

Fairview Prospectus |



"The way we learn is fun. I like everything about this school!"

- Pupil, Year 3

Welcome

Fairview Community Primary School is a values-based learning community, committed to the education of the whole child. We strive to achieve high academic standards for all children and believe this is best achieved through teaching that is engaging, innovative and personalised to individual needs.

We are proud of our inclusive and caring school. We aim to develop values and learning dispositions with the children that will prepare them for an exciting future. Our children are enthusiastic, motivated, independent learners that are well-rounded and happy.

We have a dedicated team that strives for the very best in everything we do. We pride ourselves on providing the highest quality learning experiences. Education is a partnership between home and school, and parents are active partners and valued highly.

Karin Tillett, Headteacher





"We are very grateful for all the opportunities that the school provides. Staff have the children's best interests at heart - nothing is ever too much trouble."
- Fairview Parent

Our Values

At Fairview, our school values underpin everything we do and are core to the ethos of our school. Our aim is to develop a community of **creative** and **responsible** learners who not only demonstrate **collaboration** and **perseverance** in their work, but who also show **kindness**, and **respect** towards one another.



We work together with parents and carers to provide positive role models that support children's learning and social development. All our staff know the children very well and develop a culture where children feel safe and are confident to take risks.

We have high expectations for all and plan learning contexts that enable all learners to feel respected and challenged. Our learning is planned to support the development of good social relationships through shared activities, peer tutoring, cooperative learning, and acknowledging the accomplishments and cultures of all learners.



Children are at the centre of all that we do and take an active role in the day-to-day leadership and organisation of the school. By developing confidence and a deep understanding of our values, children can skilfully support each other through collaboration.

Children feel emotionally and physically safe at Fairview because of our clear commitment to the values that underpin effective and enabling relationships.

Our children enjoy outstanding learning environments.















At Fairview we celebrate Diversity!



What is your heritage?

One school, many cultures!

Protected Characteristics

It is against the law to discriminate against these 9 characteristics



Fairview Community Primary School is committed to being a safe and welcoming place, showing support and solidarity for all, staff, students and visitors, inline with the Equality Act protected characteristics.

Learning together

At Fairview, we have highly committed staff, who see themselves as learners too. We provide the best quality teaching for every child in every class, every day.



"The school provides a broad and ambitious curriculum. Pupils enjoy learning because teachers make lessons interesting and fun."
- Ofsted 2024

We believe children learn best when they are immersed in meaningful learning opportunities, which extend their natural curiosity and inspire creativity thinking. We work together to ensure that children develop into effective and enthusiastic learners with the skills, attitudes and dispositions that are vital for future growth and success.

All classrooms are dialogic, where discussion supports children's thinking; encouraging and supporting children to think deeply, ask questions, develop resilience, justify opinions and reason logically. We believe that all children should achieve highly.

Learning in the classroom, displays and in books is of a high quality. Teachers are focused on ensuring that all children secure the skills that are necessary for learners to achieve and develop into confident individuals. We are committed to ensuring that our children are equipped with the skills needed for the next stage of their education.





INTRODUCING...Our School Dog Lenny

Here to help with:

- Anxiety reduction
- Communication and social anxieties
- Attachment and relationship building
- Stress coping strategies
- Attention and behavioural difficulties
- Desensitisation and problem solving
- Social interaction and relationships







My training day with The Dog Mentor







The Dog Mentor programme has built upon the benefits of the human-animal bond by providing children positive experiences with dogs that can help them educationally, developmentally, emotionally and socially.

Studies have found that children with companion animals have higher self-esteem, greater empathy, more engagement with peers and other prosocial behaviour.

