



Fairview Community Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter – Friday 1st November 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,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you all had a lovely half-term!

It's been a busy start to the term, particularly with the announcement on Monday that Ofsted would be visiting us on Tuesday and Wednesday. While I'm unable to share the specific findings just yet, I want to assure you that the children demonstrated outstanding behaviour, truly reflecting the values and support you instil at home. I am immensely proud of both the pupils and our dedicated team.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in the parent survey. It was genuinely uplifting to receive such positive comments, and your feedback continues to be invaluable to us.

In other delightful news, I'm thrilled to announce that Miss Cassell is now a proud mummy to a little boy named George. Both mum and baby are doing wonderfully!

Additionally, I want to express my gratitude to those who attended parents' evening the week before half-term. It was a pleasure discussing how well your child has settled into the new school year and identifying areas for their continued development. A gentle reminder: reading with your child at home is one of the greatest ways you can support their learning journey.

Yesterday marked our first Governor Quality of Education Committee meeting, where we outlined our School Improvement monitoring roles and set our plans for the year ahead. We're looking forward to implementing these improvements and enhancing the educational experience for all our students.

As always, we are excited about the term ahead and all the enjoyable activities it will bring.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Karin Tillet

Headteacher

Tempest Individual School Photo's

A reminder that Tempest will be in school on **Tuesday 5th November** taking the children's photos. If your child has PE/Forest School or an after-school club please ensure that they come into school wearing School uniform on their top half i.e. polo top with cardigan or jumper.

If your child is in Caterpillars but does not usually attend on Tuesday, you are more than welcome to bring them along at 9am for their photo. Please come to the school office – Parents are to stay with the children, it should take no longer than 10 minutes.

Wear your PJ's to School Day

On **Friday 8th November** we will be raising money to support the Royal British Legion Industries (RBLI) based in Aylesford. They are an organisation dedicated to supporting veterans. Year 2 are on their school trip on this day so they can wear their pyjamas to school on Thursday 7th November instead.

PTFA School Disco

It's the KS2 school disco on **Friday 8th November 2024**. If you haven't already, please book tickets via the PTFA parentmail links. Booking closes at 10pm on Wednesday 6th November – There will be no ticket sales on the day.

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 96.34%.

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.

After School Clubs

A reminder that there is **no** Badminton or Irish Dancing after school clubs next week.

Bird feed donations – Eco Squad

Autumn & Winter is the time to feed birds, our Eco Squad members are really keen to ensure our visiting birds are well fed! We would really appreciate any donations of bird feed (Suet balls, Sunflower seeds, Bird seed & Mill worms, but nothing containing nuts) – If you would like to donate, there is a box in the school reception.

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.

Car Park

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

Star Pupil of the Week



Caterpillars	Alfie-James
Ladybirds	Harleigh
Bumblebees	Poppy J
Dragonflies	Chester
Sparrows	Lochlan
Doves	Jude
Robins	Sienna
Lions	Jamie Murphy
Leopards	Jaivin B
Tigers	Savannah F
Wolves	Daniel P
Hedgehogs	Evelyn
Foxes	Melanie
Dolphins	Jenson
Otters	Elliot M
Turtles	Isla G
Owls	Beau C
Ravens	Mikey
Hawks	Alice
Crocodiles	Chloe W
Zebras	Callan
Elephants	Blossom

Anti-Bullying Week

On **Tuesday 12th November** we are asking children to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. There is no payment needed for this.

Children in Need

We are fundraising for Children in Need on **Friday 15th November 2024**. We asking for a £1 donation and children can wear anything spotty, yellow or any Pudsey/children in need wear.

Water Bottles

Please send your child into school with a named bottle.

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.

Key dates and times for Events

Attached to the newsletter are the key dates & times for the academic year. Please keep an eye on these dates as they can be subject to change.

Earrings

Please can we remind parents that earrings cannot be worn during PE. If your child has had their ears pierced, please can you remove earrings before school or practice with your child at home so that they can do it themselves.

Healthy snacks & lunches

Can we please remind you that we are a healthy school. Children should only bring in a healthy breaktime snack. Lunches should only contain healthy foods, no sweets! Can we ask you to remind your child/children that they should not share or swap their food with other children.

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Sharing achievements

If your child has achieved anything outside school and you would like to share this with our school community, please email the school office.



Well done to Bethany who attended two festivals this October at Beckenham & Orpington. Bethany got a lovely 2nd place in her character solo and a 2nd & 3rd place for her song and dance. Well done Bethany!

Song & Dance Achievement

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Karate Achievement



Well done to Anaya and Alisha who had a grading this weekend and they are now yellow belts at karate. What a brilliant achievement. Well done girls!

Key dates and times for Events

This section will be continually updated over the course of the year and may be subject to change.

