



HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
**FAIRLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY**

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# All Around Us



**Reception**  
**Autumn Term 2 2011**

# **Over the next few weeks, your child will be working on the topic of All Around Us!**

**They will be taking part in a series of exciting activities, including:**

- **Making prints and rubbings of textures they find in their local environment**
- **Taking photos of features they like and dislike in their environment**
- **Collecting and sorting natural materials**
- **Making an autumnal collage using natural materials**
- **Sequencing stories and acting them out using costumes and props**
- **A visit from the school crossing patrol**

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

- ☐ **Taking your child to the library & get a book about the local area**
- ☐ **Going for a walk around your local area and collect evidence of natural objects (fir cones, leaves, acorns, conkers etc.) Maybe take photos and we could display these in the classroom!**
- ☐ **Discuss road safety with your child**

**What does your child know about the world around  
them?**

**Before the Topic...**

**After the Topic...**

**Sit down with your child and help them record what  
they know about the topics, BEFORE and then AFTER  
they have learnt about it at school.**

# What else is happening?

## SEAL Time

Each term, we focus on a particular aspect of Social & Emotional Aspects of Learning (S.E.A.L).

This term, we will be looking at the theme of 'Going for goals'.

## Homework

Please support your child by making sure that they listen to stories/songs/number rhymes on a daily basis. Take every opportunity you can to count with your child (the number of cars you pass, the number of stairs they have to go up, how many apples in the fruit bowl.)

Support your child with self-help skills such as putting on their own coat and zipping it up. They need to be as independent as possible within the setting.

We will send home ideas of how to support your child's learning. Please join the school's games library where you can take out fun games to help your child develop new skills.

## Clubs

Breakfast Club	Every morning 8.00 – 8.50am
Skills 7 Football	Mondays 3.20 – 5.00pm
Credit Union	Tuesdays 3.15pm
KS1 Gymnastics Club	Tuesdays 3.30 – 4.30pm
Cheerleading Club	Wednesdays 3.15 – 4.15pm
Lower Building Games Library	Fridays 8.50 – 9.10am

## Forthcoming Events

Enterprise Week	w/c 31 <sup>st</sup> October
Foundation Stage Parents' Assembly	Friday 11th November
Fairlands Fathers	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 7.30 – 9.30pm
Parent Forum	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November
Diversity Celebration	w/c 21 <sup>st</sup> November
Christmas Post Box Out	w/c 28 <sup>th</sup> November
Trip to the Pantomime	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November
FS Christmas Performances	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December
Christmas Celebration	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December
End of Term	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2.15pm