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# Featherstone High School

Founding Member of the Grand Union MAT



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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Re: General Update

It is astonishing to think we are just a week from the Easter break. Time clearly does fly when you are having a good time. It has been a term in which the school has pressed on doing what it does best – providing a first-class education for all of our pupils both inside and outside the classroom.

I continue to be very impressed by the politeness and efforts of your children who give themselves the best opportunities of success by maintaining these virtues. I am grateful too for all the messages about the importance of education that you are clearly sharing in your homes.

In the last couple of weeks, the opportunities have kept coming. We had the Globe Players Theatre group in school to present Macbeth to the Year 10 English students; we saw a visit of Year 12s to the Green Quarter in Southall, and the Science department arranged a science show for the pupils at St Mary's CofE Primary with the help of their A Level pupils last Friday.

This week the Year 9 French students had the experience of watching a very amusing and entertaining French play in the School Hall which really helped them with their appreciation of French in context. This was a similar format to the Spanish play earlier in the term.

Also, this week, we had the Year 8 parents' evening. It was excellent to see the 100% engagement of parents and staff as I walked around the school. Working in partnership is the key to giving all our pupils and your children the very best start in life.

Today, we have been filming a new promotional video for the school which will give visitors to our website a real insight into what is going on at Featherstone High School, and it will also provide you with a new insight into the school.

You might like to know that I attended a meeting of Ealing Headteachers on Wednesday. Whenever I tell them that I am the Headteacher of Featherstone High School, they always tell me what a wonderful school they know it to be. This happens time and time again!

Let me also take this opportunity to say Ramadan Mubarak to all our Muslim staff, pupils and families.

Over Easter, there will be some work carried out to the school premises. One of these tasks will be the improving of the wall on the side and front of the Sixth form. We are also taking this opportunity to take down the large Outstanding sign and put up a wheel of our school values. Do not worry! This is not a judgement on the school and the other signs saying we are Outstanding will remain. It is more the fact that our values tell us even more about our outstanding school than a single word and you can be assured that we will carry on being outstanding day after day.

As ever, while things are going well overall, we do not forget that this may not be the case for everyone. If there is anyone who is struggling or is unsure about something, please do contact us. We are all in this together for the benefit of all the children. We want to make sure that we do our best to help in any way that we can.



One week to go - let us together make it a brilliant week for all the students.

Thank you for your unstinting support.

Have a great weekend with your families.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Walters', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr N. Walters  
Headteacher