



WE ARE 'REACHING HIGH'

Fairlands News



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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been another busy term at Fairlands! You only have to take a quick look at all the Blogs to get a feel for all the exciting things that have been going on in each year group. Thank you to all the teachers and teaching assistants for all their creativity in making the curriculum so engaging, and their hard work every day making exciting things happen for our children!

I hope you have an enjoyable Easter break and look forward to seeing you all back in school at **8.50am on Tuesday 21st April.**

Robert Staples
Headteacher

EASTER DISCOS

Last week's Easter Discos were a great success; raising over £670 for school funds.

Thank you to the Fairlands Faces for organising the event. If you are interested in helping the 'Faces' with any future events, please give your name in at one of the school offices and we will ask them to contact you.

FIR & ELDER MINI OLYMPICS

Fir and Elder classes had a great time at the KS1 Mini Olympics at Stevenage Leisure Centre last week. They had the opportunity to try lots of different sports and represented Fairlands School with lots of enthusiasm.

YEAR 5/6 NETBALL

Well done to our Year 5/6 netball team who won 1-0 in their match against Round Diamond School last week. The children all demonstrated good sportsmanship and teamwork. We have a few matches booked after the Easter break too, so to keep an eye out for how we get on.

FAMILY LIVES PARENTING COURSE

Sara Hassell, our Family Lives Worker, is running a 6 week course called '**Bringing Up Confident Children**' every Tuesday from 28th April 9.00 -11.15am in the Family Room. A FREE crèche will be provided.

If you would like to book a place please contact Sara on 07805 523480 or contact the school office.

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Our new language focus relating to food has got off to a good start. MSA's have reported hearing lots of children using the phrase 'bon appétit' (enjoy your meal) in the dining hall this week! After half term we will be learning the phrase 'J'ai faim' which means I am hungry. Your child can get a head start on the food vocabulary, for next half term by visiting the [bbc schools primary languages website](http://bbc.schools.primary.languages.website).

We have now had the opportunity to build our vocabulary relating to a range of topics such as greetings and the weather. Please remind your child to use their new French phrases at school, in order to earn a Modern Languages certificate.

NEW MENU

The new **Spring/Summer Pupils' Choice School Menu** was sent home yesterday.

After Easter, you will find a copy of this menu on the school notice board by the main entrance gate. Please ensure your child has chosen their meal before morning registration.

NURSERY LUNCH CLUB PRICE INCREASE

The cost of Nursery Lunch Club will increase by 50p after Easter as follows:

Own Packed Lunch/FSM: **£2.50 per day**
School Meal: **£4.55 per day**

ROAD USERS PLEASE BE CURTIOUS

We have had a number of worrying reports of cars travelling at speed along Pound Avenue at the start and end of the school day. Car drivers - please take extra care and be patient at these busy times of the day to avoid a serious accident happening.

WELL DONE

Congratulations to Leigha Sewell in Ash class, who has passed her Level 8 badge at Stevenage Sports and Acrobatics Club.

Also congratulations to Carolanne Sewell in lime class, who has just successfully passed her kickboxing grading and has moved to blue belt with KR Kickboxing.

PRIMARY ALLOCATIONS

Parents will be notified of their allocated Primary School by email on the 16th April. You will need to click on the link to accept/decline your offer.

If you came into school to make your application and we used the school email, we will contact you on Monday 20th April to let you know your allocation.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

	w/c 16/3	w/c 23/3
ASH	94.3	92.3
BEECH	89	96.6
BIRCH	98	97
CHERRY	87.9	95.2
CHESTNUT	95	96.7
CEDAR	97.7	96.3
ELDER	95.2	96.6
ELM	95.2	87.2
FIR	97	92
HAZEL	93.3	93.7
HORNBEAM	96.7	93.1
LIME	96.5	97.3
LARCH	92.9	96.8
PINE	95.2	92.6
POPLAR	93.9	95.7
WHITEBEAM	96.5	98.8
WILLOW	91.5	97.3

TESCO SCHOOL UNIFORM

Every time you purchase an item of school uniform on-line from Tesco, they donate 5% of the sale to the school. Click on the link on the school website (Our School/Uniform) to find out more.

STEVENAGE CRICKET CLUB OPEN DAY

Stevenage Cricket Club, Ditchmore Lane, are holding an Open Day on Sunday 11th April from 10.00am - 3.00pm.

There will be lots of fun activities, including 'How fast can you bowl a cricket ball (speed gun timer), Sponge the Cricket Coach, tombola and various other stalls. Visit <http://stevenage.hitscricket.com> for more information.

GO LIVE HOLIDAY CLUB

Monday 13th - Friday 17th April 9am -3pm for just £10 a day, come Monday to Thursday get Friday free! For 6-14 year olds: Barnwell Community Leisure Centre, Barnwell Road, Stevenage, Herts, SG2 9SW.

Multisport activity sessions and recreational activities will be available to provide enjoyment, fun, and raise awareness of the importance of leading a healthy lifestyle! The sessions will be delivered by our home grown Apprentice Team from Stevenage Sporting Futures Training.

For more information and for booking please contact Emily at emilysportingfutures@aol.co.uk or phone 01438 747324
www.stevenagesportingfutures.net

DATES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2014/15 (New dates in bold)

Friday 3 rd - Friday 17 th April	Easter Holiday
Monday 20 th April	INSET Day - School Closed
Tuesday 21 st April	Year 2 WoW Day
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Weds 6 th May 1.30pm Family Room	Parents of children with Additional Needs Support Group
Weds 6 th May 6.00pm	Yr 4 Cuffley Parents Mtg
Thursday 7 th May 9.00 - 10.00am	Parent/Carer Forum
Mon 11 th to Friday 15 th May	Year 6 SATS
Wednesday 20 th to Friday 22 nd May	Year 4 Cuffley Camp
Monday 25 th to Friday 29 th May	Half Term
Monday 1 st June	Start of Summer Term 2