

"Together we can"

## Fakenham Primary Federation

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Be the best YOU can be

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Over the last couple of weeks, we have managed to have all three sports days across both schools, on the days and times we planned them – I think we have been very lucky! Every event was wonderful, thank you for your amazing support for the children and for making the events so enjoyable.

On Wednesday, we had a very successful Transition Day across the schools. Thank you to the staff who stepped in to cover classes for our absent staff on the day. We are hoping to be able to sort an afternoon before the end of term, for those classes to be able to spend with their new teacher. The Y6s seemed to come back from Fakenham Academy having had a successful time, hopefully the few at Alderman Peel will be similar on Monday.

This year, the staff at FINS have worked incredibly hard to refocus efforts on the teaching and learning of phonics. Refreshed training and work with the Wensum English Hub has been intense but has paid dividends. This year 77% of our Y1 children have attained the expected standard in the phonics screening check – up from 60% last year. Also, I am pleased to say 95% of the Y2s have now 'passed' the check in either Y1 last year or Y2 this year. I am very proud of the staff and pupils for their hard work. Thank you, to you as parents too, who have practiced lots at home. We will continue this work and aim to be even higher next year – talk to us about how you can help your child.

As we head into the last two weeks, the Y2s are getting ready for their leaving assemblies and the Y6s for their leavers' performance – I look forward to seeing the children and many of you, at the events. FINS parents have reports coming out soon and FJS parents have their final Learning Review of the year (open classroom for yr6). Please remember that we finish at 1:10pm at FJS and 1:20pm at FINS on Friday 19th July. <u>There is no After School Club on that day</u>.

Please ensure you have checked the term dates for next year, they are on our website and we have attached a copy with this email. Some of the dates are different to other local primary schools and Fakenham Academy and Alderman Peel.

Have a good weekend,

Adam Mason

