



Collaboration Perseverance Respect Kindness Honest Responsibility

Fairview Community Primary School

Check out our website: <https://www.fairviewprimary.co.uk/>

Weekly Newsletter – Friday 31st January 2025

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. It has been a busy fortnight at our school, and I wanted to take a moment to share some of the exciting activities our children have been involved in recently.

Our Year 2 pupils had a fantastic outing to Rochester, which greatly supported their Geography learning this term. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to experience first-hand the historical significance of the area.

Across Key Stage 2, we were honoured to host a Brigadier who spoke to all classes about his important role in the British Army. The children found his insights both fascinating and inspiring.

We also participated in sports hall athletics at Howard School, where our students demonstrated remarkable teamwork and sportsmanship while representing our school. It was lovely to witness their enthusiasm and commitment.

A special congratulations is in order for a group of Year 6 boys who participated in a football tournament in partnership with Gillingham Football Club. They finished the tournament undefeated, winning all seven games! They will now represent Gillingham against the North winners in Swindon this March. Kudos to Mrs Saputo and her amazing team for their hard work and dedication!

Thank you to the Reception parents who attended the Early Learning Goal meeting led by Mrs Stockbridge. Your participation is valued, and we hope it has provided clarity on the end-of-year expectations. For those who were unable to attend, the presentation is available for viewing [here](#).

Since the beginning of Term 3, we have introduced the Zones of Regulation alongside our Raffle Reading initiative. We are thrilled to see a significant increase in the number of children reading at home, which is fantastic for their learning journey. In addition, the children are grasping the concept of Zones of Regulation well, understanding that it's perfectly normal to experience a range of emotions but important to respond with appropriate behaviours. I encourage you to discuss these initiatives with your children at home. I wonder what colour zone they have been in today!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend ahead.

Kind regards,

Mrs K Tillet
Headteacher

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 95.79%.

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.

Important Information...

Late arrival to school

We are seeing an increase in the number of children arriving late for school. Since the start of this term (19 school days) **184** children have been late for school. We understand that sometimes lateness can not be avoided but it does have an impact on the child who has to walk into an established lesson and also on the children already in school whose lesson has to pause whilst the children arriving late are welcomed.

Tissues donation

It's the time of year for coughs and colds, and we are getting through boxes of tissues like they are going out of fashion! We would be really grateful for any donations of tissue boxes.

NSPCC Number day

Don't forget Number day is on Friday 7th February (Thursday 6th February for year 2), children can wear anything numerical/mathematical etc for a donation of £1.

Plimsoll request

Sometimes children have toilet accidents, and although we do have change of clothes we have few spare shoes. If you have any plimsolls that you no longer need and you would like to donate them to us, we would be very grateful.

Newsletter format

We have changed the layout of our newsletter, we would like your feedback, also if there is anything you would like to see in the newsletter that we do not usually include. If you have any feedback drop an email in the office email.

Before school

Please can we remind you that before school starts, children are not to play on any equipment or play ball games. The playground areas are busy and some children are not supervised, therefore these activities are not appropriate at this time.

PE kit

Children should wear the correct PE to school on PE days – PE kit consists of navy tracksuit/hoodie/leggings and house coloured plain t-shirt. The following are not permitted – No football/sports tops, slogan tops, character tops etc.

Can we also remind you to **name everything** that is sent into school, so that it can be returned if it gets lost.

Check out this link to our school website: [School Uniform | Fairview Community Primary School \(fairviewprimary.co.uk\)](http://School Uniform | Fairview Community Primary School (fairviewprimary.co.uk))

Appointments

We are seeing an increase in children being collected early from school. Whilst we appreciate these appointments cannot be avoided sometimes, we do ask that where possible you book appointments outside of school hours. Please can you also provide us with booking confirmation/appointment letters when notifying school.

Medicines in school

We are always happy to administer prescribed medicines, when necessary, once a day. If you require us to do this, please come to the office to fill out a consent form.

Please **DO NOT** send any medicines into school with your child. This poses a risk to all children.

Children's birthdays

Don't forget children can wear their own clothes to school on their birthday, or if their birthday falls in a holiday or weekend, on a day in the school week closest to it.

Sports News...

Sports Hall Athletics competition



On Thursday 23 January, 18 of our Y5/6s took part in the annual Sports Hall Athletics competition. The children carried out a range of track and field events. These included sprint relays, obstacle relays, long jump, chest push and speed bounce. The squad worked really hard and showed great collaboration throughout the whole morning, demonstrating some excellent athletic skills. Fifteen schools took part over the day and.....we came in 3rd place! So bronze medals for Fairview!

Well done to: Jack H, James P, Freya S, Lily P, Imogen W, Elena Y, Zachary S, Farley P, James C, Elia B, Lily D, Tami A, Betsy N, Ben W, James A, George L, Ekam C, Ruby G.

Utilita Cup



Fairview took part in the Gillingham FC Utilita Cup on Tuesday 21st January. We played four group games; we won three and drew one, without conceding a single goal. Next was the quarter final which we won 4-0. Through to the semi final, which went to penalties.....Fairview won! 🏆
Now the final.....3-0 to Fairview! Winners! 🏆 🎉

We will now be representing Gillingham FC in the the next tournament which is in Swindon!

We're on the road to Wembley!

A massive achievement for these boys. They all did the school so proud and conducted themselves with such maturity and grace. An absolute pleasure to watch.

