



## Dear Families,

Thank you to the PTA for organising a wonderful Winter Fair on Saturday and to everyone that gave up their time to make it such a success.

We have had a number of queries about whether there are extra seats, for the evening performances of our winter shows. Unfortunately, due to health and safety restrictions, we are unable to allocate more than two seats per family and with just one hall; we are unable to have more than one performance. Siblings will be watching the class rehearsals. We are very lucky that James Branch and Luke Tchalenko have agreed to film the performances for those who will miss them.

## Assembly

Well done to our brilliant brass musicians for their festive performance in assembly today. Thank you very much to Christine Norsworthy for her dedication to our pupils.

## Santa Dash

This Friday, the PTA are helping us to jazz up our mega mile with a Santa dash. Please see the PTA news for more information.

## Internet safety notice

### What is Discord?

Discord has been around since 2015 and whilst it has been seen as the social media app for gamers, this has changed. Discord is becoming very popular, not just for gaming, but by many children simply as a means to keep in touch with friends and family or joining others in conversations on servers. Some may not have heard of Discord before so it's worth reading this article from Childnet. <https://www.childnet.com/blog/what-is-discord-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers/>

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

## Learning Heroes of the Week

Congratulations to all our learning heroes!



	Resilient	Reflective	Collaborative	Curious	Independent
1P	Eva	Laurie	Justice	Lenny	Joshua
1W	Kali	Mimi	Arthur	Marley	Luka
2K	Hunter	George	Scarlett-	Romiah	Alfie
2F	Brandon	Presley	Ayana	Eleanor	Evelyn
3E	Genevieve	Christabel	Anna Maria	Angelica	Zakariye
3G	Maddie	Abi	Layla	Otis	Louie
4A	Jace	Thea	Maya B	Aaliyah	Lealaurel
4G	Azura	Maya	Patrick	Michael	Aren
5E	The entire class have been learning heroes this week- well done!				
5T	Sadie	Isabella	Samy	Aljaye	Noah
6C	Macymae	Nigel	Ronella	Molly	Karina
6S	Robin	Suleman	Frankie	Zakira	Oliver

## Vocabulary of the Week

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

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
disappointed	secure	sediment	conductor	century	impenetrable
regret	anticipate	extinct	insulator	inventions	privilege
smirk	achieve	withered	energy	labour	reverberating

## Diary Dates

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – The Snow Queen  
Pantomime funded by PTA

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2:30pm** – Year 1 and 2  
Winter Show

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper and  
Christmas Lunch Day

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Parent Governor  
Elections

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2:30pm-** Nursery and  
Reception Nativity

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Last day of term, children  
return to school on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

## School Reminders

### Starting Primary School in 2023 – Advice and Support for Lewisham Families

Lewisham Council is running a free informal event for parents to learn about the primary application process. They will be offering friendly and supportive advice from Admissions, Family Information Service, Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), and Free School Meals teams.

This will be held on Wednesday **14<sup>th</sup> December from 9.00am-6.00pm** at Catford Library.

[Book your slot on the 'starting primary school in 2023' event at Catford Library](#)

### 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 email Michelle [mpay@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:mpay@fairlawnschool.net)

### 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!

### School Lunches and Dinner Money

From **1<sup>st</sup> January 2023** the cost of a child lunch increases to **£2.50** a day. Lunch money for the first half of the Spring term is **£70.00**, the second half is **£75.00**. Please pay via ParentPay. Please be aware that packed lunches are to contain **NO** nuts, sweets, chocolate bars, fizzy drinks, or peanut butter sandwiches. If you would like to change your child's lunch option for next term, please email Francesca, [fmbarbaix@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:fmbarbaix@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; No spaces currently but will be added to the waiting list  
[martinbuddguitar@hotmail.com](mailto:martinbuddguitar@hotmail.com)

## Mr Aldridge's Sports News

### St Michael's 5-5 Fairlawn

A huge well done to the boys' football team who drew 5-5 with St Michael's last Monday in one of the best games that the Monday Night Football League has ever seen. Despite leading for the majority of the game, the team were cruelly denied a famous victory by a last gasp screamer. All the boys were fantastic with the goals coming from Yusuf (2) and an excellent hat-trick from Leo R.

