

# FAIRVIEW COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## HEADTEACHERS MESSAGE

As Term 1 draws to a close, it's been a pleasure to see how well the children have settled into their new classes and routines. Their hard work, positive attitudes, and commitment to our school values have been evident throughout the term. Staff across the school have been impressed by the children's focus and enthusiasm for learning.

Thank you to everyone who attended Parents' Evening. We hope you found it valuable in understanding how your child has settled into their new year group and what their next steps are in their learning journey. We also hope you enjoyed the opportunity to look through your child's books with them—there's so much to celebrate!

You may have noticed a strong focus on reading this term, both at home and in school. We are grateful for your continued support in this area. We encourage all children to read at least four times a week, and this includes being read to—bedtime stories are still a firm favourite! Each recorded read in their Reading Record earns a raffle ticket, giving them a chance to win a £10 Smyths voucher—a fun incentive to keep the reading momentum going.

This term has also been rich with wider curriculum opportunities and community events. Children have taken part in charitable activities such as our Macmillan Coffee Morning and Harvest celebrations—thank you for your generosity and support.

Highlights from across the school include:

- Year R/1/2 enjoying a ride on a double-decker bus
- Year 1 welcoming a visit from South Eastern trains
- Years 3 and 4 exploring virtual reality in exciting workshops
- Years 5 and 6 competing in Mini Youth Games (MYG) in PE
- A whole-school creative experience with a visiting artist during the Big Draw
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Pupil leadership opportunities have also flourished. Each class has elected their Junior Leadership Team (JLT) and Eco-Squad representatives, and our Sports Captains are already making a positive impact. A special thank you to the children who are supporting Mrs Nutley at lunchtime by helping younger pupils—your leadership is making a real difference.

Behind the scenes, our Governor Committees have begun their work, with both the Quality of Education and Resources Committees actively supporting and challenging our educational and financial priorities for the year.

It's been a busy but successful term, and we're excited for all the magic that Term 2 will bring!

## WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

The whole school attendance target is 96% set by the Department for Education. Our attendance for the year, so far, is 96.76%.

Please report all absences via Parentmail. If we do not receive a reason for absence, we will call you to find out why your child is not in school, following this up with a Parentmail.

Remember to be honest when reporting absences, children do tend to tell us where they are going and it's lovely that we can share their excitement.

## CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Celebration assembly takes place every Friday morning at 9am. During this assembly each class celebrates that week's 'star'. Parents of these child are invited to attend and these invites are sent to parents, via parentmail, on the Friday before the assembly. We will no longer be chasing non-attendees on the morning of the assembly, the children will still be awarded their certificate in parents' absence.

## SNACKS

Snacks and lunches should be as healthy as possible, remembering we are a nut free school.

Please can we remind parents that snacks such as grapes and cherries do pose a choking risk. We would advise parents to please ensure anything that could lodge in a child's throat is cut in half and any fruit stones removed.



## KEY DATES & EVENTS

Last week these were sent to you on Parentmail, we will send these dates termly so. They can at times be subject to change.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

We love sharing the children's (and parent's) achievements outside of school, if there is anything you'd like us to share please send it to [office@fairviewprimary.medway.sch.uk](mailto:office@fairviewprimary.medway.sch.uk)

Blakeley and Imogen from Otters danced in the Disney parade at Disneyland Paris.





Caterpillars	Jacob & Amarlia
Ladybirds	Hendrix
Bumblebees	Jessey
Dragonflies	Evie
Robins	Nathan
Doves	Rosie
Kingfishers	Isla
Lions	Maisie
Leopards	Blimi
Tigers	Riley
Wolves	Isabella S
Hedgehogs	Valentina
Foxes	Jack D
Turtles	Ellie J
Otters	Isla G
Dolphins	Evie-Rose
Hawks	Sienna
Ravens	Niamh
Owls	Ella
Elephants	Jimmy
Zebras	Lottie
Crocodiles	Carried over



## READING RAFFLE WINNERS

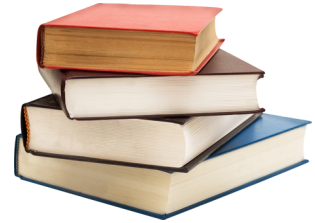
This weeks reading raffle winners are:

EYFS - Halle (Bumblebees)

KS1 - Elliot (Doves)

LKS2 - Chloe (Hedgehogs)

UKS2 - Matthew (Hawks)



These children have read at least 4 times this week which gave them a ticket into the draw, each winning a £10 Smyths voucher.