Well done to James M, James Pl, James Pi, Ethan, Freddie, Myles, Riley, Jared and Isaac. Rest up for the next round boys! 🏆 🎉 🏆 🎉 🏆

Community News

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

PSA Football – Soccer School

As part of their partnership with Fairview School, PSA would like to offer a discounted rate to all the children at Fairview when booking onto their February Soccer School this Half-Term.

All children will receive a **10% discount** when using the code **PSA10** at the checkout.

PSA Soccer School's are designed for young players of all skill levels, our fun-filled sessions focus on developing key football techniques, teamwork, and sportsmanship in a supportive environment.

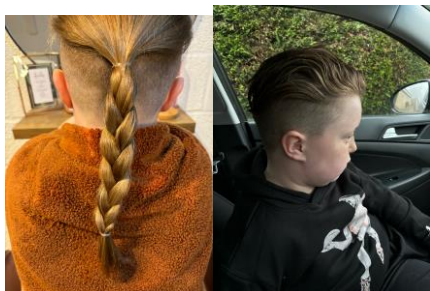
Led by experienced coaches, participants will enjoy engaging drills, exciting matches, and the chance to make new friends.

If you would like to sign up click on this link: [February Soccer School 2025](#)



Dance Festival Achievement

Bethany in Ravens competed in the Power House Dance festival at the weekend . Won herself 1st place for her modern solo, 2nd place for her song & dance solo, and a 2nd place for her character solo. Won a trophy for highest overall mark in the modern novice section. Also made it to the power round finals ! She tried hard & danced her heart out on stage. Well done Bethany!



Little Princess Trust

Ted in Zebras class has been growing his hair for the past two years but last Friday Night (17th Jan) he decided to cut off 10 inches to donate to the making of wigs for the Little Princess Trust. His parents have also set up a just giving page in order to hopefully raise a little bit of money to go towards the actual making of the wigs. We're super proud of Ted for doing this as his hair was a massive part of him and what he was known for. I've attached a couple of photos and the link for the just giving page and we would really appreciate any support.

[Corinna Wadsworth is fundraising for Little Princess Trust](#)



Piano Achievement

Well done to Abigail in Crocodiles class who passed her Grade One Piano exam.



Karate Achievement

Well done to Elijah in Dolphins class who received a certificate for outstanding attendance in Karate.

Star Pupil of the Week



Caterpillars	Leo & Louie
Ladybirds	Isla V
Bumblebees	Mila H
Dragonflies	Betsy
Sparrows	Ellie W
Doves	Ada M & Imogen H
Robins	Lucas J
Lions	Evie G
Leopards	Tommy H
Tigers	Poppy B
Wolves	Sebastian S
Hedgehogs	Freya
Foxes	Jayden
Dolphins	Sienna F
Otters	Poppy E & Colby F
Turtles	Eleanor M
Owls	Nancy
Ravens	Elizabeth V
Hawks	Joelle
Crocodiles	Nalia A

Zebras	Ekam
Elephants	Jared N

Key dates and times for Events

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

February:	
Monday 3 rd February	Science dome visiting Year R (Date change)
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)
Thursday 6 th February	NSPCC Number Day (year 2 only)
Thursday 6 th February	Year 4 Roman workshop
Friday 7 th February	NSPCC Number Day (except year 2)
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
Monday 24 th February	Year 2 Great Fire of London workshop
Thursday 27 th February	Year 6 only Class photos
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
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 2 nd September
	Staff development day	Tuesday 3 rd September
	Term 1 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 2 begins for children	Monday 28th October
	Term ends for children	Friday 20th December
Christmas Break		Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January
Term 3	Staff development day	Monday 6th January
	Term 3 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 4 begins for children	Monday 24th February
	Term ends for children	Friday 4th April
	Good Friday	Friday 18th April
	Easter Monday	Monday 21st April
Easter Break		Monday 7th April to Friday 18th April
Term 5	Staff development day	Tuesday 22nd April
	Term 5 begins for children	Wednesday 23rd April
	Term ends for children	Friday 23rd May
	Early May bank holiday	Monday 5th May
	Spring bank holiday	Monday 26th May
Late Spring Break		Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May
Term 6	Staff development day	Monday 2nd June
	Term 6 begins for children	Tuesday 3rd June
	Term ends for children	Tuesday 22nd July

Term Dates for September 2025 – July 2026

Term 1	Staff Development Day	Monday 1st September
	Staff Development Day	Tuesday 2nd September
	Year starts for children	Wednesday 3rd September
	Last day of term 1	Friday 17th October

Autumn Break		Monday 20th October to Friday 24th October
Term 2	Term 2 starts for children	Monday 27th October
	Last day of term 2	Friday 19 th December
Christmas Break		Monday 22nd December to Friday 2nd January
Term 3	Staff Development Day	Monday 5 th January
	Term 3 starts for children	Tuesday 6th January
	Last day of term 3	Friday 13 th February
February Break		Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February
Term 4	Term 4 starts for children	Monday 23rd February
	Last day of term 4	Thursday 2 nd April
	Good Friday	Friday 3 rd April
Easter Break		Monday 6th April to Friday 17th April
Term 5	Staff Development Day	Monday 20 th April
	Term 5 starts for children	Tuesday 21st April
	Early spring bank holiday	Monday 4 th May
	Last day of term 5	Friday 22nd May
Late Spring Break		Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May
Term 6	Staff Development Day	Monday 1 st June
	Term 6 starts for children	Tuesday 2nd June
	Last day of the academic year	Tuesday 21st July