



Fairfields' News



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Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of half term has suddenly arrived! It has been a term packed full of events and the children have been brilliant.

We are really pleased to see so many children achieving Rock Legend and Hero using TT Rockstars and this is beginning to have an impact in the classroom, with children being able to recall their times tables much more quickly than before.

The Read, Write, Inc. programme in school is seeing some great results with our children making better progress and parents have also commented on how well their children are reading now.

Thank you to all of the children and parents who continue to support the topic homework in the school. The walkabout yesterday afternoon is always popular with our children who are really interested in seeing what the other children have created. Thank you to the parents who came to our Parents Forum on Monday. We discussed the Behaviour Policy and there were great suggestions which were raised, including clarification around Dojo points and House Points. We always do make changes to our policies based on parent feedback and we will discuss this with our School Council representatives and reissue a revised policy.

We also began discussions around homework. For this reason topic homework will not be sent out for the first two weeks of next half term. We would like to hold an additional Parent Forum to discuss homework and make changes before this is sent out again. The forum will take place on Monday 26th February at 2:30pm. Please come along if you have any suggestions on how we could improve the homework.

Finally, the children and staff all enjoyed the madness that was Mad hair day/ Maths Day. We hope that your children share some of the learning from the day with you.

Have a fantastic half term and we will see you back to school on Monday 19th February.

Kind regards,

Miss Kelly Dillon

Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES



Please be aware that occasionally dates have to be changed, so check newsletters regularly for any amendments.

Half Term 12th February - 16th February 2018

- 19.02.18 BookPeople Book Fair week
- 23.02.18 4P Presentation assembly (New date)
- 26.02.18 Parent Forum 2.30pm
- 27.02.18 Parents Evening 3.30-6pm
- 28.02.18 Parents Evening 3.30-6pm
- 01.03.18 World Book Day and Dress Up Day
- 09.03.18 Presentation assembly 5Y
- 16.03.18 Presentation assembly 1TM
- 29.03.18 Inset day

Half Term 2nd April - 13th April 2018

Half Term 28th May - 1st June 2018

- 23.07.18 Inset Day
- 19.11.18 to 23.11.18 Year 6 to Hindleap Warren, East Sussex

Head teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Requests to see Miss Dillon and Mrs Hopkins

Please note that Miss Dillon and Mrs Hopkins are on the gate each day before and after school and have the parent drop in sessions below free for any concerns.

Parent Drop in Sessions

Miss Dillon has a drop in session on Thursday 22nd February from 9 – 11pm.

Mrs Hopkins- Thursday 22nd February from 1.15—3.00pm.

Please see the office to make any appointments.

Mad Hair Day



Thank you very much for your donations for Mad Hair Day.

We have raised over £225 for St. Michael's Hospice in Basingstoke.

Parents Evening



Parents' evening will be on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th February between 3.30pm and 6pm. Appointments can be made online at www.scopay.com/fairfields. If you have not already set up an account with Scopay your child will bring home a letter with details on how to do so. Appointments can be made from 10am on Friday 9th February. This will give you the opportunity over half term to book the time that is suitable for you. Mrs Maycock will be having parents' evening appointments on Wednesday 28th February and Thursday 1st March. We look forward to seeing you then.

Healthy Packed Lunches

Does your child have a packed lunch?
Do you try to give your child a variety of food?
Will their lunch help them in their learning during the afternoon?

Please do think about what your child has to eat in their lunch box to give them the best chance you can to do their best in school during the afternoon.

Please note that we are a nut free school .



After half term is Week 2 for the Dinner Menu on the new Spring/Summer Menu. A hot dinner costs £2.00 for KS2.



English lessons

English lessons for non native speakers at Fairfields School.
Small groups - Experienced teacher
£40 for 10 sessions of 1 hour.
If you are interested then please leave your name at the office.
Thank you

Reminder about free parking at Castons car park

A note from Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council:

In an attempt to ease the parking situation around Fairfield's school, parents taking their children to the school can park for FREE for up to 30minutes in Castons car park, with access to the car park being gained via New Road. This will allow them to walk their children the short distance to the school in the mornings and collect them in the afternoons.

The 30 minute free parking will apply during the school dropping off and picking up times of 8.30am to 9.30am and from 2.45pm to 3.45pm. Parents will NOT be required to obtain a pay and display ticket from the car park ticket machines, and they must not park in any of the permit parking only bays.

Please display a note in your car to say that you are from Fairfield's Primary School

Please park considerately