Weekly Newsletter

Week commencing - 26th October 2026

Headteachers message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of our first term, I wanted to take the opportunity to reflect on what has been a very busy and positive start to the new school year. It has been lovely to see the children settle back into school life and there has already been so much happening across the school.

Pupils

The children have settled brilliantly into their new classes and routines. We have been especially impressed with our Year R children, who have started their school journey with such confidence. We are also incredibly proud of our Year 3 pupils. The transition from Key Stage 1 into Key Stage 2 is a significant one, with lots of changes and new expectations, and they have coped with this admirably.
We have enjoyed a number of exciting activities and experiences this term. We celebrated our Harvest Festival with St Matthew's Church and were overwhelmed by the amount of food and other items donated to the local Food Bank. Thank you to everyone who contributed.
Year 2 have visited Hoath Woods and SOAR as part of their science learning, while Year 3 travelled back in time with their Stone Age Day workshop. Year R welcomed Little City into school, giving them the opportunity to explore different jobs and future careers through imaginative role play.
We were also very excited to take part in a Guinness World Records reading event, joining together to celebrate something that is so important to us at Fairview: a love of reading.

Parents and Carers

Thank you for continuing to support your children with their learning and with school life more widely. The partnership between home and school is incredibly important and makes such a difference to the children.
We hope you found our Meet and Greet sessions useful, providing an opportunity to get to know your child's class teacher and find out more about the expectations for their year group.
It was also lovely to welcome you into school to look through your children's books with them and give them the opportunity to proudly showcase how hard they have been working this term. Thank you also to everyone who attended Parents' Evening. These opportunities to share information and work together are so valuable in supporting your children throughout the year.

Headteachers message cont.

Charity

We have supported a number of charitable causes this term, including Jeans for Genes Day and our Macmillan cake sale.
Thank you, as always, for your generous contributions to these events and particularly to those families who have also contributed to the school's voluntary fund. Your continued generosity and support are greatly appreciated.
Governors
Our Governors have continued to play an important role in supporting and challenging the school. They have held three meetings this term: a Full Governing Body (FGB) meeting, a Resources Committee meeting and a Quality of Education Committee meeting.
During these meetings, Governors have reviewed the school's budget and School Improvement Plan for the year ahead, ensuring that there are clear areas for monitoring, challenge and continued improvement.

UKAT

As you know, we have applied to the Department for Education (DfE) to become an academy and join UKAT. We have been informed that our application will be considered as part of their agenda this autumn.
As soon as we receive further information, we will, of course, share this with you and keep you updated on the next steps.

PTFA

Finally, I would like to say a big thank you to our PTFA. They have worked hard this term to recruit new members and plan activities and events to raise additional funds for the school. Their time, commitment and continued support are greatly appreciated.

I hope that you and your families have a wonderful and well-deserved half-term break. Thank you for all your support during our first term, and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 2 November.

Best wishes,

Karin Tillett

Headteacher



Weekly news

If you have anything to share or if there is anything you would like to see in the newsletter please let the office know.



Reminders

Term 2 - We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 2nd November.

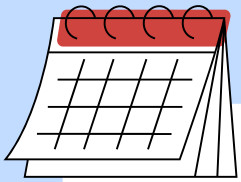
PE & Forest School days - Miss Brown has confirmed that all days will remain the same in term 2.

Staff car park - Due to the large volume of children leaving after school clubs on Wednesdays, the staff car park will not be accessible to parents/carers.

Back Gate - The back gate will be locked at 3.50pm each day, access & exit after this time will be via the gates on Drewery Drive only.

Flu vaccine - Please remember to accept or decline the flu vaccine by 30th October. Information has been sent via Parentmail.

Absence requests - When requesting time away from school please allow **10 school days** for processing.



Dates to remember - Next week

October holiday - Have a lovely time and we will see you back on Monday 2nd November!

Dates to remember - WC 2nd November

Tues 3rd - Year R Phonics Stay & Play (3-3.20pm)
Wed 4th - Flu Immunisations (Years R-6)





Reading Raffle winners

Every week the children who have read at least 4 times are given a raffle ticket, these are then put in 'a hat' and at the end of each term the winning ticket for each key stage wins a £10 Smyths voucher.

This terms reading raffle winners are:

EYFS - Rose C
KS1 - Jasper W
LKS2 - Mia B
UKS2 - Oscar M





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

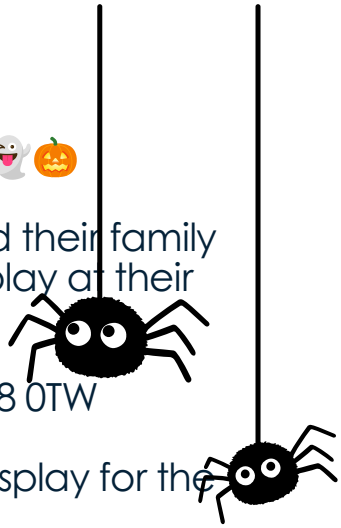
Dancing

Alanna, Freya, Imogen and Blakely from Owls attended the 'Can you dance' convention in Liverpool where they performed their Minions dance for mini comp squad at Razzamataz.





Community news



🎃👻 The Hedges Halloween House! 👻🎃

Two of your former pupils, Luke and John, and their family have created a spectacular Halloween display at their home!

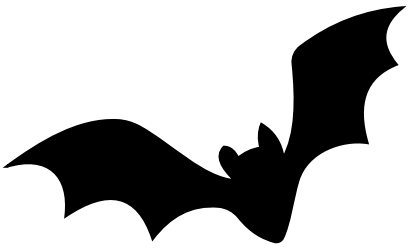
📍 234 Wigmore Road, Gillingham, ME8 0TW

Come along and enjoy a spooky, fun-filled display for the whole family! 🕷️🦇

We're raising money for My Shining Star, a wonderful charity supporting families affected by childhood cancer.

Entry is completely free, but donations are greatly appreciated! ❤️

🎃 Donate here:
https://www.gofundme.com/f/hedgeshalloween





PTFA news

We are very lucky to have an amazing team of parents & staff who give up their time to run and support the PTFA. They raise a large amount of money each year which solely benefits the children of Fairview. If you able to offer any time to help at events please let us know.

Upcoming PTFA events

Friday 6th November - Fireworks
Friday 13th November - KS2 Disco (Years 3&4 at 5.30-6.30pm and Years 5&6 at 6.45-8.15pm)

All events must be booked in advance, information has been sent via Parentmail





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PTFA brings you

Events for the rest of 2026

Fairview Fireworks
Friday 6th November
Closing date for booking is Thursday 5th Nov
https://www.trybooking.com/uk/HAWD

Key Stage 2 Disco Years 3&4
Friday 13th November
Closing date for booking is Wednesday 11th November
https://www.trybooking.com/uk/HARY

Key Stage 2 Disco Years 5&6
Friday 13th November
Closing date for booking is Wednesday 11th November
https://www.trybooking.com/uk/HASA

Fairview Quiz night
Saturday 21st November
Closing date for booking is Wednesday 18th November
https://www.trybooking.com/uk/HBIB

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop
Friday 27th November
Closing date is Tuesday 17th November
https://www.trybooking.com/uk/HBII

Pupils in school gift sale
Monday 14th December
Closing date for booking is Monday 7th December
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