



### Dear Families,

We thoroughly enjoyed International Mother Language day last Wednesday. Did you know that there are over 35 different languages spoken at Fairlawn!

We are looking forward to seeing parents in school this week for our Spring parents' evenings.

### Assembly

In our play assembly today, we discussed how to play safely and the children compiled a wish list of loose part donations. Please see our poster at the end of the newsletter for items we would really like.

### World Book Day

On World Book Day, 7<sup>th</sup> March, we will be celebrating reading and storytelling at Fairlawn. Children are welcome to come in dressed as their favourite character from a book. If possible, please bring in the book that has inspired their character. On the day, all children will be using a cardboard box to create a prop/setting or costume linked to a book they choose. Please donate any cardboard boxes (cereal box size and up) to your class teacher.

If you would like to be a storyteller for the afternoon, please contact Mr. Evans by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

### Author Inspiration

Last week, Years 3, 5 and 6 met former Children's Laureate Malorie Blackman, online, for an exciting talk about her life as an author. The children were given lots of advice on how to improve their writing and how to strive to become an author.

### Pupil Parliament News

Last Monday, Pupil Parliament connected with Baroness Thornton, who has been a member of the House of Lords for 26 years. She spoke to the children about her role and then the children were able to ask her a variety of questions about aspects of her life in the House of Lords.

### Reading Ambassadors

In last week's assembly, Mr. Evans launched applications for reading ambassador roles from Years 2-6. Children who are interested in this role should design a poster to promote reading at Fairlawn. The application date has been extended until **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March**.

### Phonics Workshop for Reception and KS1 – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 9am

We will be running a short workshop to demonstrate and support using phonics books at home on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 9am**. Please do join us straight after drop-off in the Art Room.

Have a great week, The Fairlawn Team

### Learning Heroes of the Week

Congratulations to all our resilient learning heroes for showing the following characteristics!

- Perseverance
- Seeking challenges
- Risk Taking
- Positivity



### This week's class heroes are:

1P	Matilda	Leo	Oscar
1W	Ella	Ian	Shania-Rose
2K	Marko	Samantha	Buddy
2L	William	Ala	Niyah
3B	Ella	Eleanor	Chyna-Rose
3E	Neo	Bonnie	Romiah
4P	Maya	Liyana	Art
4R	Louie	Ruby	Christabel
5E	Albert	Shilo	Katy
5T	Gaia	Bilal	Maggie
6A	Aurelie	Aljaye	Thomas
6BD	Ayse	Neriah	William N

### Weekly Attendance

1P	97.14%	3B	93.81%	5E	97.78%
1W	99.29%	3E	92.27%	5T	93.33%
2K	94.98%	4P	88.63%	6A	100%
2L	97.5%	4R	98.89%	6BD	93.23%

Congratulations to **6A** with **100%** attendance last week! and **1W** who had the highest attendance last week! They will be caring for our Attendance Axolotyls.

**Congratulations 1P, 4P, 4R and 5E** who all had the best punctuality.

School starts at 8:45

## Diary Dates

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** - World Book Day  
**8<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> March** - Science Week  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** - Red Nose Day (wear red & donate £1)  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** - Haseltine Careers Fair  
**Weds 27<sup>th</sup> March 2:15pm** - Year 2 Assembly to parents  
**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March** - Play Day and Last day of term  
**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April** - Children return to school  
**Holiday Dates link:**  
<https://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Holiday-Dates-2024-2025.pdf>

## Reminders

### Breakfast Club

If you are dropping your child off at Breakfast Club, please make sure you bring them up to the hall and do not leave them at the gate to walk up alone. Thank you.

### Late pick up

If you are running late to collect your child please inform the office. If you have not arrived to collect your child by **3.45pm** you will be charged £4 per child. If you have not arrived by 4pm your child will go into After School Club, where you will be charged £12.

### School Lunches and Dinner Money

If you would like to change your child's lunch option for this term please email Francesca, [f.marbaix@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:f.marbaix@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk).

