



Happy Friday, Fairhouse!

We have finished our second-to-last week for this year; just one more to go. We understand that emotions run high at this time of year as children adjust to the changes of leaving their familiar classes behind them. Our staff continue with their work to support children however they can.

Sports day was a great success. You turned out well to support the children. We were so pleased that all children were able to take part in some way, and it was lovely to watch them help each other.



This week our year 6 children have attended their residential at Essex Outdoor Danbury centre. They had a lovely time and experienced a range of activities across their three days there.

The year 6 children that have not attended the residential have also had an amazing week. They challenged the kitchen staff to a game of rounders with the adults winning 17:4, were treated to a day of sporting activities (archery and dodgeball) with our new sports company, Sportscool, and also made (and ate!) their own delicious pizzas with a little help from our catering team!



On Wednesday, children from year 3 and 4 took part in the annual Berlesduna trust swimming gala at James Hornsby School. They competed in a number of races as well as a mixed relay. All children put in 100% effort and had a brilliant morning. A huge well done to the pupils who proudly represented Fairhouse school!



This week, Year 1 got class pets - they have been looking after class snails. They found resources for the snail homes by gathering soil, sticks and leaves which they found in different areas outside. Children worked in groups to organise what was needed and how much of each thing and then used them to design the perfect home for the snails.

On Tuesday, Year 4 travelled to the Horniman museum in London. They had the opportunity to explore the aquarium, world museum and the beautiful gardens overlooking the London skyline. They also participated in an Ancient Egyptian workshop, where they took on the role of an archaeologist, discovering a variety of artefacts found within a tomb. They used clues to investigate what the items were and why they might have been important to a pharaoh. They even had to wear gloves for extra protection when handling the extremely delicate artefacts. What a fantastic experience it was for the children to physically see and touch so many items that they have been learning about throughout the summer term. All children and staff had a great day!



Next week, we have our open evening for parents on Tuesday 15th from 3.30 - 5.30pm. This is a chance for you to come in and have a look at the work your child has been doing this year. We also have our school discos on Thursday 17th: EYFS and KS1 4-5.30pm in the KS1 hall. Years 3-5 4-5.30pm in the KS2 hall and Year 6 have their leavers disco from 5.45-7.15pm.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Davie

ParentPay

Please ensure you keep your ParentPay account in credit to cover any dinners booked for your child.

If your account accrues arrears of two meals (£4.60) or more your child WILL NOT be able to book any further school dinners and you MUST provide them with a packed lunch until the arrears are cleared.

Please note that from September 2025 the cost of a school dinner will increase to £2.40.

School Dinner Menu - Week Three

14th - 18th July 2025

Monday

Cheese & Tomato Quiche

Pizza Pinwheel

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Tuna Mayo Baguette

Seasonal Fruit Medley

Tuesday

Sweet & Sour Chicken Nuggets

Sweet & Sour Veggie Nuggets

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Strawberry Jam Sandwich

Ice Cream Tub

Wednesday

Roast Gammon, Yorkie Pud & Gravy

Rainbow Vegetable Omelette

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Cheese Bap

Chocolate Cupcake

Thursday

Beef Bolognese

Veggie Bolognese

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Ham Wrap

Jelly

Friday

Fish Fingers

Veggie Fingers

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Egg Mayo Sandwich

Fruity Friday

Fairhouse Weekly Attendance Table

Elephants	93.3%
Pandas	88.6%
Hedgehogs	93.2%
Tigers	96.3%
Macaws	94.3%
Rhinos	99%
Jaguars	92.1%
Vaquitas	94.7%
Belugas	97.2%
Sea Otters	93.8%
Gorillas	83.4%
Saolas	94.3%
Galapagos Penguins	96%
Sea Turtles	93%

Well done to Rhinos (KS1) and Belugas (KS2) who have earned the company of our attendance bears Fred and Freda in class next week.



Also to Rhinos who have earned a spin on the attendance prize wheel for achieving over 98% attendance this week. Well done!