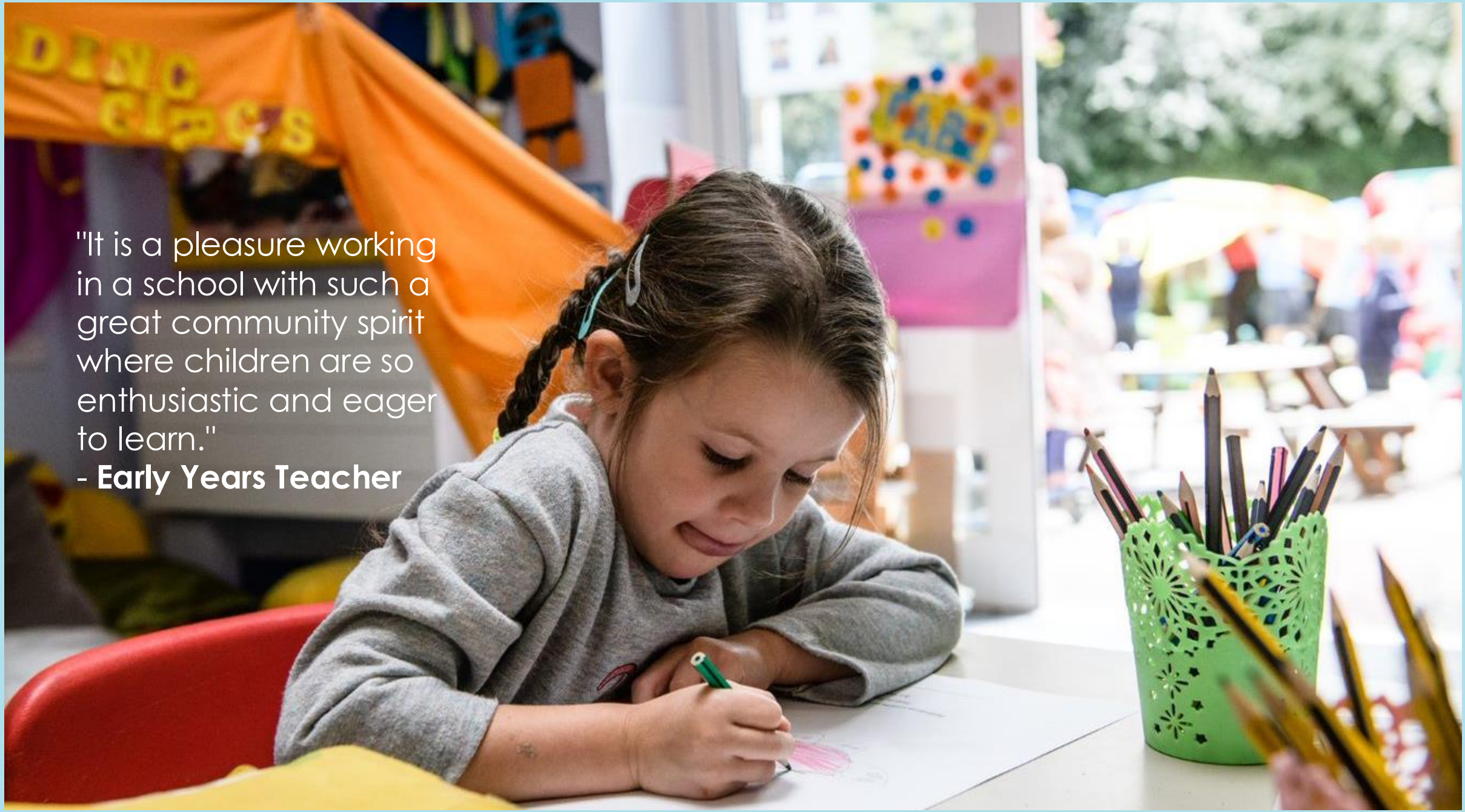




When I was a puppy



THE DOG MENTOR
BUILDING CHARACTERS


"It is a pleasure working in a school with such a great community spirit where children are so enthusiastic and eager to learn."
- **Early Years Teacher**

Learning for all



Fairview is an inclusive school, meeting the needs of a diverse range of learners. We are committed to removing barriers that might otherwise prevent a child from flourishing.

We recognise that some children and their families face personal challenges and have a dedicated team of staff to support their learning; we work closely with external specialists and are committed to providing additional learning support that is precise and planned to support children with their specific learning needs. At Fairview, we foster inclusive learning environments where all children can engage in shared experiences, dialogue, practical tasks and enquiry-based learning; making learning an active and exciting process where questioning and independent thinking skills are positively encouraged.

