



Fairholme Primary School

'We believe we can achieve'

A message from Mrs Harris our Headteacher: The sun is finally shining and school is busy, busy, busy...it was fantastic to see so many families and friends who were able to come along to support the children at Sports Day. The children all did incredibly well and showed great sportsmanship to one another. Preparations for the Dance Festival are well under way, in every corner of the school you will find a child or teacher dancing at the moment! The children are also working hard on some final pieces of artwork that will be displayed in the Art Exhibition, for you to come and view in a few weeks' time. This is always a great celebration of some of wonderful, creative pieces of art that the children choose to celebrate. Year 6 children are singing, learning lines and rehearsing all in preparation for their end of Year production, 'Oh What a Night'. The children are already so proud of how the rehearsals are going so we are very excited for the final production!

Attendance – our whole school target remains at 96.4% and currently it is 94%. A big well done to Reception last week who, as a year group, achieved the highest attendance across the school and to Lilac Class for being the class to achieve the highest attendance. Well done! Please do remember that it is vital if your child is not in school, that you inform us as soon as possible. If you don't inform us and we can't get hold of you, we are required to call all the contacts on your child's contact list until we are able to speak to someone and contact yourself. Thank you for your help with this.

Parent Governor – as you will know we had four parents who were nominated for the role of being a Parent Governor, which is great. Voting for this closes this Wednesday 26th June, please do remember to go into the school office to have your vote. The role of a Parent Governor is a very important one, so please do get involved and have your say.

The roof over the Reception corridor is being replaced, work on this started a few weeks ago but is about to start in full and this will involve some scaffolding going up in the KS1 and Nursery Playground. We are not anticipating that this will cause an interference, but if you do have any concerns or questions, please do let the office staff know. Thank you.

At the children's request, we are using money raised at the Christmas Fair and that we won for gaining the most amount of blue tokens in two Tesco stores, to have the graphics all repainted on the Key Stage 2 playground and some new graphics added in. We are just waiting for a final date for this. We are continuing to fund raise for some new climbing equipment!

What has been happening across our school

Year 1 – Year 1 kicked off their new topic 'Crash, Bang, Wallop!' with a fabulous music workshop. The children all learnt how to play a Bamboo Tamboo and Djembe drum, they listened well and played some rather tricky rhythms. We have some budding musicians amongst us..!



Year 4 – Recently, the children learnt about the Ancient Greek times, which was the hook into their learning. The children had to use their inference skills to work out what the artefacts were. They played with Ancient Greek spinning tops, which were quite tricky to use. The last part of the session the children acted out different Greek Myths, including Theseus and the Minotaur as well as Medusa. It was great fun!





Nursery - are embracing all things insect related. They are reading a story by the same author Eric Carle, 'The very busy spider.' We've learnt some spider facts and are going to go on a 'Bug Hunt'. We will even make some homes for insects too.

Reception have been enjoying watching caterpillars grow, connected to their story 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. They have been mapping out the story in order to start writing a longer piece of writing. We are so proud of their progress in writing this year.

IF YOU READ JUST ONE BOOK
A DAY TO YOUR CHILD,
THEY WILL HAVE BEEN
READ 1825 BOOKS
BY THEIR 5TH BIRTHDAY.

EVERY BOOK COUNTS.

Please keep reading to your child, as often as you can, it is so important for children to be continually hearing adults reading stories to them.

Please keep doing this through from Nursery all the way through to Year 6!

Year 2 - To start off our new topic Coast to Coast, in Year 2, we visited West Wittering beach, a truly memorable experience for the children and surely one of the highlights of their years at primary school. The visit although quite recreational, also gave the children a first-hand experience about coastlines and different animals and habitats that are found along the coast.



In Science, we are learning about habitats and are learning about living and non-living things for which the children went on an exciting and adventurous walk around school to look for different mini beasts!

