

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022



## Dear Families,

We are pleased to announce that last week, we achieved a platinum award for play at Fairlawn. According to Michael Follett, this puts us in the top 0.05% category for outstanding play in the UK! We are working on plans to continue to improve our site and expand opportunities for outdoor play and learning.

Please look out for parents evening letters going out this week. These will be in-person meetings. **Year 5 parents evening will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 3.50pm-7pm.**

## Assemblies

Today, Ms Etherington launched Black History month with a thought-provoking assembly using the theme of 'hidden histories'. She referenced two history stories linked to things we might take for granted (a pair of scissors and the Horniman Museum). Tomorrow, Mr Evans will be leading an assembly to introduce our new pupil parliament and to allow the children to hear speeches from potential candidates, for the role of school prime minister.

## Teaching body safety with music

We would like to share with you a useful resource for teaching 'body safety' to young children. 'My Body is My Body' is available in several languages. Resources for the programme are free of charge and can be found here: <https://www.mybodyismybody.com/>

## This Week's Vocabulary

Each week we teach our children the meanings of three challenging words.

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
dehydrated	gazed	chronology	vacant	sparse	voracious
lonely	narrow	exhausted	innovative	treacherous	belligerent
invent	reek	belief	light-hearted	ominous	bombard

## Diary Dates

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October – 5E trip to Charles Dickens Museum**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October – 5T trip to Charles Dickens Museum**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October – 6S trip to Chislehurst Caves**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Individual photos**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Individual photos**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October – 6C trip to Chislehurst Caves**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Festival assembly**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October – 4pm – 7pm – Parents Evening**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – 4pm – 7pm – Parents Evening**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Half term. Children return to school on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October.**

**W/C Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Bikeability Course for Year 6**

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Reception and Year 6 – Height and Weight**

## Learning Heroes of the Week

Congratulations to all our learning heroes!



	Resilient	Reflective	Collaborative	Curious	Independent
1P	Miranda	Lucas	Elliott	Aliya	Samantha
1W	Naylarey	Enoch	Ottillie	Arthur	Noah
2K	Tristan	Bonnie	Adam	Sahar	Anaya
2F	Abdalla	Flora	Ruben	Chigozirim	James
3E	Rocco	Zachary	Emerald	Gabriel	Grace
3G	Jerry	Ashira	Alfie	Freddie	Lily
4A	Justin	Romaysaa	Katy	Maya B	Reggie
4G	Aren	Lucia	Kira	Alexander	Hamish
5E	Alec	Aiden	Bradley	Gordon	Merry
5T	Bruna	Eiden	Eva	Thomas	Bea
6C	Yusuf	Anna	Emily	Tom	Faith
6S	Amelie	Daisy	Leo	Tianna	Muna

**Have a great week,  
The Fairlawn Team**

[www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](http://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk)

## School Reminders

### Dyslexia Awareness Week

This week is Dyslexia awareness week. Government statistics state that 10% of the population has dyslexia. Dyslexia can affect any child of any ability. It can impact on much more than reading and writing. Understanding how to support our children can really boost their self esteem and their outcomes.

We have been lucky enough to organise for Suzanne Jessel, a dyslexia specialist from the Bellhouse in Dulwich, to come to talk to us about dyslexia and ways that we can support our children.

This talk will be useful and informative for all.

Please join us on **Wednesday 5th October at 6pm** in the school hall.

### Harvest Festival Donations

We are collecting donations for our local foodbank, the Hope Centre in Malham Road. They particularly need the following items; UHT milk (semi-skimmed or full fat), long-life juice, tins of tomatoes, sweetcorn, pulses, fish, fruit and rice pudding, biscuits, rice, cooking oil, pasta sauce, tea bags, shower gel, toilet rolls, nappies (larger sizes), baby wipes, washing up liquid and strong carrier bags. We are happy to make referrals to the foodbank. Please contact Emily Bruggy [ebruggy@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:ebruggy@fairlawnschool.net)

### Starting Reception

Children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 are eligible to start school in September 2023. Applications can be made online between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 – 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

You must apply online directly to your local authority via [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)

If you need any assistance, please contact Michelle – [mpay@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:mpay@fairlawnschool.net)

### Secondary School Open Days

If your child has a secondary school induction/open day, please email Francesca with the dates, detailing the times and if your child will return to school. [fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net)

### Applying to start secondary school 2023

If your child is due to start secondary school in September 2023, the deadline for submitting your application is **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022**. If you have any queries or require help, please contact Michelle in the office; [mpay@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:mpay@fairlawnschool.net)

### School Lunches and Dinner Money

If you would like to change your child's lunch option for this term please email Francesca, [fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net) Lunches cost **£2.30** a day. Lunch money for the first half of the Autumn term is **£80.50**. The amount for the second half is **£80.50**. The amount payable for the whole of the Autumn term is **£161.00**. Please pay via ParentPay.

## Absence from School

If your child is absent from school due to sickness, or any other reason, we must be informed before **8.45am** on the first day of absence and **everyday thereafter**. Please report your child's absence on the designated absence line, or email [fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net) explaining the reason for absence. **If your child is suffering from diarrhoea or vomiting, they cannot be in school until 48 hours after the last bout of the illness.**

### 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](mailto:mpay@fairlawnschool.net) to place a request.

### Punctuality

School starts at **8:45 am**. We are marking your child as late if they arrive after 8:55am. If your child arrives 10 minutes late every day, that adds up to almost an hour of school lost every single week!