Our Inclusion team includes a Learning Mentor, Family Support Manager and Specialist Dyslexia & Speech and Language Teaching Assistants. We also have a Sensory Circuits room and a fully equipped Sensory Room. We work alongside a fully trained Counsellor and a Specialist Dyslexia teacher.





"The school makes determined efforts for all pupils, including those who are disadvantaged, to get the most out of their time at school. Consequently, pupils achieve well."
- Ofsted 2024




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Exploring the world outside

We are committed to learning outside of the classroom. Our beautiful grounds and outdoor spaces provide children with opportunities to interact with and learn in engaging environments.

Our children learn to work collaboratively, take responsibility, risk assess and be safe, explore new challenges, apply learning in new and challenging contexts and develop resilience. Our outdoor provision includes our EYFS outdoor provision, dedicated growing spaces and our thriving onsite forest school. We also view the internet as part of the wider world and support children in developing skills for safe and effective use of digital technologies.

Forest School

Forest School is an inspirational process, that offers all learners opportunities to achieve and develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning experiences in a woodland or natural environment. All activities have been risk assessed we have a specialist teacher who has been fully trained to run Forest School.

It is a great place for bonding with classmates, sharing new experiences, being creative and great for Physical Development, Personal, Social and Emotional Development and a place to explore and care for our environment.

Throughout this academic year, all our children, from nursery to year 6, will take part in Forest School sessions.

















"Forest school is an amazing opportunity for children to ignite their curiosity and develop life skills in a safe, yet exciting environment."
- **Mrs Donovan, Forest School specialist teacher.**

Performing Arts

At Fairview, performing arts is a wonderful opportunity for children to discover their talents, express themselves and grow in confidence. Through music, dance, drama and performance, children are encouraged to be creative, take risks, work collaboratively and develop essential skills such as communication, resilience and self-belief.



Our performing arts lessons provide a supportive and inclusive environment where every child can shine, try something new and celebrate their individuality. Whether performing on stage, learning a new skill or working together as part of a team, children develop a lifelong enjoyment of the performing arts and the confidence to be themselves.





"My goal is to create a fun, inclusive, and supportive environment where every child feels comfortable expressing themselves and discovering their own strengths, whether they love being in the spotlight or prefer to grow their confidence step by step."
Miss Black, specialist Performing Arts Teacher.


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Sport at Fairview

At Fairview children participate in at least 2 sports lessons a week, ranging from gymnastics, hockey, Quidditch, dancing to name but a few.

We are incredibly fortunate to have a specialist PE teacher, Mrs Saputo, who solely teaches sport.

From year 3 upwards, children engage in swimming lessons at Medway Park.

Our children compete in Sports Festivals, Mini Youth Games and Mini Leagues for hockey, football and cross-country racing. Every child takes part in the 'Fairview Mile' run once a week. We also link with local community clubs to provide specialist coaching during lunch and in after school clubs.

We celebrate sport at the end of the year with our parents at a whole school sports day and picnic.