Year 3 - This half term, we started our topic 'Eco Warriors' with a wonderful trip to the 'Wetland Centre' in Barnes. The children had a fantastic time exploring the beautiful lakes and wildlife areas. We learnt about how we can look after our planet by being more mindful of the plastic waste that is created.

To find out more about this fantastic place to visit please search the website for more information <https://www.wwt.org.uk/wetland-centres/london/>

The children all went home with a pass so that a child can attend for free with a paying adult. Year 3 would definitely recommend another visit.



Year 5 are well into their topic - Terrible Tudors! They have enjoyed analysing portraits of Henry VIII, thinking about the image he wanted to show. They will be creating their own versions, using grid drawing to help them to achieve this. In English, they are writing stories where people are transported to new places through a portal.

Year 6 - are well into their final half term with us at Fairholme and we just can't believe it! They have begun their transition activities with a Transport for London workshop focused on traveling safely to secondary school.

Excitement is building for their 'Come Dine With Me' cooking day, inspired by the flavours of Mexico.

Additionally, letters to reserve tickets for their End of Year Production have been sent home—please return them as soon as possible.



Trained Anti-Bullying Ambassadors at Fairholme

At the end of May, we were lucky enough to be able to take 10 children in Year 4 and Year 5 to Anti-Bullying Ambassador Training, organised by The Diana Award. They took part in a variety of activities, including looking at what it feels like to be bullied, what strategies they can use to promote kindness, a definition of what bullying is (and isn't), how they can help solve problems, and some scenarios where they had to decide what behaviour was and was not bullying.

Each one had a training booklet to complete and earned a special Anti-Bullying badge. They have already had their first meeting in school since half term, and are looking forward to developing their role further in September. Look out for more updates in our newsletter.

You can find out more about the Anti-Bullying Ambassador Training here:
<https://diana-award.org.uk/our-programmes-and-initiativesanti-bullying>

Our Anti-Bullying Policy is available on the school web site. We have a special children's version of the policy too – if you would like a paper copy of this to share with your child, they are available from the school office, or ask Miss Bridger for one.



Summer Fair

The 5th July is fast approaching, please spread the word to help make our Summer Fair a success.

Raffle Tickets are on sale and the prizes include a very cool bike, a tablet, several vouchers for days out, an MOT, uniform, meals out high street vouchers etc and more!



Sports - Congratulations to our Year 5/6 Quadkids team! They did an amazing job at the West London Quadkids Finals at Brunel University in Uxbridge. This came after their great performance at the local borough finals, where they proudly took 2nd place.

The children competed in several challenging events: a 75m sprint, a 600m run, a vortex throw, and a standing long jump. We are very happy to say that they represented Fairholme wonderfully. They showed our school values throughout the competition. Well done to all the children involved – you have made us all very proud!

We are also excited to announce that our Year 1/2 and Year 3/4 Quadkids teams will be competing soon. We wish them the best of luck and know they will have an excellent experience as well.

Reading

At Fairholme, we value the importance of reading, as it is a vital part of every child's learning and development. The website below has a list of books chosen with your children in mind; stories that are real, vibrant, and full of life's adventures.

[100 books for every year group.](#)

Happy reading!

Phonics – are you trying to support your child to learn phonics?

Please follow the link to view how to say **pure sounds**. Pronouncing sounds correctly is so important. <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

This is the parent part of Little Wandle Letters and Sounds.

Please explore how we teach Phonics and some fun Nursery Rhymes videos to support Reception and Nursery.



Science



Did you know that this week, from the 24th to 30th June, it is Insect Week!

Visit www.insectweek.org for exciting ideas to discover insects in our local environment and explore a wealth of resources to learn about these fascinating creatures.

Parking – A reminder, that we have had some further requests from parents and local residents to remind members of our community, who drive, to please park respectfully along Peacock Avenue. To ensure pedestrians and buggies can pass and that parking is considerate.

Summer Camp

Sport Impact are hosting a holiday camp this Summer Holiday at Fairholme.

