

Monday 14th September 2020

Fairlawn

Primary School



Dear Families,

Welcome back to the new school year; we hope you all had a restful summer. We are so proud of how quickly the children have settled into their new classes and adapted to all the new rules.

Covid Guidance Update

Please remember to adhere to start and finish times; this is very important to minimise congestion. We have had a number of requests from parents asking us to ask parents to wear masks when picking up and dropping off children. Fairlawn is unable to enforce the wearing of masks, but certainly, in these uncertain times it might be something you would like to consider. Thank you all for working with us to ensure the safety of all.

Coronavirus Test

If we contact you to collect your child from school due to them feeling unwell with a cough, or a temperature of 37.8 or above, they will be unable to return to school until they have been tested for Covid-19. The test result will then have to be emailed admin@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk Please follow the link for more information; <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested>

Parent Forum 28th September at 6pm

We will be holding a parent forum via Zoom to have an open conversation about diversity and racism at Fairlawn. During our recent Inset Day, we spent a morning virtually with the BLAM Charity (Black Learning Achievement and Mental Health) We look forward to sharing what we have learnt. The code for the meeting will be emailed out to you all.

School Lunches and Dinner Money

Lunches cost **£2.30** a day. Lunch money for the first half of the Autumn Term is **£80.50** and for the second half is **£80.50**. The full term lunch money is **£161.00**. Please pay via ParentPay or mark cheques clearly with your child's name and class, and return via your child's classroom. Please be aware that packed lunches are to contain **NO** nuts, sweets, chocolate bars, fizzy drinks, or peanut butter sandwiches.

Year 3 Lunches

If your child has gone into Year 3, they will no longer be entitled to a universal free school meal. Unless you have informed the office of a change of lunch, your child/ren will automatically be provided with a school lunch and you will be charged **£2.30** per day. If you wish to change to packed

lunches, you must let Francesca in the office know today.

Achievement Awards

All of Year 1 and 2 are stars

The KSI teachers have been blown away by how well the children have settled into their new classes and adapted to the new changes. **Year 1** have been so independent and resilient whilst transitioning into Key Stage 1 and we are extremely proud of them.

Year 2 have adapted to the changes and have produced some fabulous learning this week!

3E, 3F, 4A and 4E - All of the children in Years 3 and 4 are stars this week. They have returned to school with great energy, a super appetite for learning and they are showing wonderful kindness towards adults and one another. We are super proud of them all.

5M, 5S, 6C and 6MC are all stars! We have been so impressed with how the children have settled in. They have been extremely respectful, safe and have shown so much positivity towards their learning. Well done; we are very proud!

Requesting Days off

If you need to request an absence for your child, for any reason, excluding medical appointments, you need to request permission from the Head Teacher. We can only authorise absences for exceptional circumstances. Paper requests are no longer accepted. Please email fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net to place a request.

Medications

If your child requires medication throughout the day, please give consent via email. We will be unable to administer medications without you first giving consent. Please email fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net. Thank you.

Free Online Cycle Skills Course Launched

To get teachers and parents back on their bikes and to help them travel more safely, TfL are offering a free online course for both experienced and new cyclists. The Cycle Skills course covers everything from getting your bike set up for your first ride to tips for cycling safely in London. Of particular interest is the 'Cycling with Children' module, which is great for teachers and parents looking for active travel options for the school run. Although the course is designed for adults, it is also ideal for college students, education staff and parents, who are keen to start cycling. The courses can be found at <https://cycle-skillsonline.tfl.gov.uk/>

Have a great week.
The Fairlawn Team.

www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk



Lewisham Parent & Carer's Forum

What's On! Bulletin for parents and carers of children with additional needs and disabilities.
<https://mailchi.mp/7f1d603bd7e0/whats-on-8-sept-2020>
Lewisham Parent & Carer's Forum Trustee.

Fairlawn PTA News

A warm welcome to all our new parents in nursery and reception! As parents you are all automatically members of the PTA (there is no escape!) and everything we do is done on a voluntary basis – that includes everyone on the PTA Committee, people putting on our fabulous events, and all the parents, families, and local businesses that so generously sponsor our work.

Each year we agree with the school a priority theme and then develop a programme of events (and funding bids) that can help the plans become a reality by raising vital funds. Last year was all about improving Fairlawn's playground and play activities

This year fundraising and events will look a little different so we really need people to step forward both with their creative fundraising ideas and willingness to help virtual events happen so that we can continue to raise funds to support school projects. Please email: pta@fairlawnschool.net.

Fairlawn PTA Committee

Interested in getting involved in the PTA? We have vacancies on the PTA Committee for a secretary and for events organisers. We are keen to ensure that the PTA represents *everyone* in the school so if you are interested in helping with the planning side of things, admin or the decision-making please do get in touch.

Fairlawn PTA newsletter

Can you take over drafting the PTA news section for the Fairlawn newsletter? This is a small weekly task that publicises the work of the PTA and events. Please contact: jewittkate@hotmail.com if you can help with this.

PTA Class reps

Please let us know if you are happy to continue as class reps by Friday 18th September. We are looking for a class representative from Reception and Nursery classes too. This role involves informing parents about PTA events and requests, and encouraging parents from your class to get involved in PTA activities. If you would like to take on this role, please contact: pta@fairlawnschool.net

Dates for the diary:

Fairlawn PTA virtual AGM 7pm: October 19th via Zoom. All welcome. Please do join the meeting. Further details to follow.

Sign up to Your School Lottery

Congratulations to Gemma Murray, our School Lottery winner this week! Do sign up to help us raise funds by joining Your School Lottery for as little as £1 per week. <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/fairlawn-primary>