A special mention to the children below who have displayed some of our core values this week:

Class	Child	Core Value
Galapagos Penguins	Residential attendee's	Displaying all of our core values
Sea Turtles	Residential attendee's	Displaying all of our core values
Gorillas	Levi-J	Responsibility
Saolas	Oliver G	Courage
Belugas	Rosie	Responsibility
Sea Otters	Meila	Kindness
Jaguars	Hudson	Responsibility
Vaquitas	Sammy	Responsibility
Macaws	Joshua	Kindness
Rhinos	Jayde	Respect
Hedgehogs		
Tigers	Andreea	Kindness
Elephants	Daniel	Courage
Pandas	Bobby	Courage



Dates for your Diary



Tuesday, 15th July 2025

Whole School Open Evening - 3.30 - 5pm
Year 5 Sharing Assembly - 2.40pm

Wednesday, 16th July 2025

Year 2 Sharing Assembly - 2.40pm

Thursday, 17th July 2025

Year 4 Sharing Assembly - 9.15am
EYFS, KS1 & Year 3, 4 & 5 Disco's: 4 - 5.30pm
Year 6 Leavers Disco: 5.45 - 7.15pm

Friday, 18th July 2025

Last Day of Term
Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 2.30pm

Monday, 21st & Tuesday, 22nd July 2025

Inset / Non-Pupil Day

Monday, 1st & Tuesday, 2nd September 2025

Inset / Non-Pupil Day

Wednesday, 3rd September 2025

Back to School

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club **MUST** be pre-booked via ParentPay. Bookings should be made 24hrs in advance.

Breakfast club runs from 8am - 8.40am and costs £2 per child per day. Last entry is at 8.15am.

Parents **MUST** accompany their child to the main doors by the office where they will be met and registered by a member of staff. Various breakfast options will be available such as cereal, toast & crumpets as well as fresh juice & milk.

Parking in the local area

Please drive with caution and be aware of children outside the school, there have been a few near misses with vehicles driving and reversing at speed.

Please also be considerate of our neighbours when dropping off and collecting your children from school. We have received a number of complaints from local residents due to parents parking on & blocking the entrances / driveways at Fairhouse Court and Napier Close at drop off and pick up times.

SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO SIGN UP!

Sunday, July 27
Black Brook Golf & Country Club

'A Hole New Ball Game'
JUNIOR TASTER DAY
plus a Trick Shot Show by KC Golf Show from 6pm!

Our Junior Taster Day is a fantastic way to introduce youngsters to the great game of golf. Come along and have some fun, don't worry if you've never tried it before!

What is it?
A complimentary fun golf session to introduce you to golf, with different activities including skill tests, putting, chipping and Trackman challenges

Who is it for?
Boys and girls aged 9-14

How long is it for?
3.30pm-5.30pm

How much is it?
FREE!

If you have your own clubs, please bring them along, however, if not we will have plenty of clubs for you to use at no cost.

Please also bring your own water bottles and wear comfortable clothes with caps and sunscreen if it's a lovely day

Parents/guardians do not need to be present but are welcome to enjoy the facilities on-site

Coaching provided by PGA Qualified Professionals

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essexwellbeingsservice.co.uk
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0300 303 9988



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Story Garden
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Saturday 19 July to Saturday 6 September
At your local Essex library or mobile library -
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Important information - Term time holidays

Improving school attendance is a key priority for all schools across Essex. Where families choose to take a **family holiday during term time, this can detrimentally impact a pupil's progress and can prevent them** from fulfilling their true academic potential. Our school attendance policy, available via our school website, clearly sets out the process that parents should follow if they wish to apply for leave during term time. Please note that applications should only be made, if you feel that there are exceptional circumstances which mean that the leave cannot be taken during the school holidays. We would ask all parents to note that, where families choose to go on holiday during term time and the absences are coded as unauthorised, Essex County Council may not issue penalty notices and may instead proceed straight to prosecution and place the case directly before the Magistrates for their consideration in court. If found guilty by the Magistrates, parents could face a fine of up to £2,500 and/or 3 months imprisonment.