September:	
Monday 2 nd September	Staff development day
Tuesday 3 rd September	Staff development day
Wednesday 4th September	Term starts for children
Wednesday 4 th September to Wednesday 9 th October	Swimming – Owls & Ravens
Tuesday 17 th & Wednesday 18 th	Medway Test
Thursday 19 th & Friday 20 th	Medway Test – Special arrangements
Friday 20 th September	PTFA Colour Run
Monday 23 rd September	Year 5 VR workshop (am)
Monday 23 rd September	Year 6 VR workshop (pm)
Monday 23 rd September	Macmillan Cancer cake sale – Nursery & Reception
Tuesday 24 th September	Macmillan Cancer cake sale – Years 4, 5 & 6
Wednesday 25 th September	Macmillan Cancer cake sale – Years 1, 2 & 3
Monday 30 th September	Harvest Festival assembly by Reverend Brian (No parents)
October:	
Thursday 3 rd October	Sports organising crew
Monday 7 th October	Book looks – Year 4 – 3pm
Tuesday 8 th October	Mini Youth Games (MYG) – Hockey (Championship) Years 5 & 6
Tuesday 8 th October	Book looks – Year 6 – 3pm
Wednesday 9 th October	Reception 2025 Open day – 9.30am & 1.30pm
Wednesday 9 th October	Book looks – Year 3 – 3pm
Wednesday 16 th October to Wednesday 27 th November	Swimming – Hawks & Elephants
Thursday 10 th October	Mini Youth Games (MYG) – Hockey (Cup and plate) Years 5 & 6
Thursday 10 th October	Book looks – Year 2 – 3pm
Friday 11 th October	Book looks – Year 1 – 3pm
Monday 14 th October	Parent consultation – 9am-12pm (Caterpillars, year 6 & year 4)
Monday 14 th October	Book looks – Year 5 – 3pm
Tuesday 15 th October	Parent consultation – 9am-12pm (Caterpillars & year 1)
Tuesday 15 th October	Parent consultation – 4-7pm (All years)
Wednesday 16 th October	Parent consultation – 9am-12pm (Year R & year 2)
Wednesday 16 th October	Medway Test results to parents
Thursday 17 th October	Parent consultation – 9am-12pm (Year 3 & year 5)
Thursday 17 th October	House tag day
Friday 18 th October	PTFA tag day
Friday 18th October	Last day of term 1
Friday 25 th October	PTFA Fireworks
Monday 28th October	First day of term 2
Wednesday 30 th October	Smoothie bike visiting years 3 & 4
Thursday 31 st October	Deadline for submission of Year 7 2025 applications

November:	
Tuesday 5 th November	Individual photos by Tempest
Tuesday 5 th November	MYG – Basketball (Cup)
Wednesday 6 th November	Cross country – Fixture 1 (Medway Park)
Friday 8 th November	Year 2 Educational trip to Durham Woods & Soar
Friday 8 th November	RBLI tag day – Wear your pyjamas to school
Friday 8 th November	KS2 Disco (Information & booking link sent separately via Parentmail)
Monday 11 th November	Year 5 Ancient Greeks workshop
Tuesday 12 th November	Year R Phonics stay & play – 3-3.20pm
Tuesday 12 th November	MYG – Basketball (Championship)
Tuesday 12 th November	Odd socks day – Wear odd socks to school
Thursday 14 th November	MYG – Basketball (Plate)
Thursday 14 th November	Year 6 Educational visit to the RE Museum, Gillingham
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need tag day
Thursday 21 st November	Year R & Year 6 Weight and height check
Friday 22 nd November	PTFA quiz night/Race night
Monday 25 th November	Year 3 Living History Stone Age workshop
Tuesday 26 th November	MYG – Badminton (Championship)
Wednesday 27 th November	Reception 2025 Open day – 9.30am & 1.30pm
Thursday 28 th November	MYG – Badminton (Cup and plate)
Thursday 28 th November	PTFA Processo and wreath making master class
December:	
Sunday 1 st December	PTFA Christmas Fayre
Monday 2 nd December	Road Safety Day – Year R
Tuesday 3 rd December	Choral Festival at Rochester Cathedral (Years 3 – 6) – Invite only
Wednesday 4 th December to Wednesday 22 nd January 2025	Swimming – Crocodiles & Zebras
Wednesday 4 th December	Year R to Year 6 Flu immunisation
Wednesday 4 th December	Year 5 Christmas experience – St Matthews Church (No parents)
Thursday 5 th December	PTFA Processo and wreath making master class
Monday 9 th December	Year 1 & 2 Christmas performance to parents (year 1 at 9.30am and year 2 at 2pm)
Tuesday 10 th December	Cross country – Fixture 2 (Cliffe Woods Primary School)
Tuesday 10 th December	Caterpillars & Ladybirds Christmas performance – 9.30am
Tuesday 10 th December	Years 3 & 4 Christmas performance to parents (year 3 at 1.30pm and year 4 at 2.30pm)
Wednesday 11 th December	Year 5 Christingle – 2pm at St Matthews Church
Thursday 12 th December	Dragonflies & Bumblebees Christmas performance – 9.30am
Thursday 12 th December	Christmas lunch (Yrs R-6)
Thursday 12 th December	Christmas jumper day
Friday 13 th December	PTFA Christmas gift sale
Friday 13 th December	Choir to Osbern Manor care home (No parents) – 2pm
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas class party (Year 5 only)
Thursday 19 th December	Christmas class party (All years except year 5)
Friday 20 th December	House tag day
Friday 20th December	Last day of term 2

