



Fairholme Primary School

'We believe we can achieve'.



A message from Mrs Harris our Headteacher:

My first term as the Headteacher of Fairholme is completed and what a privilege it has been.

It has certainly been a busy half term, full of lots of fun learning, building relationships and setting ourselves new challenges. I have many hi-lights, from my weekly Headteacher's Hooray, to watching children in Reception starting to learn to read, seeing our KS2 children excel in the athletics competition, watching how children across school are embracing their topics and immersing themselves in their learning – the list is endless!

I am very proud of how our school community has been living out our six school values and how much of a part of our school they are. How many of our school values can you and your child name?

December has been a wonderful month and full of the celebrations of Christmas. A big thank you to Mr Harvey and his kitchen team for prepping the most delicious Christmas dinner for the staff and children. Last week we enjoyed watching Christmas Performances from all Year Groups and the singing was joyful! The children worked very hard learning their lines and practising the songs. Thank you to the staff for their hard work in putting the performances together.

Merry Christmas to Everyone, have wonderful break – recharge, relax and read.

Fund Raising



Our first ever **Christmas Fair** was a huge success, it was a brilliant evening led by the Salvation Army serenading us with Christmas Carols. We are very grateful to Father Christmas who gave up some time in his busy Christmas schedule to spend some time with us at the fair. Ho...ho...ho...!

The raffle was a big success, we had some fantastic prizes donated. Congratulations to all that won.

We raised £1679 which is just fantastic and will be put towards buying some much-needed school resources.

A huge thank you to all our staff and our Parent Governor, who worked so hard to make the fair such a success.

Kindness

One of our school values is kindness and we particularly focus on this with the children at this point in the school year.

We are proud to say that the children raised £327 for **Save the Children** by wearing Christmas Jumpers. We have also been collecting for **Great Ormond Street Hospital** and will continue this until the end of this week.

Thank you for getting involved and for your generosity.



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Reading

Reading is the secret!

Reading is the key to helping your child unlock the entire curriculum.



When reading, children can lose themselves in another world, be a different character or go on crazy and wild adventures!

Please do try to find time over this festive holiday to enjoy reading with your child, just 10 minutes a day can make a real difference.

Get to know our new Site Manager **Mr Barrett**.

Some children interviewed Mr Barrett, and this is what they asked him:

Favourite Football Team – QPR

Favourite Food – Pizza

Favourite Colour – Blue

What do you like about working at Fairholme? – the friendly, happy environment that is around school.

What do you enjoy doing at the weekends? Playing football, watching football - anything football!

Mr Barrett works very hard keeping our site safe, clean and organised. If you see him, do say hello!

Uniform - It is so important that all children are wearing the correct school uniform to school, it really does matter and helps them feel part of Fairholme.

Please do make sure your child returns in January wearing the correct uniform including smart school trousers or a skirt – no jogging bottoms please and no black hoodies.

Thank you for your support with this.

Attendance Matters

Our school target is **96%**

Over this past term our overall whole school attendance **94%**

Please do make sure your child is in school every day unless they are unwell.

If they are unwell, please remember to call the office and to keep us informed.



Key Dates

Monday 8th January – Inset Day for children

Tuesday 9th January – Start of the Spring Term

Big Bake Sale – keep an eye out for a date for this

Friday 9th February – End of Spring 1

Monday 12th – Friday 16th February – Half Term

Keep an eye out for dates for a carboot sale and an exciting Easter Event!

Wed 20th/Thursday 21st March - Parent's Evening

Wed 27th March – Curriculum Showcase

Question of the week

Would you rather jump into a pool of chocolate pudding or a pool of strawberry ice cream?

Thought for the week

A little thought and a small amount of kindness are often worth more than a great deal of money.

Respect Honesty Responsibility Kindness Self -belief Aspiration

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