Tonight, the team face another tough match against Kilmorie. We will let you know how they get on in next week's newsletter.

### Lewisham School Games Football Festival

A huge well done to the girls' football team who finished with a fantastic record of 6 wins, 1 draw and 1 defeat at the Lewisham School Games festival at Sedgehill Academy last Tuesday. Despite being drawn in the 'group of death', and facing both the eventual winners and runners-up at the start of the day, the team played with fantastic heart, spirit and skill. Incredibly, they only conceded one goal in the entire day.

Here are their results:

- 1) Fairlawn 0-0 All Saint's (eventual winners)
- 2) Fairlawn 0-1 Haberdasher's (eventual runner's-up)
- 3) Tidemill 0-2 Fairlawn
- 4) Fairlawn 1-0 St. Francis Drake
- 5) Turnham 0-1 Fairlawn
- 6) Fairlawn 1-0 St Margaret's Lee
- 7) St. Stephen's 0-1 Fairlawn
- 8) Fairlawn 1-0 St. Francis Drake

A massive thank you to all the parents who supported the team and drove the players to and from the competition.

### Autumn Term Sports Clubs

Tuesday – Years 5/6 Boys Football Training

Wednesday – Year 3 Multi-Skills (ends 7<sup>th</sup> December)

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

Thursday (pm) – Year 4 Basketball (ends 8<sup>th</sup> December)

Friday (pm) – Year 5 Basketball (ends 9<sup>th</sup> December)

**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: [saldrige@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:saldrige@fairlawnschool.net)



## PTA News

### Winter Fair Thank You's

Enormous thanks to Vicky, Anna, and Yvette for the huge effort organising the amazing Winter Fair. Thank you to everyone who helped throughout the day and with all the preparations and to ALL who came and supported the event. It was just such a special way to join and enjoy all the festivities with the school community.

Thanks to all the local businesses who supported the raffle this year, some of the very generous sponsors listed below. Please do remember these businesses when out locally. All raffle prizes will be distributed this week.

Vaidas Bicycles  
Begging Bowl  
Herne Tavern  
Two Spoons  
Dishoom  
Browns of Brockley  
Accolade Wines  
Atsuko cookbooks  
Yogarise studio  
Eos

Finally, thanks to all who bought a Fairlawn Christmas tree, we hope you enjoyed decorating it. Thanks to all the delivery team, especially **Ana-Luzia from 5T** who professionally managed the tree collections.

### Santa Dash – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December



### Fairlawn Christmas trail 1<sup>st</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> December



### ### Instagram ###

Follow us on Instagram #fairlawnprimarypta

### Calendar of Events

We are really pleased to publish the following events for the 2nd half of the autumn term 2022. Thank you to everyone at school for accommodating these events. Please do note, these are subject to last minute changes and cancellations etc.

**1<sup>st</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> December** - Winter Trail

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December** - Sponsored Santa Dash

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Panto - The Snow Queen

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** - Year 3 Festive Cake Sale

### 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 **Yvette Moore**, 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/fairlawn-primary>

and search for Fairlawn.



Christmas is now well and truly on the horizon, and we have the **PERFECT** prize! On **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December** someone could win what is without a doubt the **BIGGEST** prize we've **EVER** offered!

Everyone has had trouble getting their hands on one of these recently, so we're thrilled to be able to announce our big prize for the December draw – a **MASSIVE PS5 bundle!** This incredible prize includes a PS5 (disc edition), extra controller, 3 amazing games, an official PlayStation Pulse headset, and loads more goodies – as well as a 43" 4k Ultra HD Smart TV to play it on!

