

Monday 19th April 2021



Dear Families,

Welcome back. We hope you have had a restful Easter holiday and are looking forward to this summer term as much as we are.

This week's Assembly

At the start of every term, we like to revisit our rules of ready, respectful and safe and our three core values of friendship, responsibility and empathy. We have asked the children what these look like in the classroom, around the school and in the playground. We also introduced our international learning with a focus on Africa. We want our children to understand that Africa is a continent of many countries and languages that is rich in history. We briefly touched upon the repatriation of the Benin Bronzes to Nigeria as our very own Horniman Museum was in the news over the Easter holidays about this. We learnt that Africa has over 1500 languages, it has snow and ski resorts and that it is separated from Europe by just 9 miles.

OPAL

Children have a right to play Article 31. We are an OPAL school. This stands for outdoor play and learning. Children spend 20% of their school life at play and we believe that this should be a rich and valued experience. When Covid guidance changes, we hope to open up more areas for play and to allow our year groups to mix. Play is a regular item on our pupil parliament agenda and they have plans to ask the PTA to fund the building of a large sandpit and for an in-ground trampoline. You can find out more about play on our website, on our twitter feed and the Opal website.

<https://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/outdoor-play/opal/>

<https://outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk/>

Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to those of you that have already completed our parent questionnaire. We really value your feedback. The deadline for completion is this Friday 23rd April.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/85RNJZY>



Well done to last term's stars. Next Monday we will announce our new stars of the week.

Lateness

This term we will be recording children who arrive late to school because we noticed that towards the end of last term, time keeping was slipping. It is important that children arrive on time, so they are ready for the start of their lessons. Lateness has an impact on everybody's learning.

Please see below for a reminder of what time school starts for your child:

Reception	9 am
Years 1 and 2	8:45 am
Years 3 and 5	8:50 am
Years 4 and 6	8:55 am

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. Please email Michelle; mpay@fairlawnschool.net to place a request.

Census 21 Display

Thank you to Ms Mackenzie for all her hard work organising our successful Let's Count day last term. She has made a fabulous display of all our learning that she will enter into a nationwide competition. We think it is a winner!



Have a great week
The Fairlawn Team



Mr Aldridge's Sports News
saldridge@fairlawnschool.net

Fairlawn PTA News

Easy Fundraising and Amazon Smile

Please remember to use **Easyfundraising** when doing 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 our School Lottery winners over the Easter break; Will Cutler, Miranda Bates, Sarah Underwood and Huw Parry. 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>

Lost Property

Please ensure that your child's clothing is labelled as this makes it much easier for us to reunite them with lost possessions. Please note that if we find the owners of unnamed clothing, we will write their names on the labels inside.

Lunch Changes

If you would like to change your child's meal arrangements for this term, please email Francesca; fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net. If you do not email to inform us of any change, you will continue to be charged for a lunch. Lunches should be paid for in advance. **All outstanding dinner money must be settled please. Thank you.**

School Lunches and Dinner Money

Lunches cost **£2.30** a day. Lunch money for the first half of the summer term is **£66.70** and the second half is **£78.20**, total term lunch money is **£144.90**. Please pay via ParentPay. Please be aware that packed lunches are to contain **NO** nuts, sweets, chocolate bars, fizzy drinks, or peanut butter sandwiches.

Nursery

If your child was born between 1st September 2017 and 31 August 2018 and you would like a nursery place for September, please email Michelle mpay@fairlawnschool.net.

SPORTS NEWS WILL RESUME FROM NEXT WEEK

Music News

tsharpe@fairlawnschool.net

Music lessons are beginning again for children in Key Stage 2. We are happy to say we are able to offer a number of places to study a woodwind instrument with Mr Pearson. Available instruments are flute, clarinet and saxophone.

To register interest, please email; Mr Sharpe tsharpe@fairlawnschool.net