



Happy Friday, Fairhouse Families!

It has been a lovely first week back at Fairhouse, despite some wet weather.

EYFS visited Barleylands as part of their topic about the 'Big Wide World.' There were opportunities to feed the animals and make a fruit cocktail. The trip went brilliantly from start to finish and the children had such a fantastic day. There were also lots of comments from members of the public about the good behaviour of the children from Fairhouse. They did themselves proud!



This week, Year 1 went to Call of the Wild Zoo to support their learning about animal parts and life cycles. They saw a wide range of animals, including birds, lizards, meerkats and penguins. Some children were lucky enough to attend a talk about birds of prey and have an owl fly over their head! The rain did not put a damper on the day as children had a fantastic day and learned a lot.



On Friday, children from the choir went to Ghyllgrove primary school to practice for the upcoming production at the Towngate theatre. They are very excited about their performance!

Next week, year 1 children sit their phonics screening check, and year 4 children sit their multiplication times table checks. We wish them the best of luck, but we know they have been practising hard all year for these so they will do great!

Now we are into the second half of our Summer term and the weather is usually warmer (hopefully!), we will be offering ice poles for tuck at break time on Fridays for both KS1 and KS2 children. Ice poles will be 50p each and there will be a variety of flavours available.

Today is the celebration of Eid ul-Adha: I would like to send my warm and heartfelt wishes to anyone celebrating this special festival.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Davie

ParentPay

Please ensure you keep your ParentPay account in credit to cover any dinners booked for your child.

If your account accrues arrears of two meals (£4.60) or more your child WILL NOT be able to book any further school dinners and you MUST provide them with a packed lunch until the arrears are cleared.

School Dinner Menu - Week One

9th - 13th June 2025

Monday

Cheese & Potato Pastry Slice

Cheese & Tomato Pastry Parcel

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Strawberry Jam Sandwich

Seasonal Fruit Medley

Tuesday

Chicken Fillet Burger

Veggie Burger

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Egg Mayo Bap

Raspberry Ice Cream Roll

Wednesday

Roast Turkey, Yorkie Pud & Gravy

Quorn Fillet, Yorkie Pud & Gravy

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Cheese Wrap

Vanilla Cupcake

Thursday

Butchers Sausage & New Potatoes

Veggie Sausage & New Potatoes

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Tuna Mayo Baguette

Chocolate Oat Cake

Friday

Fish Fingers

Veggie Fingers

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Ham Sandwich

Fruity Friday

Fairhouse Weekly Attendance Table

Elephants	90.7%
Pandas	94.1%
Hedgehogs	91.4%
Tigers	93.3%
Macaws	92.7%
Rhinos	91.3%
Jaguars	91%
Vaquitas	95.7%
Belugas	97.9%
Sea Otters	95.4%
Gorillas	80.7%
Saolas	93.2%
Galapagos Penguins	90.3%
Sea Turtles	93.3%

Well done to Pandas (KS1) and Belugas (KS2) who have earned the company of our attendance bears Fred and Freda in class next week.



Unfortunately, this week, attendance was lower than it has been recently, meaning that none of our classes achieved 98% to earn them a spin on the wheel.

A special mention to the children below who have displayed some of our core values this week:

Class	Child	Core Value
Galapagos Penguins	Mylie-Mai	Responsibility
Sea Turtles	Daniel	Responsibility
Gorillas	Maria	Kindness
Saolas	Alina	Kindness
Belugas	Emine	Kindness
Sea Otters	Louie	Responsibility
Jaguars	Tommy-Lee	Courage
Vaquitas	Harper	Responsibility
Macaws	Reggie	Kindness
Rhinos	Freddie	Courage
Hedgehogs	Gracjan	Courage
Tigers	Fayth-Louise	Courage
Elephants	Mya-Rose	Responsibility
Pandas	Cyril	Respect



Dates for your Diary



Wednesday, 11th June 2025

Year 2 School Trip - Hever Castle

Tuesday, 24th - Wednesday, 25th June 2025

Fairhouse 'Move Up' Days

Thursday, 26th June 2025

Year 5 Greek Day - More info to follow

Monday, 30th June 2025

Sports Day - More info to follow

Tuesday, 1st - Friday, 4th July 2025

EYFS Learn to Ride with Dr Bike - More info to follow

Thursday, 3rd July 2025

Berlesduna Academy Trust Swimming Gala
Fairhouse Choir at Basildon Music Festival