Monday 29th July - Friday 2nd August
Monday 5th - Friday 9th August

They will be running a number of fun activities including:

- Minimum 2 hours of physical activity daily.
- Hot Healthy Meals
- Arts and Crafts/ Face painting
- Smoothie making
- Trip to Hobbledown Farm!

To book your space visit Class4Kids, you can scan the QR code on the flier below.

If you are eligible for means tested Free School Meals, you will receive your Evoucher for holiday activities over the Summer holidays on Friday 28th June.

You can redeem these on the Holiday Activities website - scan the QR code on the flier.

Summer Dates



Summer Fair – 5th July
Art Exhibition - 8th July
Dance Festival and picnic - 12th July
Year 6 end of year Production – 16th July 3.30pm
Children meet their next year's teacher – 17th July
Reports sent out to Parents – 18th July
Optional Parents' Evening – 22nd July
End of the school year 12.30 – 24th July

2024 – 2025 Dates

Inset Days – 2nd and 3rd September
Children return to school – Wed 4th September.
October Half Term – 28th October to 1st November
Inset Day – 4th November
Christmas Holidays - 20th December at 12.30pm
Spring Start of Term:
Inset Day – Monday 6th January
Children return – Tuesday 7th January

Uniform – Please do have a read of our new school uniform leaflet as you as you start to think about buying uniform for September. It has been so lovely to see lots of red jumpers, summer dresses and PE t-shirts creeping in to school. The school jumpers that we ordered, for everyone who requested one, will be arriving soon and we are looking forward to handing these out.

Eco Councillors



We are very pleased with our new Friendship Benches that were thought of and chosen by the children who are our Eco-councillors. It is the ideal place for children to practice our value of kindness.



Question of the week

Would you rather eat pizza for breakfast every day or pancakes every night for tea?

Thought for the week

Believe you can and you're halfway there.



Maths

Both in KS1 and KS2 we use a range of strategies to help support children in accessing different operations that are linked to their understanding of place value.

Here are 2 methods/models that we consistently use in school. If appropriate to do so, ask your child if they can demonstrate how they would use them. The more practise they have in using and applying these methods the more confident they will be in their mathematical thinking.

the whole

a part a part

The Part Whole Model

The part whole model is a way of representing the relationship between a 'whole' and its component parts. The diagram is used when students are learning to partition whole numbers, fractions, decimals and create number facts. This representation is used alongside bar modelling, which was shown in the last newsletter, and can help children to identify inverse operations, too. Some examples can be seen to the left.

$5 - 4 = 1$
 $1 = 5 - 4$
 $5 - 1 = 4$
 $4 = 5 - 1$

Operations with Bar Models

<p>Addition</p> <p>$60 + 30 = 90$</p> <p>$60 + 30 = 90$</p>	<p>Subtraction</p> <p>$90 - 30 = 60$</p> <p>$90 - 30 = 60$</p>
<p>Multiplication</p> <p>$4 \times 5 = 20$</p> <p>$4 \times 5 = 20$</p>	<p>Division</p> <p>$25 \div 5 = 5$</p> <p>$25 \div 5 = 5$</p>

The Bar Model

This method has become more and more popular in schools across the UK due to its success within the Singaporean education system. It works by showing a clear visual representation of a calculation and we use them across the school as the children can draw them easily on the squared paper in their maths books to help with the calculations they are performing. Some examples can be seen to the left.

Have some fun with your child and maths:

- Play the estimating game - Who can guess how long the journey will take?
- Try to find patterns of shapes - petals, brickwork, paving etc
- Use timers and scales when cooking.....and so on!



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AGES

6 - 12 YEAR OLDS

TIMES

9:00AM - 3:30PM



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PLEASE NOTE:

PARENTS MUST BOOK BEFORE ATTENDING.
FULL WEEK OR INDIVIDUAL DAY BOOKINGS ARE AVAILABLE.



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