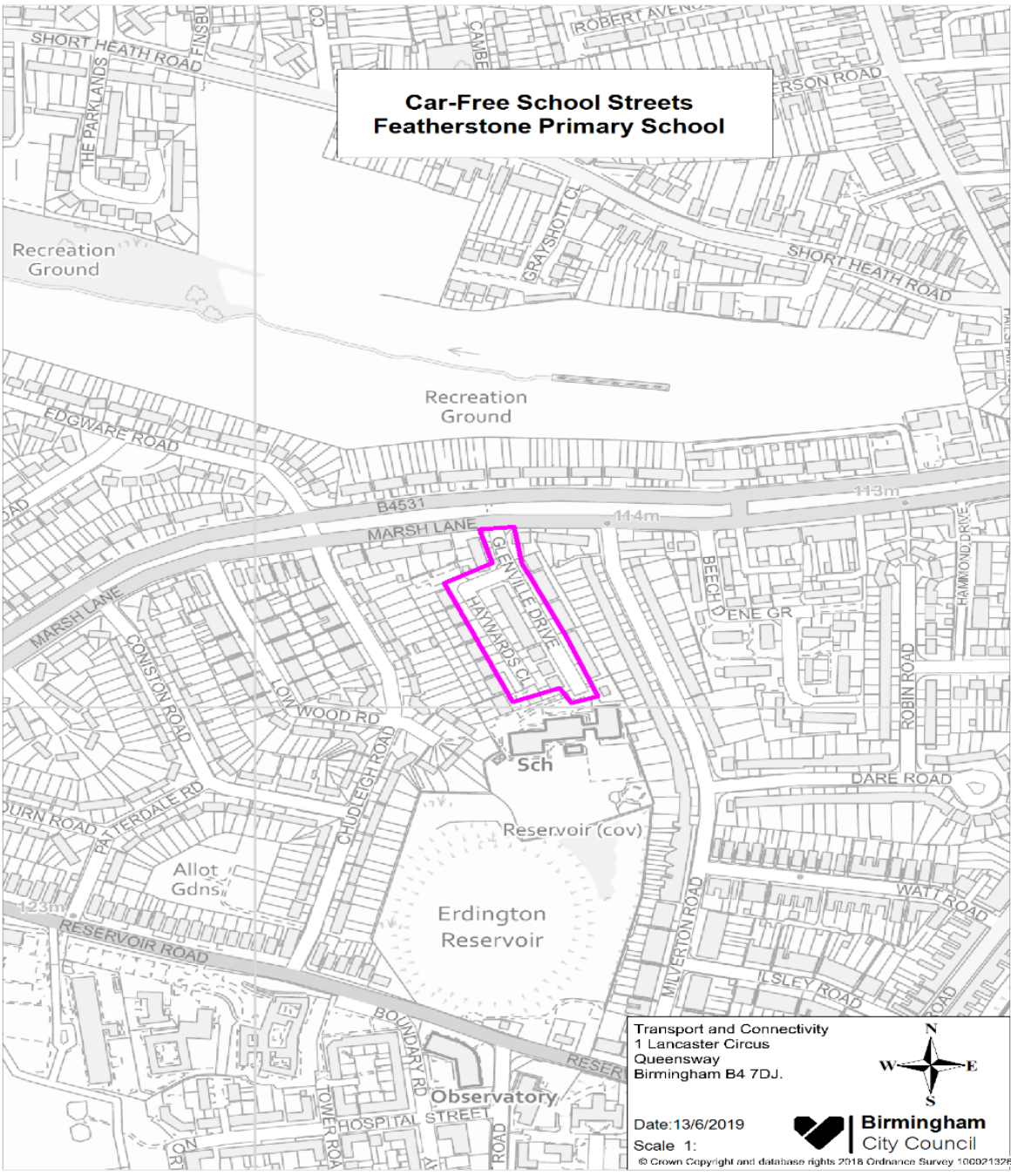
There will be some exemptions that will permit traffic to use these roads at these times, including residents, blue badge holders and emergency services.

Anyone driving in the restricted zone at these times without a valid permit or exemption can be issued with a **Fixed Penalty Notice charge of £60. This is issued by the Police.**

For those parents/carers travelling from further away we would ask that you park a short distance away from the school in the adjacent side roads (e.g. Low Wood Road, Chudleigh Road, Milverton Road, Beach Dene Grove) and walk the last part of your journey.

On the last page is a map outlining the road where the restriction will apply and surrounding roads where you are able to park.

**Car-Free School Streets
Featherstone Primary School**



Transport and Connectivity
1 Lancaster Circus
Queensway
Birmingham B4 7DJ.



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Diary Dates

Autumn Term	
17.09.24	School Photographs (Individual Photographs)
16.10.24	September 2024 intake - Open Day 09.30am / 1.30pm
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22.10.24	Parents Evening Times 3.50 to 6.00 (appointments)
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25.10.24	Year 5 parent showcase 9:15
06.11.24	Diwali Dinner for Children
11.12.24	Christmas Dinner for Children
20.12.24	Attendance Shop
20.12.24	End of term

Have a nice weekend

Mr E Gaibee
Headteacher