### WE ARE 'REACHING HIGH'

# **Fairlands News**

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#### **Dear Parents and Carers**

Issue 17

Welcome back to everyone after the half term break! We have an extremely busy end to the summer term ahead of us, with Sports Day and our Open Afternoon, not to mention the Year 6 Production and the multitude of other things that will be going on. Please check the website regularly to get the latest news and diary dates – <a href="https://www.fairlands.herts.sch.uk">www.fairlands.herts.sch.uk</a>.

#### Robert Staples Headteacher

#### **GYMNASTICS COMPETITION**

Yesterday, two teams from our after-school Gym Club took part in a Gymnastics Competition at Marriots Gym Centre. Both teams performed very well. Our KS1 team come 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and the KS2 team came 2<sup>nd</sup>. Many of the children returned to school proudly wearing medals!

#### **NURSEY TO RECEPTION MEETING**

Parents of children moving from Nursery to Reception in Septemer are invited to a meeting in the Lower Hall at **9.15am** next **Wednesday**, **10**<sup>th</sup> **June**, where you will meet the Foundation Team and find out more about your child starting full-time school.

#### **THANK YOU!**



A special thank you goes to Mrs Val Sandover and Mr Alan Horner, for putting together a bid to get new playground markings for the KS2 playground.

We have just found out that the bid was **SUCCESSFUL** and we have been given £1000 to spend on posh new thermoplastic markings, including a football/netball pitch, cricket pitch and two multi-skill markings.

Well done & thank you for taking the time to secure this funding for the school!

#### ATTENDANCE AWARD



Congratulations to **Lime**, who won the award the the last week of half term with **97.5**% attendance.

#### **SUN AWARENESS!**

Please apply plenty of **sun cream** to your child **before** school and send them in with a **sun hat**. Please also ensure that they bring a short-sleeved t-shirt with them for PE, and **not a vest top**.

**Asthma sufferers** should ensure they have their inhalers with them at all times, clearly labelled with their name and class.

Children who suffer from **hayfever** should remember to take their medicine before school and be encouraged not to play on the grass!

#### **PARENT FORUM**

You are invited to come along to the next Parent Forum on **Thursday**, **11**<sup>th</sup> **June at 9.05am** in the Learning Room, to meet Mr Staples and other parents/carers and discuss your views of the school.

#### LADIES PAMPER EVENING

Ladies – are you in need of some pampering? Why not book yourself in for a treatment at the Friends of Fairlands' Ladies Pamper Evening on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> June. Some treatments are still available to book, including manicures, pedicures, facials, spray tanning, waxing, indian head massage, reiki, massage, reflexology. There will be various stalls and free skincare, make-up and fragrance advice. £4 admission (includes 1 free alcoholic or soft drink).

#### FRIENDS OF FAIRLANDS FAMILY FUN DAY SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JULY

Don't forget to put this important date in your diary! The Fun Day will run from **12.00 until 3.00pm on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> July** - there will be lots of fun for the family including stalls and activities and displays by the children. Beat the Credit Crunch with our "Great Days Out" raffle and a Car Boot Sale. Refreshments will be on sale throughout the afternoon, including a BBQ and ice creams.

If anyone would like to book a stall or a Car Boot pitch please contact Sue on 07930 513 168 or contact Max on 01438 351053. Cost £8.00 per stall/pitch.

### SAINSBURY'S & TESCO VOUCHER COLLECTIONS

This year's Sainsbury scheme has now ended and the Tesco scheme ends on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> June. Please ask all your family and friends to search for vouchers in their purses, wallets, kitchen drawers, glove compartments, etc and send them into school!

So far, we have collected **11,700 Tesco** and **7,300 Sainsbury's** vouchers. Please send your vouchers in as soon as possible, as we now need to send our orders off. Thank you for all your support.



## The Wakey Wakey Club!

Our popular Breakfast Club is held in the dining hall and runs every day, Monday to Friday.

The club is open to all Fairlands' children from Nursery to Year 6 and runs from **8.00am** until registration

(Foundation & KS1 children are walked to their classrooms)

Cost: £2.00 for first child, siblings £1.70 (Free school meals £1.50)

No need to book - just turn up at 8.00am

#### **NESTLE BOX TOPS**

We have just received a cheque for £51.40 from this year's collection of Box Top Tokens which we are using to purchase a class set of skipping ropes. Please continue to send your tokens in as we can use them towards next year's scheme.

#### FREE SCHOOL MEALS - ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

The renewal letters for all children eligible for Free School Meals were sent out this week.

As mentioned previously, the system for applying for Free School Meals is now much easier. Just fill in your application form online at <a href="https://www.hertsdirect.org">www.hertsdirect.org</a> or phone the Customer Service Centre on 01438 737370 or 01923 471370, and the rest will be done for you. Your application will be processed within 7 days.

Even if your child does not have school dinners, if you are entitled to Free School Meals, please still apply as this will benefit the school.

DATES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2008/2009	
Wednesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> June 9.15am	Meeting for parents of children moving from Nursery to Reception
Thursday, 11 <sup>th</sup> June 9.05am	Parent Forum
Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm - 11.00pm	Ladies' Pamper Evening
Tuesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Fathers Day Present Room
Wednesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
Sunday, 5 <sup>th</sup> July 12pm – 3pm	Friends of Fairlands Family Fun Day
Thursday, 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Secondary School Visit
Tuesday, 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Children's Reports being sent home
Wednesday, 15 <sup>th</sup> July 4.00pm - 6.00pm	Open Evening
Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Last Day of Term : 2.15pm Finish
Wednesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	INSET Day
Thursday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Return to School