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# School Information Handbook Years 5 & 6 (Upper KS2)

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Year	<b>Class Name</b>	Teacher
5	Pine	Mrs Julie Jeffries
	Poplar	Mrs Karen Herron
	Spruce	Mr Paul Smith
6	Whitebeam	Ms Lucy Hilton
	Walnut	Mr Ben Tweeddell
	Willow	Miss Daisy West

### Planned events and approximate costs for YEAR 5 during the 2018/19 academic year

Event	When	Approximate cost
Move a Mile	Daily	None
Year 6 PGL trip in Autumn	1 <sup>st</sup> Payment - Autumn Term	£200 in total
term 2019	2018	
Visit to Hendon (Conflict	Autumn Term	£5
WOW day)		
Astronomy Roadshow	Autumn Term	£5
Planetarium (Shooting for the		
Stars WOW day)		
Pantomime	Autumn Term	£11
Swimming	Weekly	£14.00 per half term
Waterford (H2O WOW day)	Spring Term	TBC
Junk modelling robots (Rise of	Spring Term	Free
the Robots WOW day)		
Portals to the Past (Captain	Summer Term	£7
Caveman WOW day)		
Landscape drawing at	Summer Term	Free
Fairlands Valley (Bring it to		
Life WOW day)		

### Planned events and approximate costs for YEAR 6 during the 2018/19 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 –	Autumn Term	£10
train to Shepreth		
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
Train to Cambridge – Disaster	Summer Term	£10
WOW day/ Ancient Worlds		
End of Year Production –	Summer Term	None
What a Performance WOW		
day		
Leavers disco and BBQ	Summer Term	None

There may be other local trips throughout the year, which parents will be informed at the time. These will be free of charge.

Children may also be given the opportunity to come to school in costumes for the WoW Days, again, more information will be given nearer the time.

# **School Uniform**

You can purchase uniform with our school Logo from <a href="https://www.yourschooluniform.com">www.yourschooluniform.com</a> or <a href="https://www.tesco.com/ues">www.tesco.com/ues</a>

### All children are strongly encouraged to wear school uniform:

- White shirt/polo shirt
- Grey tailored skirt/trousers/shorts
- Navy school sweatshirt, navy school cardigan OR plain navy jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan
  - Plain navy, grey or black tights; or white, black or grey socks
    - Black shoes, sandals or boots
- In the summer, a summer dress with blue and white checks or stripes

### **PE Kit / Swimming 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 will have a roll of tape to cover studs during PE lessons.
- Swimming swimming costume or trunks and towel. Bermuda shorts / bikinis may NOT be worn, as requested by the pool managers.

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 Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (as long as you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and you don't get more than £16,190 a year)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit (with annual earned income of no more than £7,400 after tax and not including any benefits you get).

If you think you are eligible or become eligible through the school year, either apply on line at <a href="https://www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals">www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals</a>, 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 who is registered and eligible for **free school meal status**, the school will receive £1,320 Pupil Premium funding, which schools have the freedom to spend in a way they think will best support the raising of attainment for the most vulnerable pupils. See **School/Pupil & Sports Premium** at <a href="https://www.fairlands.herts.sch.uk">www.fairlands.herts.sch.uk</a> for more details.

# **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 and your child requires a small meal, please ensure you book this in advance.

# Each parent with PR is individually responsible for their child's attendance.

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 <a href="www.fairlands.herts.sch.uk">www.fairlands.herts.sch.uk</a>

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**

3.15 pm - 6.15 pm

Booking essential

For further information and prices please visit the school website 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 and mobile phone number, so that we can keep you informed of school You can register and download the app at www.schoolgateway.com Don't forget to stay signed in to the app to ensure you receive any messages.

## **Parent/Carer Forum**

Our Parent Forum group consists of a parent/carer representative from each year group who meet regularly with Mr Staples, our Headteacher. If you have any issues you would like to be discussed, please email your question to parentforum@fairlands.herts.sch.uk



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

# **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 we make sure that ALL parents/carers' 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 to visit <a href="https://www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk">www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk</a> and 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 for Fairlands Primary School by clicking the link on the school website.