



Fairfields' News



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Dear Parents and Carers,



We are nearly at the end of term and the last few weeks have gone really quickly. This week the children have enjoyed Science Day on Monday. The whole school participated in a range of science activities. Our buddy scientists were given some information about famous scientists in the assembly and we also saw children sharing knowledge they have. For example, Vinnay in Year 5 told me that train tracks and train wheels are both made of steel so that the trains can go faster. He also told me that Sodium and water mixed together is dangerous as it can explode. I hope that your children shared some of their experiences with you at home.

Our wonderful Foundation Stage pupils performed a brilliant Nativity to their parents this week. We are so proud of how they have settled into school and how independent they are. Well done to the Foundation Stage Team who have worked very hard to put the Nativity together.

Thank you needs to be awarded to the PTA and everyone who supported the Christmas Fair. The Fair raised just under £1000 and this will be used to pay for the additional lockers in Years 1 and 2. Thank you for continuing to support these events by attending them.

As a staff we are continuing to work on reasoning in mathematics and asking children further questions using the ladders displayed in the classroom. This will later help children apply their knowledge during test situations. You can also help us by asking your child to prove if their answer to a maths question is correct. This simple question will help your child to deepen their learning in mathematics. Finally, I wanted to remind you about two events next week.

Firstly, the topic walkabout on Wednesday 20th December at 3pm. Children will need to bring their topic work in the morning as the whole school will be viewing the work at 9am. Parents are invited at the end of the day at 3pm.

We also have our Church service at 2pm on Thursday. Please can you remember that places are limited. We look forward to seeing you there.

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.
- 15.12.17 FS2 Nativity 2pm
- 19.12.17 Hot Chocolate and Mince Pies Sale after school run by the School Council.
- 20.12.17 Topic Walkabout for Parents at 3pm
- 21.12.17 Christmas Service All Saints Church 2pm
- Please sign the list to attend that is in the office.
- Next week the list will be open if you require more than one place.
- Please try and keep buggies to a minimum at the church as space is limited. Thank you.
- 21.12.17 Last day of term
- Half term 22.12.17 to 04.01.18
- 04.01.18 Inset Day
- 05.01.2018 School Starts
- 23.01.2018 Parents Evening
- 24.01.2018 Parents Evening
- Half Term 12th February - 16th February 2018
- 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
21st December from 9 –11pm.

Mrs Hopkins- Thursday 14th December from 1.15 -
2.30pm.

Please see the office to make any appointments.

Home School agreement

Please could we have all home school agreements signed and handed in by the end of term please. Please check your child's book bag if you have not seen this letter or come in to the office for a new one.

Thank you

Menu Change for Thursday 21st December



Meat– Fish Fingers (MSC certified)

Vegetarian– Jacket Potato with cheese and baked beans

Served with chips, peas, pasta and baked beans

Pudding-Ice cream tubs

If you have ordered online could you please check you are happy with your child's choice.

Next week is week 3 on the dinner menu.

Thank you

Hot Chocolate and Mince Pies



The School Council have chosen to sell warm mince pies and hot chocolate on the playground after school on Tuesday 19th December to raise money for Basingstoke and Deane's current homeless project in the town centre, 'Real Change, Not Loose Change'.

All the money raised will go to the charity, who helped to house 32 homeless people in Basingstoke last winter through offering support such as night shelters.

Please come and join us, and have something to keep you warm in this cold weather!

Lunch boxes

These need to be named so that the lunch staff can tell if a pupil has eaten their lunch or not.

Please could you remind pupils to take their lunch boxes home with them from the class lunch crates at the end of day.

Please note that we are a nut free school.

Thank you



Lost Property



Please note that any lost property will be disposed of that is not collected by the end of term.

Thank you