

WE ARE 'REACHING HIGH'

Fairlands News

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Dear Parents and Carers

There are still a number of children who regularly arrive at school after 8.50am and, therefore, have to sign in the late books. We really need to work together as a whole school to improve this.

Please ensure your child is at school, ready to be collected by their teacher by 8.50am for Reception to Year 6.

Morning registration is taken promptly so the children are settled quickly and ready for their first lesson. This is an extremely important time of the day for your child and it is really unsettling for him/her to walk into a class when he/she is regularly late. **It will also mean that they are likely to be missing out on their daily Big Maths session before assembly.**

Please do not hesitate to contact us if there is a problem with your child arriving at school on time in the mornings.

Robert Staples
Headteacher

SECONDARY SCHOOL OFFERS

It is an exciting day for our Year 6 children, as they will find out which secondary school they have been offered. Allocation emails will be dispatched after 6.00pm today. Parents - please remember to log in at www.hertsdirect.org/admissions to accept or decline your offer.

MONDAY 4TH MARCH

Please be aware that, due to a course being run in school on Monday, 4th March, staff will be parking on the Year 5/6 car park. Please be assured that no-one will be driving across the footpath during the morning school run. Parents' car parks will be open as usual.

MOTHERS DAY PRESENT ROOM

The Fairlands Faces are running a **Mothers Day Present Room** during the day on **Tuesday, 5th March** and after school in the upper building library area.

Gifts will range from 50p – £1.50. Your child should bring their money into school on Tuesday, in an envelope clearly marked with the name and class.

For Foundation Stage and KS1, please also make a note on the envelope of whom they are buying the present for.

PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS

Parent Teacher Consultations are taking place on **Monday, 11th March (3.30 – 6.00pm)** and **Wednesday, 13th March (5.30 – 8.00pm)**.

Nursery Parent Consultation Days are on **Wednesday 13th March (9.00 - 5.00pm)** for **September starters** and **Wednesday 20th March (9.00 – 5.00pm)** for **January starters**.

Please ensure you return your appointment request slip(s) to school by **Tuesday, 5th March**. Appointments will be sent home on March 7th.

Spare letters are available from the school office or can be downloaded from the school website.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

	w/c 11/2
ASH	78.6
BEECH	78.5
BIRCH	73.9
CHERRY	93.1
CHESTNUT	89.7
ELDER	90.7
ELM	92.6
HAZEL	96.8
HORNBEAM	95.9
LIME	93.2
LARCH	95
PINE	91.6
POPLAR	93.7
WALNUT	90.6
WILLOW	95.6

SCHOOL MEALS REMINDER

This academic year, we made some important changes to the way in which we collect dinner money. May I remind parents/carers of the following:

- All dinners must be paid for up front. If the dinner has not been paid for, we will not be able to give your child a school meal that day.
- We ask that you pay in advance, by Monday morning, for all dinners that your child will have that week.
- We ask that you use Wisepay where possible, as this is easier for us to manage than cash payments. Please contact the school office if you have mislaid or need us to issue you with Wisepay log in details.

PACKED LUNCHES

If your child brings their own packed lunch to school, please could we ask that you do not include nuts or nut products (including peanut butter), as some of our children have nut allergies. Thank you for your support with this matter.

SCHOOL MILK FOR THE SUMMER TERM

Nursery milk is free to all nursery children and for any child who is in reception class and is 4 for the whole of the term, as this is Government funded. All children in Reception to Year 2 who are eligible for free meals will also get free milk.

If you wish your child to receive milk every day the charge for the summer term is £11.70. This must be paid for in advance, as only the number paid for will be ordered. Orders must be received by **Friday 22nd March 2013**. Please contact the office for further details.

IS YOUR CHILD STARTING NURSERY SCHOOL IN 2013/14?

If your child was born between 1st September 2009 and 31st August 2010 you can now apply for a nursery place for the school year 2013-14 - **application deadline 22nd March 2013.**

The quickest and easiest way to apply is on-line at www.hertsdirect/admissions - **application deadline 22nd March 2013.** Parents who do not have the facility to apply on-line are welcome to come into the office and use a computer. If you would like help with completing your application, please contact the office first to arrange a convenient time.

DATES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2012/2013 (NEW DATES ARE SHOWN IN BOLD)

Tuesday 5th March	Mothers Day Present Room
Monday 11 th March 3.30 – 6.00pm	Parent/Teacher Consultations
Weds 13th March 9.00 – 5.00	Parent/Teacher Consultations for Sept Nursery Starters
Weds 13 th March 5.30 – 8.00pm	Parent/Teacher Consultations
Thursday 14 th March	Class Photos
Thursday 14 th March 2.45pm	Year 3 Parents' Class Assembly
Weds 20th March 9.00 – 5.00	Nursery Parent Teacher Consultations Jan Starters
Thursday 21 st March	Easter Discos
Weds 27 th March 2.45pm	Year 2 Parents' Class Assembly
Thurs 28 th March	Last Day of Term 2.15pm finish
Monday 15 th April	INSET Day
Tuesday 16 th April	Return to School
Mon 13 th –Fri 17 th May	Year 6 SATS
Mon 20 th – Fri 24 th May	Year 4 to Cuffley Camp
Mon 27 th –Fri 31 st May	Half Term