



HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
FAIRLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

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Starting School



**Foundation Stage
Autumn term 1 2011**

Over the next few weeks, your child will be working on the topic of 'Starting School'

They will be taking part in a series of interesting activities and investigations, including:

- ☐ Having regular circle times giving the opportunity to air feelings and ask questions
- ☐ Meeting their new SEAL buddies
- ☐ Exploring the lower and upper buildings
- ☐ Collecting natural materials from the school grounds to display in our 'Natural World' area
- ☐ Discovering areas that we like and dislike
- ☐ Going on a number hunt and word hunt
- ☐ Working in 'Our School' role play area and selling uniform at 'Fairlands Shop'

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

- ☐ Reading through and completing their Passports to Reception
- ☐ Set aside some time to talk with your child about their first few weeks at school and allow them to discuss their new class
- ☐ Go on a number and word hunt with your child
- ☐ Take the opportunity to explore your child's classroom during shared reading on a Friday morning

How does your child feel.....

About starting school?

Now they are settled at school?

Sit down with your child and help them record what they know about the topic, 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'.

Weather!

Please be aware that the weather is unpredictable. Please ensure that your child comes to school fully equipped with the appropriate clothing.

- Reception children can bring in a bottle of water (due to allergies we cannot allow juice or squash. We will pour away any drinks that are not water.)

PLEASE LABEL ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S BELONGINGS

Clubs

Breakfast Club	Every Morning 8.00-8.50am
Nursery Lunch Club	Every Lunchtime 11.30-12.30
Credit Union	Tuesdays 3.15pm (upper building)
Foundation Stage Multi Skills	Tuesdays 3.15 – 4.15pm
Games Library	Fridays 8.50am – 9.10am

Forthcoming Events

Parents' Coffee Morning (Community Room)	Every Friday 9.00am
60th Celebrations	w/c 26th September
Harvest Festival Assembly	Wednesday 5th October
Parent Consultations	Monday 10th October 5.30 – 8.00pm Tuesday 11th Oct 3.30 – 6.00pm
School Photographer	Thursday 13th October
Walk to School Week	w/c 17th October
End of Half Term	Friday 21st October