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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: End of the school year

As we come to the end of another school year, we can start the summer break knowing that together we have achieved some great things. This morning, we had our final rewards assemblies for each year group to celebrate their achievement over the year. This gave us a chance to reflect on all the positive achievements of the year.

There will always be room for improvement but when I reflect on the past 12 months, I am incredibly proud of the students and all that they have contributed and achieved. The staff have again gone above and beyond and shown the level of care and desire that I know is key for a school doing a great job. As parents, you have stepped up time and again and delivered for your children and for the school. The children are watching and learning from how you and we react to every situation. This is one of the keys to them developing balance, character, resilience and a set of skills that will ensure that they navigate life happily and successfully. Finally, we have an excellent group of governors and trustees who work tirelessly behind the scenes to help us on our journey of doing our very best for every child in our care.

Our enrichment programme across the school has been a great success with a focus on opportunity, careers and character development. We have had not only a record number of external speakers but also a most diverse set of visitors who have helped with presentations, interviews and inspiring assemblies. We have had a huge number of students who have been on trips in this country and abroad; taken part in extracurricular activities; represented the school in sport; taken part in DofE and performed on stage in the many shows and performances.

GCSE and A Level Results

The A Level and AS Level results come out on Thursday 15th August and the GCSE results come out the following week on Thursday 22nd August. Details have been sent out to the exam year groups. We are looking forward to celebrating with the Year 11 and 13 students who we know will achieve great things.

Results are crucial, experiences are vital, but the happiness of the school allows people to flourish and leads to the first two elements to be achieved. I am delighted that as we come to the end of another school year, I can still say that Featherstone is a happy school. It is a place where relations are good, where our values are lived out and where staff and students can feel comfortable.

Uniform Expectations

As we prepare for the new school year, I would like to remind parents of our high expectations regarding uniform.

On returning to school in September it is expected that all students will return on time and with full and correct uniform. Please take the opportunity, of the summer holiday, to ensure your child is fully equipped to return to us with all items of clothing, including appropriate shoes, blazer, tie, trousers/skirt and shirt. Failure to attend with the correct uniform on the first day back will result in your child being sent home.

Please note that school shoes are identifiable by the fact they can be polished. Therefore, soft shoes do not count as school shoes.

Finally, coats should be blue or black, plain, and without excessive fur or large brand symbols.

Happy Holidays

























It is time for us all to take a break, recharge and come back ready for another year. I hope that you and your families have a great summer filled with peace and the chance to rest. I will look forward to seeing you in the new academic year. Thank you for your continued support. Your unstinting support allows us to achieve more and to do better things for the students in our care. It really is a case of "Together we Achieve."

Mr N. Walters Headteacher