Studybugs

Studybugs

Fairhouse are using a more efficient and secure system for messaging parents, called Studybugs. The website & app has an easy to use messaging service which allows us to set up a chat feature with parents to notify you of anything you may need to know about and answer any queries you may have. It is also our absence line service allowing parents to easily notify school of their child's absence.

Please download the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website.

If you need any assistance in setting this up on your phone, please call into the school office and we will be happy to help.



Break Time Snack

Our snack shop has a range of healthy snacks available daily. Each item costs 50p and children are limited to one item each. If you wish to send your child in with a snack from home please do try to make sure it is something from our approved snack list.

Key Stage 1 children will continue to receive a piece of fruit as part of the healthy schools initiative.



School Uniform

Our school uniform consists of the following:

- Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore.
- White polo shirt
- Bottle green jumper or cardigan.
- Grey tights.
- Black, grey or white ankle socks.
- Grey shorts or green and white checked summer dress in summer months.
- Black school shoes or **ALL BLACK** trainers (including black soles - no big logos or brand names).

Leggings are **NOT** part of the school uniform and should **NOT** be worn to school.





Activities / Achievements



Our fabulous school choir took part in the Basildon Junior Music Festival at the Towngate Theatre on Thursday 3rd July.

Well done everyone and a special mention to Samia and Freya who both bravely took on some solo parts!



Lily has represented England today competing in a large lyrical group at the Dance World Cup in Burgos, Spain.
Good Luck Lily!



Finley took part in the DinoDay Challenge to support Contact – an amazing charity for families with children with disabilities! He read 19 books throughout June raising a fantastic total of £124 through sponsorship!!
Well done Finley!



Harry has completed level 2 in his swimming lessons this week and will be moving up a group.
Great job Harry!

www.sportscool.org

SUMMER HAF HOLIDAY CLUB

For Primary School Children

WHERE?	WHEN?	WHAT'S ON?
Fairhouse Community Primary School Long Riding, Basildon, SS14 1QP	Starting Monday 28 th July or 4 weeks! Monday to Friday 9am - 3pm	Football Glow in the Dark Dodgeball Fun Inflatables Archery Plus many more!

All coaches are DBS checked.
Please ensure that your child brings a packed lunch, snacks and plenty of still drinks.
Appropriate clothing for indoor and outdoor activities required please.

£25 per day & Free for children on free school meals benefit!

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How to Book:

1. Visit the link below or scan the QR code
2. Enter your email address and sign in
3. Select - Sportscool - Multisports @ Fairhouse Primary School
4. Choose your preferred dates and confirm your booking
5. Please note:
6. If your child is not entitled to free school meals, please see the information below.

£25 per day or £75 for the full week!

Scan the QR code to book!
Booking link:
<https://bit.ly/SportscoolEL>

Use code: **SUMMER75** at checkout

10% sibling discount!
code: SIB20

Or visit:
<https://app.holidayactivities.com>

Need some help with your booking? Call us directly on 07707861027 or email southessex@sportscool.org



BERLESDUNA ACADEMY TRUST – VACANCIES

DOWNHAM – LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT (30 hours per week) – closing date 13th July

For more information and to apply for any of these exciting opportunities, please follow the link to our website [Vacancies – Berlesduna Academy Trust](#)

Summer Fun in the Park Wickford Memorial Park

FREE

23rd July
Moji Children's Entertainer

30th July 2-4pm
Go Bonkers Inflatable Fun
Face Painting

6th August 2-4pm
Punch & Judy Show
Face Painting

13th August 2-4pm
Go Bonkers Inflatable Fun
Face Painting

20th August 2-4pm
Kids Cinema - Dog Man (Cert PG)

27th August 2-4pm
Moji Children's Entertainer

Bring your own chairs and picnic food and
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or

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General enquiries: enquiries@compassessex.org.uk



Smart Watches

Please note that smart watches that allow photos or video footage to be taken and / or have access to games and / or have cellular / internet connectivity are not permitted in school.

TICKETS ON SALE



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