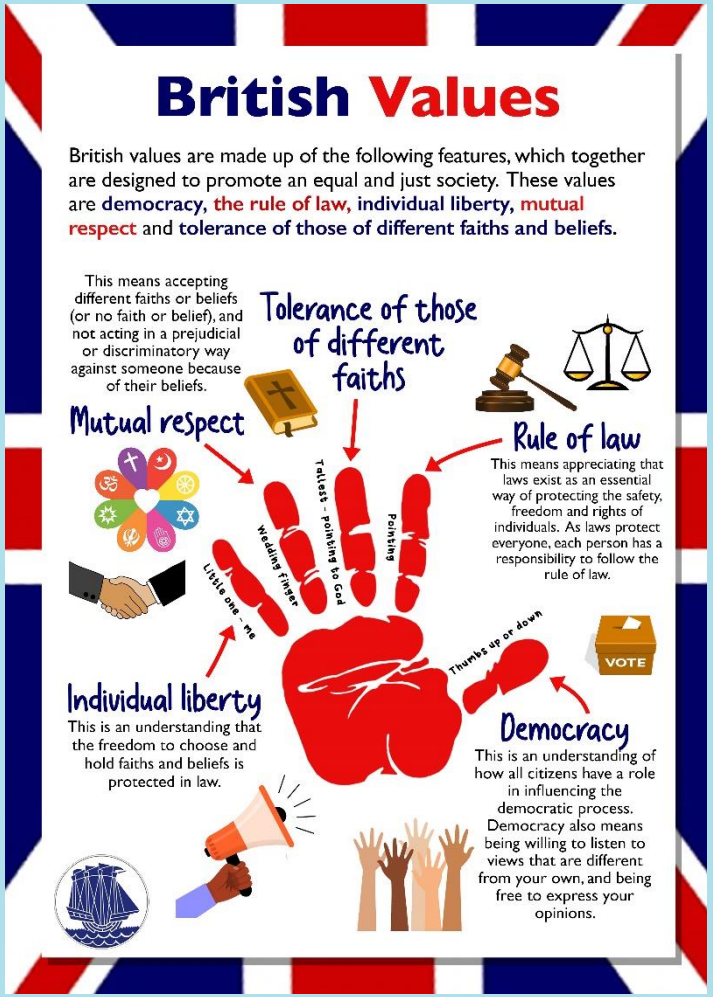
Confident citizens

We recognise and nurture the strengths our community brings to the school, celebrating and valuing the rich cultural heritage of our families and the unique contributions of individuals from all experiences, cultures and backgrounds.

Through local and international partnerships, we provide extensive opportunities for children to develop an understanding of their local community as well as the wider international community we are part of. In doing this, we aim to develop confident and responsible citizens who share responsibility for developing a sustainable world built on justice and mutual respect.



"Fairview teachers are nurturing, caring and passionate about the children. My daughter loves coming to school and is making amazing progress." **- Parent**











Educational visits

Each year group takes part in topical workshops, and we also take the children on educational visits. Previous trips last year included visiting the Imperial War Museum, The Historic Dockyard – Chatham, Wingham Wildlife Park, Sevenoaks Wildlife Reserve, Leeds Castle, Wildwood & Kent Life.

Our year 6 children can attend an adventure residential week at one of the PGL resorts, where they get the opportunity to take part in a vast selection of activities. It is an excellent opportunity for the children to develop their confidence and self-reliance in preparation for their transfer to secondary school, as well as to set themselves targets and achieve personal challenges.

Do you need advice or Support for your family?

We're here to help!

Services our Family Support Manager can help with

Medway Family Solutions -preventative early intervention support with group intervention, parenting programs and / or 1:1 support to children and young people from pre- birth - 19 and their families.

Medway Food Bank - Emergency food packages to support people in crisis.

TOaST (Therapeutic Outreach and Support Team) - A new pilot team to support children and young people aged 5 to 25 displaying emotional and behavioural distress, but who do not meet the criteria for other support.

Family Action - Small Steps - support and advice for families whose children are either pre or post diagnosis of Autism and/or ADHD.

Gillingham Street Angels - Supporting and helping the homeless and anyone in need, no matter the reason.

One Stop Shop - Sunlight Centre Gillingham. Domestic Abuse One Stop Shops offer free advice, information and support from a range of agencies.

DWP - 2 allocated workers within Medway who can support parents within school to ensure they are accessing all relevant benefits.

Oasis domestic abuse services - A charity that helps adults, children and young people to build a safe, positive future free from home.

Young Carers - A project to support young people aged 5-18 who are in a caring role.

Medway Housing Service - Kent Home Choice

Our Family Support Manager also offers Support in School with:

- **Second hand uniform**
- **Phone calls and appointments**
- **Paperwork and form filling**
- **Support around children's attendance**
- **Behaviour and parenting advice**
- **Signposting to services for additional support**
- **1-1 Emotional well being work with children**
- **Working closely with the SEN Team**
- **Parent Workshops**

For more information please contact Danielle Hind (FSM) by email: office@fairviewprimary.medway.sch.uk

