



THE BULLETIN



Weekly update from Feniscowles Primary School
Friday 23rd May 2025

Happy Half Term

We would like to wish all of our children, families, staff and governors a very happy May half term! Once we come back after the holiday, we enter one of the very busiest times of year. We have lots of exciting things planned for the final half term ahead! School re-opens on Monday 2nd June.

Whole School Picnic

It was very lovely to be able to make the most of the nice weather and dry ground this week for our whole-school picnic day! This gave us an opportunity to all eat together; allowing siblings and other relatives from different buildings to enjoy a lunch time in each others' company (when the logistics of a split-site school sometimes prevent this). It was a very lovely experience!

A big thank you goes to all involved who helped to make this happen:

- Our school council for thinking of the idea
- Mrs Evans for leading the school council and supporting with the wider logistics
- Our kitchen staff for serving up all packed lunches at the same time on the same day! (No easy task)
- To our teachers and teaching assistants who gave up some of their own lunch break to help staff the event and make sure everything ran smoothly!

Curriculum Consultancy Work: Maths and English

We recently spoke to some pupils about their learning of Arithmetic. We wanted to hear what the children thought of their lessons and how they would like them to be made 'even better'. The children said they wanted more "fun" elements. (Though we have to say, it's sometimes tricky to make long division fun!) hehe. With this in mind, Miss Shaw (our head of maths) has been working with Anthony Reddy (a local maths consultant) to make tweaks to our arithmetic curriculum ready for next year.

In addition to this work, Miss Cooper (Our head of English) has also been working with Dawn Robertson (an English Consultant) to improve our home-reading offer and reading lessons.

School Trips

Our recent parent survey highlighted quite a stark difference in parental mindsets towards school trips: some families asking for more school trips and others asking for less due to cost implications. This is a tricky concept for us to balance as a school as we want to give children great experiences without putting extra financial pressure on families. Trips to free places can have also have higher cost implications because of the travel arrangements needed to take children there. School always works hard to secure the best value-for-money options and we will always try to support families facing financial hardship - just ask. We thought this point from the survey in particular was important to share with you to give you some extra context on why we do the number of trips that we do.

Debate Team News

Our school debate team have their final two matches of the season approaching! We have a re-scheduled away-match against St Thomas' on Thursday 5^h June and a home-match against The Olive School the following week on Friday 13th June. Please could the debate team make sure both debates are fully completed over half term. Try to learn as many key-lines as possible too in order to help make eye-contact with your audience!

Feniscowles Summer Concert Tuesday 10th June 5.30 - 7.00 pm Junior Building

We think it's important to celebrate lots of different areas of our curriculum! So far this year, we've had an art gallery; drama performances and now it's the turn for our musicians! We are inviting all children who take part in music lessons, choir and band to perform at the Feniscowles Summer Concert. This year's annual concert will take place on Tuesday 10th June 2025 in the Junior building. The concert will begin at 5:30pm and will run until approximately 7pm. Full details has been previously sent out via email on 8th May.

Pit Stop - Change of Building Tuesday 10th June

On Tuesday 10th June the Summer Music Concert will be happening in the Junior Hall, after school, and in to the evening so we will move the Pit Stop to the Infant Building. On that day, please collect your child from Pit Stop from the Infant Office Reception. If you need childcare for children who are attending the summer concert, please book them onto the 5pm session and we will ensure that they are taken over to the Juniors for the concert. Thank you for your understanding.

Key Dates



26.05.25 - 30.05.25 - School closed for Mid Term Holiday

10.06.25 - Summer Concert- Junior Building

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Attendance

EYFS	95.08%
Year 1	93.56%
Year 2	94.72%
Year 3	94.67%
Year 4	93.77%
Year 5	96.07%
Year 6	93.56%

Congratulations to all the children who are in:

STAR

You are this week's winners!

 Arches	 Eclipse	 Moon	 Star	 Sun
105	122	113	135	129