Friday, 4th July 2025

Fairhouse Summer Bounce Event

Monday, 7th July 2025

Reserve Sports Day

Tuesday, 8th July 2025

Year 4 Trip - Horniman Museum

Wednesday, 9th - Friday, 11th July 2025

Year 6 Residential Trip

Tuesday, 15th July 2025

Whole School Open Evening

Thursday, 17th July 2025

EYFS & KS1 & Year 3, 4 & 5 Disco's: 4 - 5.30pm
Year 6 Leavers Disco: 5.45 - 7.15pm

Friday, 18th July 2025

Last Day of Term

Monday, 21st & Tuesday, 22nd July 2025

Inset / Non-Pupil Day

Monday, 1st & Tuesday, 2nd September 2025

Inset / Non-Pupil Day

Wednesday, 3rd September 2025

Back to School

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club **MUST** be pre-booked via ParentPay. Bookings should be made 24hrs in advance.

Breakfast club runs from 8am - 8.40am and costs £2 per child per day. Last entry is at 8.15am.

Parents **MUST** accompany their child to the main doors by the office where they will be met and registered by a member of staff. Various breakfast options will be available such as cereal, toast & crumpets as well as fresh juice & milk.

Parking in the local area

Please drive with caution and be aware of children outside the school, there have been a few near misses with vehicles driving and reversing at speed.

Please also be considerate of our neighbours when dropping off and collecting your children from school. We have received a number of complaints from local residents due to parents parking on & blocking the entrances / driveways at Fairhouse Court and Napier Close at drop off and pick up times.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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Premier League Disability Football Festival

INCLUSIVE U'S FOOTBALL CAMP

WHAT TO EXPECT?

- Expert Coaching: sessions will be led by our UK qualified coaches, who are experienced in working with SEND players.
- Skills Development: enhance your skills through fun football drills, including passing, dribbling, shooting and much more.
- Special Guests: meet Colchester United players and club mascot Blinky the Eagle!
- Exciting Rewards: every participant will receive a Colchester United themed prize, with additional raffle and trophies available to be won.

WHO: Young people aged 5-16 with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities
WHERE: Tuesday 27th May & Wednesday 28th May, 10am-2pm
WHERE: Shrub End Community and Sports Centre, CO2 9BG
Q&A: Earlybird price is £30 for both days or £18.50 for one day.

COMPASS

A partnership of domestic abuse services providing a response in Essex

Essex Domestic Abuse Helpline:

0330 333 7 444

Make a referral:

AGENCY

or

SELF REFERRAL

General enquiries: enquiries@essexcompass.org.uk

Important information - Term time holidays

Improving school attendance is a key priority for all schools across Essex. Where families choose to take a family holiday during term time, this can detrimentally impact a pupil's progress and can prevent them from fulfilling their true academic potential. Our school attendance policy, available via our school website, clearly sets out the process that parents should follow if they wish to apply for leave during term time. Please note that applications should only be made, if you feel that there are exceptional circumstances which mean that the leave cannot be taken during the school holidays. We would ask all parents to note that, where families choose to go on holiday during term time and the absences are coded as unauthorised, Essex County Council may not issue penalty notices and may instead proceed straight to prosecution and place the case directly before the Magistrates for their consideration in court. If found guilty by the Magistrates, parents could face a fine of up to £2,500 and/or 3 months imprisonment.

Studybugs

Studybugs

Fairhouse are using a more efficient and secure system for messaging parents, called Studybugs. The website & app has an easy to use messaging service which allows us to set up a chat feature with parents to notify you of anything you may need to know about and answer any queries you may have. It is also our absence line service allowing parents to easily notify school of their child's absence.

Please download the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website.

If you need any assistance in setting this up on your phone, please call into the school office and we will be happy to help.



Break Time Snack

Our snack shop has a range of healthy snacks available daily. Each item costs 50p and children are limited to one item each. If you wish to send your child in with a snack from home please do try to make sure it is something from our approved snack list.

Key Stage 1 children will continue to receive a piece of fruit as part of the healthy schools initiative.