January:	
Monday 6 th January	Staff development day
Tuesday 7th January	Term 3 starts for children
Wednesday 8 th January	Cross country – Fixture 3 (Brompton Westbrook Primary School)
Friday 10 th January	Pantomime (AM – Years 4, 5 & 6) (PM – Years R, 1, 2 & 3)
Thursday 16 th January	MYG – Swimming (Championship)
Thursday 16 th January	Year 3 Egyptian workshop
Friday 17 th January	MYG – Swimming (Cup)
Monday 22 nd January	Year R Early Learning Goals parents meeting – 3pm
Wednesday 29 th January to Wednesday 13 th March	Swimming – Turtles & Otters
Friday 31 st January	Year R Sciencedome visit
February:	
Wednesday 5 th February	MYG - Table Tennis (Championship)
Wednesday 5 th February	Year 1 Road safety walks
Thursday 6 th February	MYG – Table Tennis (Cup and plate)
Friday 7 th February	NSPCC Number Day
Wednesday 12 th February	Cross country – Fixture 4 (Capstone Park Country Park)
Thursday 13 th February	Bounce fitness with Donna
Friday 14 th February	Bounce fitness with Donna
Thursday 13 th February	House tag day
Friday 14 th February	PTFA valentines tag day
Friday 14th February	Last day of term 3
Monday 24th February	First day of term 4
Friday 28 th February	Science day
March:	
Monday 3 rd March	Year 7 September 2025 offer day
Wednesday 5 th March	Cross country – Fixture 5 (Medway Park)
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day
Wednesday 20 th March	Year R Maths stay & play – 3-3.20pm
Wednesday 20 th March to Wednesday 7 th May	Swimming – Dolphins & Foxes
Friday 21 st March	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 26 th March	Bounce Beyond – Mini trampoline day (Years R-2)
Friday 28 th March	Deadline to accept/decline year 7 2025 September school place
Friday 28 th March	PTFA Year R & KS1 party (Year R – 1pm, Year 1 – 2pm, Year 2 – 3.30pm)
April:	
Wednesday 2 nd April	Year 6 Easter experience – St Matthews Church
Friday 4 th April	House tag day
Friday 4th April	Last day of term 4
Monday 21 st April	Re-allocation of year 7 September 2025 begins
Tuesday 22 nd April	Staff development day
Wednesday 23rd April	Term 5 starts for children

Thursday 24 th April	MYG - Netball (Plate)
Friday 25 th April	Year 2 VR workshop
Tuesday 29 th April	NYG - Netball (Championship)
May:	
Monday 5th May	Bank holiday
WC 12 th May	Year 6 SATS
Wednesday 14 th May to Wednesday 25 th June	Swimming – Wolves & Hedgehogs
Tuesday 20 th May	MYG - Tag Rugby (Championship)
Tuesday 20 th May	Year 3 Educational trip to Riverside Country Park
Thursday 22 nd May	MYG - Tag Rugby (Cup and plate)
Friday 23 rd May	House tag day
Friday 23rd May	Last day of term 5
June:	
Monday 2 nd June	Staff development day
Tuesday 3rd June	Term 6 starts for children
Tuesday 3 rd June	MYG – Football (Championship)
Thursday 5 th June	MYG – Football (Cup and plate)
Monday 9 th to Friday 13 th June	Sports Inclusion week
Monday 9 th June	PGL 2025 parent meeting (Yr 6 parents)
Monday 16 th June	Year 1 Educational visit to Wingham Wildlife Centre
Wednesday 18 th June	Nursery sports day
Thursday 19 th June	Make music day
Friday 20 th June	Sports day (Yrs R-6)
Saturday 21 st June	PTFA Summer Fayre
Monday 23 rd June to Friday 27 th June	Year 6 Residential and activity week for those children not attending
Tuesday 24 th June	MYG – Cricket (Championship)
Thursday 26 th June	MYG – Cricket (Cup and plate)
Thursday 26 th June	Year 3 Educational visit to Wildwood
Monday 30 th June	PGL 2026 parent meeting (Yr 5 parents)
July:	
Wednesday 2 nd July	Additional swim session
Friday 4 th July	Reserve sports day (Yrs R-6)
Monday 7 th July	Year 6 'It's your move' – St Matthews Church
Tuesday 8 th July	MYG – Athletics
Wednesday 9 th July	Additional swim session
Monday 14 th July	Year 6 performance to parents - 2pm & 5pm
Wednesday 16 th July	Additional swim session
Friday 18 th July	House tag day
Friday 18 th July	Year 6 leavers disco
Monday 21 st July	Year 6 leavers service at St Matthews Church – 2pm
Tuesday 22 nd July	Whole school picnic – No parents
Tuesday 22 nd July	Last day of year 6

Term Dates for September 2024 – July 2025

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