

Monday 14th December 2020

Fairlawn

Primary School



Dear Families

Welcome back to Nursery, Reception, and Years 1, 2, 3 and 5. It was so lovely to see you all in school today and well done for engaging so brilliantly with online learning. Please remember to return your borrowed devices. This is our last newsletter of 2020. We have a few reminders but also some good news to share!

Self-Isolating- a reminder

The self-isolation period has been reduced today from 14 days to 10 days. When your child has been asked to self-isolate this means, they must not leave your home not even to go to the park. It is really important that we all stick to these guidelines to stop the spread of Covid-19. Please ensure you keep your child at home if they are unwell and notify us at school.

Parking

We have had a number of complaints from our neighbours about inconsiderate parking. The area by our temporary side entrance is resident's parking only and we should not be parking outside the Christian Fellowship building. We could lose access to our side entrance if our community do not change their parking habits. It is far healthier to encourage your child to walk to school.

Christmas Cards

This year in place of our usual postal system, we are recommending that if your child wishes to give out Christmas cards they do this tomorrow. They can bring them to class where the cards will be quarantined. We will distribute them on the last day of term.

Donations

A very warm thank you for all your marvellous donations of food and Christmassy items to Lewisham Voluntary Services. We delivered these last week and they were gratefully received.

Assembly

This week's assembly has the theme 'A Global Gift'. Alongside acknowledging the challenge that this year has provided we shared the news that we have finally brought running water to Mumena School in Zambia. This has been made possible through our partnership work with Trident Prep school and the sponsored money that both schools have raised. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 15th December –Bring in your Christmas Cards

Wednesday 16th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 16th December – Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 17th December – Last day of term. Children return to school on **Tuesday 5th January**.

Stars of the Week

1P – Nina - for always being a determined and independent learner. She has such a brilliant can - do attitude. Well done, Nina! **1W** - **Nora** - for always making good choices and putting 100% effort into her learning. She is such an independent and resilient learner and is a role model amongst her peers! **2K** – **Nuriyah** - she is so enthusiastic about all her learning and is a fantastic role model to everyone in 2K. Well done for settling in so well to Fairlawn Nuriyah! **2T** - **Shilo-King** - for his amazing learning attitude this week and for being incredibly independent with his learning.

3E – **Dorothy** - because she has shown tremendous emotional resilience this term and lots of independent skills currently in managing Zooming lessons. What a superstar!

3F – **Zhi Xin** - she is such a positive person and always brings happiness to everyone around her. It really is lovely to have that sunny presence in 3F. **3S** – **Davin** - who has brought energy and enthusiasm to our week of learning from home. Reading Davin's writing and seeing his cheerful face made a strange week feel more normal. **4A** - **Karina** - she is such a respected member of 4A - she is polite, very hardworking in class and shows excellent commitment to learning outside of school. **4E** – Jonathan - for his brilliant attitude to learning, excellent debating skills and showing great resilience and perseverance when given feedback. **5M** – **Sofia** - for always being focused in lessons and for being an amazing role model. Sofia's writing this week has blown me away yet again by using rich and carefully selected vocabulary as well as challenging herself with her sentence structures. **5S** – **Oscar** - for his resilience in his writing. This term he has put so much effort into his Literacy learning, persevering even when he finds a task challenging or frustrated. He has shown growth, maturity and determination. A true superstar! **6C** - **Maya** – for always being such an enthusiastic learner. She contributes great ideas during class discussions and is a fantastic learning partner. Her Oracy performance was also fantastic! **6MC** – **Kiara** - because she has been so creative in her literacy writing. She is also someone who is always ready and respectful, making her an excellent role model

**Have a fabulous and restful Festive break,
The Fairlawn Team**



Fairlawn PTA News

Scavenger Hunt

A Scavenger Hunt is taking place from 17th - 20th December to raise funds for the PTA. Look out for further details via email and your class reps next week!

Class-by-Class Contributions

Many thanks to all our class reps who have set up justgiving pages to help raise funding for the PTA via voluntary donations. An even BIGGER thank you to everyone who has already donated. So far, we have raised an impressive £4,772 via 143 donations! The school have emailed details for each class. If you have not received details and would like to contribute please email, pta@fairlawnschool.net and we will try to connect you.

Easy Fundraising and Amazon Smile

Please remember to use Easyfundraising when doing your Christmas shopping, your weekly grocery shopping, booking holidays or paying utilities. Log into Easyfundraising, set up your account benefiting Fairlawn and access your favourite online shopping sites from there. You will raise funds with each purchase at no extra cost to you. Please encourage friends and relatives to do the same. <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fairlawnpta/>

Sign up to Amazon Smile and link your account to Fairlawn PTA. It costs nothing, can be set up in less than a minute, and raises money direct to PTA.

Sign up to Your School Lottery and Lottery Gift Vouchers

Congratulations to Kyla Goody, our School Lottery winner last week. Do sign up to help us raise funds by joining Your School Lottery for as little as £1 per week. 76% of this funding comes back to the school community - 40% to the PTA, and 36% into prizes. It really is a win-win! <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/fairlawn-primary>

Christmas shopping is not easy this year. We have a perfect solution – Lottery Gift Vouchers! For every £5 gift voucher you buy, our school receives £2, and the recipient gets 5 chances to win £25,000! Offer ends 19th of December. Here is the link for buying Lottery Gift Vouchers: <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/gift>

Lost Property

Please take a moment to check for any missing belongings. We have a large amount of lost property in the lower playground. It would really help us if **all clothes were clearly labelled** with a name and class. Thank you.

Bike shed

We are pleased to announce that our bike shed, situated at the bottom of the vehicle slope, is back in action. You can store your child's bike or scooter here during the day. We strongly encourage you to avoid travelling to school by car. Walking or wheeling is far better for our health, safety and the environment.

Mr Aldridge's Sports News

Eat Them to Defeat Them

In February 2021, the national campaign 'Eat them to Defeat them' returns. As usual, the focus will be on healthy eating. More details to follow in the New Year.

Sporting Achievements

Now that many of the children's external sports clubs have reopened after lockdown, do not forget to send us your child's sporting achievements, so that they can be celebrated in our weekly newsletter: saldridge@fairlawnschool.net

Surprising but True

Did you know that American swimmer Michael Phelps has won more gold medals at the Summer Olympics (23) than both Portugal and Mexico have won since the Games began in 1896?

Even more Surprising but True

Did you know that in 1971, Alan Shephard and Edgar Mitchell made history when they became the first people to play 'sport' on the moon? The Apollo 14 astronauts participated in their own "lunar Olympics", with Shephard hitting a golf ball and Mitchell throwing a makeshift javelin.

MR. BALOGUN'S 'SPORTS STARS' WILL RETURN IN JANUARY 2021!

Music Lesson Updates

Brass lessons: We currently have spaces, if you would like to learn to play or for any other music lesson enquiries, please contact gillianjones.horn@btinternet.com.

Violin lessons: We are going to have some spaces available in the New Year. If you would like to register interest, please email tsharpe@fairlawnschool.net