### Medications

If your child requires medication throughout the day, please come to the office to complete an authorisation form. We are unable to administer medications without a completed consent form. Please email Francesca [fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:fmarbaix@fairlawnschool.net) if you have any questions. Thank you.

### Volunteers Needed!

Thank you to those of you who have already been in contact. We would love to have more volunteers. You could support outdoor learning, listen to children read, support in class or help children with their Maths passports and more! Just an hour a week of your time is a great help to us. If you can spare some time please let Ms Ryans know. [hryans@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:hryans@fairlawnschool.net)

## Music Lessons

If your child would like to have music lessons, please see below for contact details;

Brass Lessons; Christine Norsworthy;  
[norsworthy.christine@gmail.com](mailto:norsworthy.christine@gmail.com)

Guitar Lessons; Martin Budd;  
[martinbuddguitar@hotmail.com](mailto:martinbuddguitar@hotmail.com)

Flute/Sax/Clarinet;  
[efellows@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:efellows@fairlawnschool.net)

# Mr Aldridge's Sports News

## Mini Marathon

A huge well done to all the children and adults who took part in the London Mini Marathon around St James' Park on Saturday. It was an amazing experience for everyone; here's the list of entrants:

**Year 2:** Flo, Ella, Niall, Hunter, Alfie and George.

**Year 3:** Art, Amelie, Otis, Zachary, Jasper, Jesse, Shay, Poppy, Grace and Gabriel.

**Year 4:** Patrick, Honey, Poppy, Miguel, James, Maude, Maya, Thea, Albert, Hamish, Ivy and Angelica.

**Year 5:** Abigail S, Samy, Nuala, Joseph R, Axel, Isabella, Ada, Noah, Oisin, Beau, Matilda, Bruna, Bea.

**Year 6:** Abi, Frankie, Anna, Faith, Alex, Conrad, Marlena and Molly.

## Autumn Term Sports Clubs

Tuesday – Years 5/6 Boys Football Training

Wednesday – Year 3 Multi-Skills with Mr Gomez

Thurs (am) – Years 5/6 Girls Football Training

Thursday (pm) – Year 4 Basketball with Mr Gomez

Friday (pm) – Year 5 Basketball with Mr Gomez

**After-school sports clubs run from 3:30pm-4:30pm**

## Sporting Achievements

At Fairlawn, we love to hear about the children's sporting achievements. Please send any sports news my way and it will get a mention here in our weekly newsletter: [saldridge@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:saldridge@fairlawnschool.net)



## Fairlawn PTA News

### PTA Class Fundraiser

THANK YOU for the incredible response to the class fundraiser 2022, your donations have raised over £2,700 for the children. The money will be split between the classes for the teachers to buy additional, focused resources, especially for their class of 2022/23. There is still time to donate, please use the link below. Thank you.

[Fairlawn Class Fundraiser 2022](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/fairlawnclassfundraiser2022)

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Thank you for your support and generosity 😊

### PTA Social/AGM

The start of term PTA social/AGM will be held tomorrow, **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm** at the Watsons General Telegraph. We really hope as many people as possible can join us to share thoughts, ideas and experiences. A special invite to all new parents

and carers to the school. We all look forward to welcoming you.

## Christmas cards

A huge thank you to Sarah Dyce who has run the Fairlawn Christmas card fundraiser for the last couple of years.

We are looking for **new volunteer(s) to kick start Christmas at Fairlawn** and take over this role. Sarah has kindly agreed to help hand over so please do let us know if you are interested. This is such a special fundraiser, much loved by family and friends who receive personalised Christmas cards designed by the children. Please email [pta@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:pta@fairlawnschool.net)

## PTA Calendar

Thank you for all the interest and offers of support for the PTA this year. We are currently meeting with the school to finalise the calendar of key events and will publish here soon!

## Easy fundraising

Easy fundraising is a great way to raise funds for the PTA without even noticing! See the link to watch the demo

[Fairlawn PTA EasyFundRaising Demo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IwRfpKJgcKY)

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## Class reps

Please ☐ all class reps email [pta@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:pta@fairlawnschool.net) with their name and mobile details.

## Contact the PTA team

The PTA would love to hear from you if you have any ideas or suggestions or if there are any events you think the children would really enjoy supporting or getting involved in we would really appreciate your input. Please contact [pta@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:pta@fairlawnschool.net) and we will be in touch.

## Join the team

If you would like to join the team and help co-ordinate events or have any ideas or suggestions, please do email [pta@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:pta@fairlawnschool.net)

## 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 **Aveen Croash**, 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.

[https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/fairla](https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/fairlaw)

[wn-primary](#) and search for Fairlawn.

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**YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY**

# Calling All Wizards

SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY AND YOU COULD WIN:

**Harry Potter & The Cursed Child Family Theatre Voucher** & **Harry Potter Warner Brothers Studio Family Tour Ticket**

- Please help boost our school fundraising
- Cash prize every week
- Win up to £25,000!
- Tickets cost just £1 a week

To play the lottery, go to:  
**www.yourschoollottery.co.uk**  
and search for: Fairlawn

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 29<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022. Terms and conditions apply (see website)