School Uniform

Our school uniform consists of the following:

- Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore.
- White polo shirt
- Bottle green jumper or cardigan.
- Grey tights.
- Black, grey or white ankle socks.
- Grey shorts or green and white checked summer dress in summer months.
- Black school shoes or **ALL BLACK** trainers (including black soles - no big logos or brand names).

Leggings are **NOT** part of the school uniform and should **NOT** be worn to school.



Book Review

As part of our school development plan we are asking our upper KS2 pupils to write a book review or short paragraph about a core text they found particularly enthralling to share in our newsletter.

Here is a review of Who Let the Gods Out by Freddie M in Year 5:



Friday 6th June 2025
Book review - Who let the gods out?

Book Review

My book cover

Book Title
Who Let the Gods out?

Author Max Evans
Illustrator Alexei Biletsky's

Genre (tick as many as apply to your book)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fiction	<input type="checkbox"/> scary	<input type="checkbox"/> animal story
<input type="checkbox"/> mystery	<input type="checkbox"/> fairy tale	<input type="checkbox"/> biography
<input type="checkbox"/> fantasy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> adventure	<input type="checkbox"/> historical
<input type="checkbox"/> humour	<input type="checkbox"/> sports	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	S. Powers	

Plot

Event 1: Virgo crashes into cowshed.

Event 2: Thunder gods let out.

Event 3: Virgo loses her Kardica!

Setting

Home Farm Elliotts home and Josie

Character

Name E. Elliot

Personality Naughty, kind, helpful

Physical Appearance Boy & long hair

Cause and Effect
if one of the words in the book

Virgo uses Star Ball → Loses Kardica

My Star Rating

★★★★★

Why I rated the book 5 stars.
There is no explanation just to good

This book made me feel:

thumbs up, thumbs down, house icon

How I feel about this character and why:
He is funny and cool

Picture of the character

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For more information please visit www.trustlinks.org
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COMMUNITY & FAMILY LEARNING

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Parent Carer Activities and Support Groups		
Parent Gentle Relaxation Group £3.50 per session 	3 rd and 27 th May 10 th and 24 th June 8 th and 29 th July 7.30pm to 8.30pm	Shotgate Community Hall, Wickford
Evening Parent Support Group 	22 nd May 26 th June 17 th July 21 st August 7.30pm to 9.30pm	St Peter's Church Hall, Nevendon, Nr Sainsburys Wickford/Basildon
Parent Carer Coffee Morning 	9 th June 14 th July 9.30am to 11.30am	Miracle House, Silva Island Way, Wickford
Parent Support Drop-Ins 	3 rd June 1 st July 10am to 12 noon	Happy Hub, Eastgate, Nr ASDA, Basildon
2 Part EHCP Workshop 	11 th June 9 th July 9.30am to 11.30am	Mother's Kitchen, Felmores End, Pitsea
Meet the OT with Jenne Seibolt 	17 th June - 7pm to 9pm 14 th July - 6.30pm to 9.30pm	Miracle House, Silva Island Way, Wickford
Supporting Autism, ADHD, Anxiety, Dyspraxia, Dyslexia For more information please email info@myotas.org or visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/myotas to book Reg Charity No. 1184723		



Activities / Achievements



Alice achieved her Level 1 award at her gymnastics club and was awarded a certificate and a rosette. Well done Alice!

Is your child between 4 and 14 years of age?
Do they like games, fun and making friends?
Why not sign them up to come along to our

YOUTH CLUB

FREE!

when: **friday's 5.30 - 7.00pm**
where: **mother's kitchen cafe, ss13 1pn**

REGISTER HERE!

BOOK IN HERE!

SCAN HERE

a meal and drinks are provided!

Mothers Kitchen Community Group-Pitsea
mkcgb bookings@gmail.com

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FREE!

SUPPORTING A SUCCESSFUL SECONDARY TRANSITIONS (Year 6)

Preparing for the transition to secondary school can be both exciting and challenging for families and children in Yr 6. Our 2-hour sessions are designed to help families navigate this important milestone with confidence and ease. By the end of this session, families will be equipped with the tools and knowledge to ensure a smooth and successful transition to secondary school.

16/06/2025	1900 - 2100	Online
03/07/2025	1900 - 2100	Online

Sign up today and make a positive impact on your child's life!

Visit our website aclesssex.com and type 'successful secondary' in to the 'Find a course...' box

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