**For Nursery children**, the cost of a lunch per day is £2.50. Please pay via ParentPay. Please be aware that packed lunches should not contain **nuts, sweets, chocolate bars, fizzy drinks, or peanut butter sandwiches.**

### Absence from School [attendance@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk)

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** on the above email address.

## Music Lessons

[e.fellows@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:e.fellows@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk)

**Brass lessons** or to join Brass Band: Christine Norsworthy (trumpet, cornet, French horn, tenor horn, trombone, baritone & euphonium)  
[norsworthy.christine@gmail.com](mailto:norsworthy.christine@gmail.com)

**Piano lessons:** Matt Ridley; No spaces currently, but you will be added to the waiting list [mattridleybass@gmail.com](mailto:mattridleybass@gmail.com)

**Woodwind** (flute, clarinet & alto sax) and violin lessons: Spaces currently available.  
[efellows@fairlawnschool.net](mailto:efellows@fairlawnschool.net)

**Drumming lessons;** Murray Anderson; No spaces currently, but you will be added to the waiting list [murray.anderson@lewishammusic.org](mailto:murray.anderson@lewishammusic.org)

**Guitar lessons;** Martin Budd; Please email; [martinbuddguitar@hotmail.com](mailto:martinbuddguitar@hotmail.com) for further info.

Spaces available from January for one to one violin lessons with professional violinist, Shelley Deacon, contact email - [shelleyhector@hotmail.com](mailto:shelleyhector@hotmail.com)



**Mr Aldridge's  
Sports News**

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

## Blackheath Saturday League - Update

A huge well done to the girls' football team who completed two excellent victories in the latest round of matches in the Blackheath Saturday League:

Match 1: Fairlawn 2 - 0 Kender (Bea & Bruna)

Match 2: Fairlawn 4 - 0 Good Shepherd (Nuala, Bea, Maggie, Bruna)

The team fully deserved both victories and were particularly impressive in their victory over a very physical Kender team.

They are now undefeated since their opening defeat of the season and are preparing well for their Primary Stars Regional Finals on 20<sup>th</sup> March.

## Years 5/6 Swimming Gala Trials

Last Thursday, we took 34 swimmers from Years 5 and 6 to Forest Hill Pools to take part in swimming gala trials. There was plenty of talent on show and we were very impressed with the children's speed and technique.

The gala itself takes place at Glassmill Leisure Centre on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Our squad will be announced later on this week.

## Years 3/4 Football Festival

On Thursday, we will be taking a squad of 10 children from Years 3 and 4 to the Lewisham School Sports Partnership (LSSP) football festival at St Dunstan's School. We will let you know how they got on in next week's newsletter.

## Intra School Skipping Competition

This term's LSSP intra school competition is skipping. Over the next few weeks, children in Years 1-6 will see how many successful skips they can complete in two minutes. Those children who complete the most skips will qualify for our whole-school skipping finals at the end of term. Currently, children in Years 1-4 are learning to improve their skipping technique through their weekly Indoor PE lessons.

## Spring Term Sports Clubs

**Tuesday** – Years 5/6 boys football training

**Wednesday** – Years 4/5/6 girls multi-sports club

**Thursday** – Years 5/6 girls football training (am)  
Years 2/3 football club

**Friday** – Years 3/4 football club

## 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.



## PTA News

### Cake sale

Year 1 are hosting a cake sale this Friday, 1st March. Text CAKE1 to 70580 to donate £1 for a yummy purchase!

### PTA Team

We continue to look for volunteers for a new leadership team for the PTA. Luckily, we have an amazing treasurer, but we are still seeking a wider committee to run events, fund raising and strategy etc. Please speak to Vicky, Anna or Pippa if you can help in anyway or have any suggestions or ideas.

[pta@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:pta@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk)

### Dates for diary

Friday 1st March - Year 1 cake sale  
W/c 4th March - Book day launch  
Friday 22nd March - Easter Bounce  
28th March - Year 2 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

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.

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Mr Evans

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