



## Fairview Community Primary School

Website: <https://www.fairviewprimary.co.uk/>

### Weekly Newsletter – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**We are a nut free school - Please do not send your child into school with anything that contains nuts**

#### Head teacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Extracurricular opportunities have commenced for some of our children at school this fortnight.

Our Key Stage 1 pupils recently had a fantastic time participating in a dodgeball roadshow, whilst students in Years 4 to 6 were treated to a brilliant clarinet performance. Additionally, Year 5 and 6 took part in a fascinating Virtual Reality workshop, exploring either space or the human body. These activities beautifully complemented their curriculum learning and allowed them to engage with the subjects in a dynamic way.

I would also like to take this opportunity to spotlight the PTFA, who held their Annual General Meeting this week. We warmly welcome two new members to their small but dedicated team. Furthermore, the PTFA organised the Colour Run event, which took place last week. It was wonderful to see so many children and parents participating and having a great time!

We also celebrated the Macmillan Coffee Morning, where the children delighted in wearing something green while enjoying cakes. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed cakes and/or made donations. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and we will inform you of the total amount raised as soon as we have the figures.

A special mention must go to our Year 6 pupils, who sat the Medway Test last week. They all worked extremely hard, and I believe they have done themselves proud!

Lastly, we held the first Full Governing Body meeting of the year, during which we discussed committee memberships and monitoring responsibilities for the Resources and Quality of Education Committees. The Governors have approved the School Improvement Plan (SIP), which you can review on our website or [here](#).

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Karin Tillet  
Headteacher

#### Volunteers for Reception

Would you, or anyone you know, like to volunteer to hear children read in reception on a Monday morning? Please contact the school office for further information. Please bear in mind we do not place parent readers in the same year as their children.

#### Musical Instrument Lessons – Clarinet

Following on from this week's assembly we are now able to offer clarinet lessons at Fairview. Kent Music Association are offering us these lessons at a reduced rate of £4 per session over 30 weeks. If your child is interested, please complete the attached consent form.

#### Whole School Attendance and punctuality

**The whole school attendance target is 96% set by the Department for Education. Our attendance for the year, so far, is 96.53%.**

**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.

#### School uniform donation

We are always very grateful for your kind donations of school uniform, however, where you have been so amazing, we now have lots of uniform. Temporarily, we will be unable to take anymore donations but we know Street Angels are always very happy to take donations. Alternatively, Brompton Academy are collecting uniform to send to children in Gambia.

#### A plea...

Do you have a spare large umbrella that you would like to donate to school? If you do please pop it into the school office – Thank you!

#### Car Park

Just a friendly reminder that the car park is for **staff only**.

#### Year 7 September 2025 admissions – Open days

Local secondary schools are currently running open days for prospective parents of current 6 children. Details can be found

### Arriving at school

We have noticed that some children arrive to school very early, and usually on their own. Please can you ensure that your children arrive at school as close to school start time as possible.

### After School Clubs

If your child is attending an after-school club, it is imperative that you collect your child promptly, at 4.30pm.

### Y3-6 Swimming Payments

All swimming payments for every class in year 3 to 6 are now on Parentmail. We hope this will give our parents a bit more time to manage payments.

### Suitable Clothing

With the wet and colder weather now approaching, please can you ensure that you send your child into school with a suitable coat. We have noticed an increase in children coming to school with no coat on wet days.

## Community News

### Karate Achievement



A big well done to Oliver (hedgehogs) and Isabelle (doves) who were both graded on Sunday at Karate and achieved the next level belts  
Oliver blue belt and Isabelle Orange belt.

## Community News

### Player of the Week



A big well done to Issy from Zebras who was awarded player of the week for Emeralds netball on Saturday.

### 5k Memory Walk



Well done to Georgia (Dolphins) & Katie (Otters) who took part in a 5k Memory walk to raise money for the Alzheimer's society on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September, they were both amazing and even ran across the finish line holding hands to receive their medals. Well done girls!

### St Margaret's Foodbank & Coffee Morning

Please see attached to this week's newsletter information regarding a local foodbank. The Tuesday session is run alongside a family coffee morning where people can grab a breakfast and cuppa for free.

It's open for donations and for those that needs a bit of help - no questions, no judgement!

on their websites.

### Water Bottles

Please send your child into school with a named water bottle.

## Community News

### Free music tech sessions

Medway Music Association's are offering FREE Weekly Online Music Tech Sessions run on Tuesdays 16:30 – 17:30 during term time only which start again on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

These sessions are for pupils aged 9 – 18 (year 5 – year 13) and cater for complete beginners through to the more advanced.

These sessions run via Zoom and will offer pupils the chance to work with an online Digital Audio Workstation - Bandlab. Pupils will learn how to create music electronically and production techniques such as looping, automation and sampling, as well as creating music for specific purposes, e.g. music for adverts, films etc.

Attached is the registration form for pupils to register now for November, this must be returned to the Medway Music Association and not to school.

Full details can also be found at [www.medwaymusicassociation.co.uk/online-music-technology](http://www.medwaymusicassociation.co.uk/online-music-technology)

## Star Pupil of the Week



Caterpillars	Mason E
Ladybirds	James
Bumblebees	Finley
Dragonflies	Oliver
Sparrows	Haven and Tommy
Doves	Marlowe
Robins	Rosabella
Lions	Molly
Leopards	Freddie
Tigers	Isabelle
Wolves	Pippa
Hedgehogs	Arthur
Foxes	Ellie
Dolphins	Gunnar
Otters	Mason
Turtles	Zachery
Owls	Elise
Ravens	Freddie & Aria
Hawks	James O'C
Crocodiles	Isaac
Zebras	Zachary
Elephants	Elliot

## Term Dates for September 2024 – July 2025

<b>Term 1</b>	<b>Staff development day</b>	Monday 2nd September
	<b>Staff development day</b>	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
	Term begins for children	<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b>
	Term ends for children	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Autumn Break</b>		<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Term 2</b>	Term begins for children	<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October</b>
	Term ends for children	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>Christmas Break</b>		<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January</b>
<b>Term 3</b>	<b>Staff development day</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January
	Term begins for children	<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January</b>
	Term ends for children	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>February Break</b>		<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>
<b>Term 4</b>	Term begins for children	<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b>
	Term ends for children	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April
	Good Friday	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> April
	Easter Monday	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April
<b>Easter Break</b>		<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>
<b>Term 5</b>	<b>Staff development day</b>	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April
	Term begins for children	<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>
	Term ends for children	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May
	Early May bank holiday	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May
	Spring bank holiday	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Late Spring Break</b>		<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May</b>
<b>Term 6</b>	<b>Staff development day</b>	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
	Term begins for children	<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>
	Term ends for children	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July