



HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
**FAIRLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY**

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# **Starting School**



**Foundation Stage  
Autumn Term 2012**

# **Over the next few weeks, your child will be working on the topic Starting School!**

**They will be taking part in a series of activities, including:**

- Going on a tour of the school
- Using the school i-pads to record their journey
- Learning how to use the areas of learning in the classroom
- Making a map of their classroom
- Being paired with an older buddy in the school
- Identifying areas around the school that they like and dislike
- Identify ways of improving their immediate environment
- Going on a visit to the Stevenage Library
- Celebrating Harvest Festival

**Your child needs your help and involvement!  
Please get involved by:**

- ☐ **Helping your child to develop their self-help skills such as zipping up their own coat and changing their clothes ready for P.E**
- ☐ **Come along to the 'Open School' session and look around the school with your child on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> at 3.30pm**
- ☐ **Make a food donation towards the Harvest festival**
- ☐ **Volunteer to come with us on our trip to the library**
- ☐ **Come to see our year group assembly on Wednesday October 18<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm**

# **What does your child know about Starting School?**

**Before the Topic...**

**After the Topic...**

**Sit down with your child and help them record what they know about the topics, BEFORE and then AFTER they have learnt about it at school.**

# What else is happening?

## SEAL Time

Each half-term, we focus on a particular aspect of Social & Emotional Aspects of Learning (S.E.A.L).

This half-term, we will be looking at the theme of 'New Beginnings'.

## Supporting your child at home

Please support your child by making sure that they take part in a reading activity daily. Why not choose from one of the following activities each day: sharing a book before bed, playing i-spy, playing a game from the games library, reading their school book.

Children can change their class library book daily.

## Clubs

<b>Breakfast Club</b>	<b>Every morning 8.00 – 8.50am</b>
<b>Skills 7 Football</b>	<b>Mondays 3.20 – 5.00pm</b>
<b>Credit Union</b>	<b>Tuesdays 3.15pm</b>
<b>Games Library</b>	<b>Fridays 8.50 – 9.10am</b>

## Forthcoming Events

<b>'Open School'</b> <i>Come and have a look around!</i>	<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>  <i>3.30pm</i>
<b>'What goes on in the Foundation Stage?'</b> <i>A parent information evening</i>	<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September</b>  <i>5.30pm Lower Hall</i>
<b>Harvest Festival Assembly</b>	<b>Wednesday 10th October</b>
<b>Parent Consultations</b>	<b>Monday 15th October 5.30 – 8.00pm</b> <b>Wednesday 17th October 3.30 – 6.00pm</b>
<b>Visit to Stevenage Library</b>	<b>T.B.A</b>
<b>Year group assembly</b>	<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October</b>  <i>2.30pm Upper Hall</i>
<b>End of Half Term</b>	<b>Friday 26th October</b>