



FAIRLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

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School Information Handbook Years 5 & 6 (Upper KS2)

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Year	Class Name	Teacher
5	Pine	Ms Lucy Hilton
	Poplar	Mrs Karen Herron
	Spruce	Miss Daisy West
6	Willow	Miss Sarah Pollen
	Walnut	Mr Ben Tweeddell

Planned events for YEAR 5 during the 2017/18 academic year

Event	When	Approximate cost
Move a Mile	Daily	None
Swimming	Weekly	£12.95 per half term
Year 6 PGL trip in Autumn term 2018	1 st Payment - Autumn Term 2017	£200 in total
Visit to Hendon (Conflict WOW day)	Autumn Term	£5
Astronomy Roadshow Planetarium (Shooting for the Stars WOW day)	Autumn Term	£5
Pantomime	Autumn Term	£11
Waterford (H2O WOW day)	Spring Term	TBC
Junk modelling robots (Rise of the Robots WOW day)	Spring Term	Free
Portals to the Past (Captain Caveman WOW day)	Summer Term	£7
Landscape drawing at Fairlands Valley (Bring it to Life WOW day)	Summer Term	Free

Planned events for YEAR 6 during the 2017/18 academic year

Event	When	Approximate cost
Move a Mile	Daily	None
Crucial Crew	Autumn Term	None
Pantomime	Autumn Term	£11
Metropolis WOW day	Autumn Term	None – build a metropolis and film it.
Wild Kingdoms WOW day – train to Shepreth	Autumn Term	£10
Ancient Worlds WOW day	Summer Term	(See Cambridge trip)
Bodyworks WOW day	Spring Term	None- body outline on hall floor to fill with information about organs
Fairlands Lakes Day	Summer term	None
Dragon Boat Festival	Summer Term	None
Train to Cambridge – Disaster WOW day/ Ancient Worlds	Summer Term	£10
End of Year Production – What a Performance WOW day	Summer Term	None
Leavers disco and BBQ	Summer Term	None

School Uniform

You can purchase uniform with our school Logo from www.yourschooluniform.com or www.tesco.com/ues

Girls	Boys
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• white shirt/polo shirt• grey tailored skirt/pinafore/ trousers/ shorts• navy <u>school</u> sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece; OR plain navy sweatshirt or cardigan• plain navy, grey or black tights; or white, black or grey socks• In the summer, a summer dress with blue and white checks or stripes.• black shoes or plain black trainers (no boots or high-tops)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• white shirt/polo shirt• grey tailored trousers or shorts• navy <u>school</u> sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece; OR plain navy sweatshirt or cardigan• plain black, white or grey socks• black shoes or plain black trainers (no boots or high-tops)

PE KIT

- Shorts – plain navy
- Tops – plain white or navy
- Footwear inside – bare feet
- Footwear outside – plimsolls or ankle trainers that can be fastened
- Winter kit – plain sweatshirt and jogging bottoms
- During PE lessons all children will be asked to remove wrist watches and remove/cover their earrings. All classes should have a roll of tape to cover studs during PE lessons.
- Year 5 Boys: Swimming trunks and towel. Bermuda shorts may NOT be worn, as requested by the pool managers.
- Year 5 Girls: Swimming costume (not bikini), towel.
- Children with long hair must tie it back with a hair band or, for swimming, wear a swimming hat.

The school's policy on jewellery and other uniform issues can be found under Policies on the school website.

Free School Meals

Parents who wish their child to have a school meal in Years 3 to 6 will be asked to pay, unless you are claiming one of the benefits listed below, in which case you may be entitled to register for **Free School Meal Status**:

- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Pension Credit (Guarantee Credit element)
- (Income Related) Employment Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit with income below £16,1990 and not in receipt of Working Tax Credit

If you think you are eligible or become eligible through the school year, either apply on line at www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals, or call 0300 123 4048, providing your National Insurance Number and date of birth. Alternatively, please contact the school office with these details and we can apply for you.

For each child whose parent is entitled to and registered for Free School Meal Status (FSM), the school will receive £1,320 **Pupil Premium** funding. Schools have the freedom to spend this funding in a way they think will best support the raising of attainment for the most vulnerable pupils. At this school, the funding is used for children to receive tailored support from a Pupil Premium Champion. For more information on Pupil Premium funding visit www.gov.uk

Attendance

Children of school-age who are registered at a school must, by law, attend school regularly.

Regular attendance is important, not just because the law requires it, but because it is the best way of ensuring that a child makes the most of the educational opportunities which are available to him or her.

There may be rare occasions when a child has to miss school – for example, if he or she is very unwell. Any other absences should be kept to an absolute minimum. **In particular, parents should never take their child out of school during term-time in order to go on holiday.**

If your child is absent from school, we expect you to inform us of the reason. Please contact the office by phone, text or email by 10.00am on the first day of absence.

If your child has an unavoidable appointment during the school day, please ensure you inform the school office beforehand. If the appointment means that your child will be late to school, please also ensure you book their school meal in advance.

For further information on attendance, please refer to our Attendance Policy on the school website.

Policies

The following policies and leaflets can be found on the school website

www.fairlands.herts.sch.uk

Attendance

Reaching High Targets

Homework

Behaviour Management

The Green Room

Anti-Bullying

Anti-Racism

Healthy Lunchbox Ideas

Click on “Our School” in the main heading then “Policies”. User friendly versions are labelled “Information for Parents.”

Extended Services

We offer the following onsite facilities:

Breakfast Club

7.45am – 8.50am

Dining Hall (Upper Building)

No need to book

&

Treehouse After-School Club

3.15pm – 6.15pm

No more than 2 hours for children under 5

Booking essential

For further information and prices please visit www.fairlands.herts.sch.uk and click on “Community” in the main heading then “Childcare”, or contact the school office.

Schoolcoms/Schoolgateway

We use an electronic system to communicate with our parents and offer an on-line payment system for school meals, school trips and Breakfast Club. **Please ensure you have provided us with an up-to-date email address** so that we can keep you up to date with school activities. You can register and download the app at www.schoolgateway.com



Family Lives is a service the school works closely with and encourage parents to contact when they need support with everyday demands and challenges. You can contact the free Family Lives Helpline in confidence on **0808 800 2222** or visit www.familylives.org.uk

Our Family Lives Worker runs a coffee morning for parents/carers at school in the Family Room each Thursday morning from 9.00 to 11.00am. Toddlers are welcome.

Parent/Carer Forum

Each year group has a Parent/Carer Forum representative who meets with Mr Staples, our Headteacher, once a month. If you have any issues you would like to be discussed, please email your question to parentforum@fairlands.herts.sch.uk

Parent View



A key part of a school's Ofsted inspection are the views expressed by parents. Ofsted no longer sends out paper surveys and relies purely on views expressed through their Parent View Website.

It is therefore really important that we make sure that ALL parents views are represented on this website, including the 'silent majority' who are happy but tend not to speak up!

So, **PLEASE** could you take some time and visit www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk to response to the questions on the Parent View Website.

You just have to register quickly using an email address, and then there are 12 questions to answer. It takes 5 minutes!

Please make sure that YOUR views are represented - you can go back at any time to update your responses, if your views change.

You can see the latest results from Fairlands by clicking on the link on the school website.