

FAIRHOUSE primary SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER - 37 (04/07/25)



Happy Friday, Fairhouse Families!

Good afternoon Fairhouse Primary School. This week has seen a mini heatwave and our Summer Bounce event which was a roaring success! A huge thank you to Miss Baldock who organised the entire event and also to everyone who helped out.

Last night our wonderful school choir sang their hearts out at the Towngate Theatre as part of the Basildon Junior music festival. A special mention to Freya and to Samia who both took up some solo parts - well done girls! The children demonstrated pride in their performance and great courage to perform to such a big audience. Well done to all in the choir and thank you Mrs Kyei for her hard work in organising this event and also to Mrs Webb for giving up her time to help the children rehearse.

As part of their "Ancient Civilisation" topic, this week Year 4 have been working hard to construct a working machine out of recycled materials. The challenge was to make a prototype to assist the tomb builders with making the final resting place for a pharaoh. The children worked well in small teams to construct, build and rebuild their machines.

In art, the year 6 children were creating mood boards, using images of bees, beetles and butterflies. They considered the visual aspects of the selected images of insects and added sketches and colour swatches to show their ideas and concepts. The pattern on butterflies and specific beetle features grasped children's imagination and creativity.





EYFS have been taking part in the Learn to Ride scheme in association with Hadleigh Park Cycles (HPC). We are so pleased that some of our pupils, in only a few days have now learned how to ride a bike without stabilisers. The adults from HPC gave us some wonderful feedback about the outstanding behaviour of all who took part. Well done EYFS!

On 27th June, 28 children from Year 5 and 6 represented the school at this year's District Sports, competing in a range of track and field events. We are currently still awaiting the final results but a special shout out to Navis Junior, who qualified for the Year 6 80m sprint semi-finals, and to Hartley who finished fourth, for the second year in a row, in the Year 6 80m sprint final, and to the Year 6 girls relay team who won their heat at lightning speed and are now in with a great chance of medal... keep your eyes peeled!





Good luck and congratulations to Daisy Rouse for qualifying for the Dance World Cup competition! She's in Burgos in Spain and competes in a mini street dance team for England on Saturday. What an achievement!

A reminder that sports day is on Monday 7th July. Please ensure your child has a sun hat, sun cream applied and brings a water bottle with them. They can come to school in their PE kit which should consist of a t-shirt of their house colour (Blue, Red, Yellow or Green), PE shorts and trainers or plimsolls.

Have a wonderful weekend. Mr Davie

<u>ParentPay</u>

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 Two

7th - 11th July 2025

<u>Monday</u>

Chicken Fillet Burger

Veggie Burger

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Egg Mayo Bap Seasonal Fruit Medley

<u>Tuesday</u>

Beef Chilli Con Carne Vegetarian Chilli Con Carne Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Strawberry Jam Sandwich Ice Cream Tub

<u>Wednesday</u>

Roast Chicken, Yorkie Pud & Gravy Cauliflower & Broccoli Cheese Bake Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Ham Baguette Raspberry & Vanilla Sponge Cake

<u>Thursday</u>

Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Veggie Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Cheese Wrap Fruit Yogurt

<u>Friday</u>

Fish Fingers Veggie Fingers Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Tuna Mayo Sandwich Fruity Friday

Fairhouse Weekly Attendance Table

Elephants	94%
Pandas	88.3%
Hedgehogs	95%
Tigers	97.1%
Macaws	94.3%
Rhinos	97%
Jaguars	92.8%
Vaquitas	92%
Belugas	97.9%
Sea Otters	93.1%
Gorillas	90.3%
Saolas	85%
Galapagos Penguins	90.7%
Sea Turtles	92%

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



Unfortunately, this week, attendance was lower than it has been recently, meaning that none of our classes achieved 98% to earn them a spin on the wheel.

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

Class	Child	Core Value
Galapagos Penguins	Katherine	Kindness
Sea Turtles	Stanislav	Responsibility
Gorillas	Oliver	Responsibility
Saolas	Paige	Courage
Belugas	Teddy	Responsibility
Sea Otters	Dzesika	Kindness
Jaguars	Bogdan	Courage
Vaquitas	Zac	Kindness
Macaws	Tommy	Kindness
Rhinos	Brody	Responsibility
Hedgehogs	Lacey	Responsibility
Tigers	Eliza	Courage
Elephants	Ellie	Courage
Pandas	Ronnie	Responsibility

Dates for your Diary



<u>Monday, 7th July 2025</u> Sports Day:

Sports Day: Reception, Y1 & Yr 2: 9.15 - 11am Year 3 & 4: 11am - 12.30pm Year 5 & 6: 1.30 - 3pm

Tuesday, 8th July 2025

Year 4 Trip - Horniman Museum Year 3 Sharing Assembly - 2.40pm

Wednesday, 9th - Friday, 11th July 2025

Year 6 Residential Trip

Wednesday, 9th July 2025

Berlesduna Academy Trust Swimming Gala Reception Sharing Assembly - 9.15am

<u>Thursday, 10th July 2025</u> Archie Project Summer Picnic 1.20pm & 2.05pm

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

<u>Thursday, 17th July 2025</u>

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

<u>Monday, 1st & Tuesday, 2nd September 2025</u> 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 <u>8.15am</u>.

Parents <u>MUST</u> 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.



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 😏

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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.



<u>Break Time Snack</u>

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.







BERLESDUNA ACADEMY TRUST - VACANCIES

MERRYLANDS - MIDDAY SUPERVISOR - (11.67 hours per week) - closing date 8th July

For more information and to apply for any of these exciting opportunities, please follow the link to our website Vacancies - Berlesduna Academy Trust

