



FAIRHOUSE primary SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER - 35 (26/06/26)



What a hot week. But that has not stopped the learning that has taken place here at Fairhouse. The children have been fantastic all week and we are so proud of them. They have remembered to wear hats, taken lots of fluid breaks and dealt with it like true professionals. Access to the air conditioned classrooms has also helped! The staff have been amazing too – managing to work in this heat to ensure that our children were safe and well cared for on top of ensuring great learning still took place.



Our week started with our two transition days and what a success they were. The children had a great time meeting their new class teachers and spending time in their new classrooms with new friends. A huge thank you to all our staff, including our new staff members Mrs Carter and Miss Pegg for making this such a success.

This week in Early Years, our story this week is The Crocodile Who Didn't Like Water. The children really enjoyed this story and had so much fun acting it out.



Also this week the children in EYFS all met their new teachers for September and had a fantastic two days with them. It has been a very hot week so we have made sure the provision had all sorts of cool things for the children to engage with e.g. water, bubbles and foam etc. They have been eating plenty of fruit and drinking gallons of water!



Year 2 have been learning all about life cycles and have enjoyed observing one of nature's most fascinating transformations first hand. Over the past few weeks, the children carefully watched caterpillars grow, form chrysalises, and finally emerge as beautiful butterflies. They were excited to see each stage of the life cycle and recorded their observations through discussions, drawings, and written work. This hands-on experience helped the children develop their scientific understanding of growth and change while inspiring a sense of wonder about the natural world. Later, the children will release the butterflies into the wild!



Year 4 had a fantastic time meeting their new teachers for next year and embracing the exciting transition into the final phase of their primary school journey. They worked hard to show the very best version of themselves and made a wonderful impression. When asked what they enjoyed most about the experience, the overwhelming response was... the air conditioning!

This week the children in year 5 had an incredible experience where they were visited by the WW1 Aviation Heritage Trust. The children wrote their own WW1 themed poems and presented these on seeded paper. A Nieuport 17 replica biplane from WW1 will take off from England with its special cargo of poems and release them over Northern France where The First World War was fought. Over time, the seeded paper will break down releasing the seeds turning the children's wonderful words into beautiful poppies. The children each had the chance to experience the flight simulator which truly was an exciting experience. They also had an opportunity to speak with a former pilot and learn about aircrafts in WW1.



And finally, year 6. They have had a very busy week full of adventures and experiences. The children who stayed behind at school enjoyed making their own chocolate bars and engaging with lots of other creative activities in the comfort of the air-conditioned rooms!



The children on residential enjoyed a hot, outdoor experience full of adventure, risk taking, courage, teamwork and laughter. It was an absolute privilege to take such a wonderful bunch of young people away for a few days – they did their parents and the school very proud. A HUGE thank you to the staff who gave up their own time to support the children during residential.

Don't forget we will be holding our annual Summer Bounce Event next Friday, 3rd July from 3.30-5.30pm. Wristbands are available to purchase via ParentPay or from the school office next week. As well as the bouncy castles there will be various stalls including sweets, cakes, games and refreshments. Please do come along and join in the fun! Please bring some cash with you as not all the stalls are able to accept card payment.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone and I look forward to seeing you all on a much cooler, Monday!

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 (**£4.80**) 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 Two

29th June - 3rd July 2026

Monday

Chicken Burger

Veggie Burger

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Egg Mayo Wrap

Seasonal Fruit Medley

Tuesday

Tuna & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake

Rustic Tomato Pasta with Cheesy Top

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Jam Sandwich

Raspberry Fruit Ice Smoothie

Wednesday

Roast Gammon, Yorkie Pud & Gravy

Cheese & Onion Pastry Turnover

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Tuna Mayo Wrap

Banana & Chocolate Chip Cake

Thursday

Beef Enchilada Bake

Vegan Enchilada Bake

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Chicken Bap

Choc Ice

Friday

Fish Fingers

Veggie Fingers

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Cheese Baguette

Fruity Friday

Fairhouse Weekly Attendance Table

Elephants	75.8%
Pandas	85.6%
Hedgehogs	89.7%
Tigers	86%
Macaws	90%
Rhinos	87.1%
Jaguars	90.7%
Vaquitas	91.7%
Belugas	90.6%
Sea Otters	89.7%
Gorillas	89%
Saolas	91.9%
Galapagos Penguins	95.7%
Sea Turtles	92.3%

Well done to (KS1) and (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 all displayed some of our core values this week:

Class	Child	Core Value
Galapagos Penguins	Kenan & Ava-Rose	Kindness
Sea Turtles	Yagmur, Riley, Ayan & Paige	Kindness
Gorillas	Ralphie	Responsibility
Saolas	Louie	Responsibility
Belugas	Eduard	Kindness
Sea Otters	Samia	Kindness
Jaguars	Fatima	Courage
Vaquitas	Callum	Responsibility
Macaws	Ethan	Kindness
Rhinos	Harry D	Kindness
Hedgehogs	Shahith	Responsibility
Tigers	Elijah	Kindness
Elephants	Franklin	Kindness
Pandas	Zakiy	Kindness



Dates for your Diary



Wednesday, 1st July 2026

Berlesduna Swimming Gala

Thursday, 2nd July 2026

Year 5 & 6 District Athletics

Friday, 3rd July 2026

Fairhouse Summer Bounce Event - 3.30-5.30pm

Monday, 6th July 2026

Year 4 Trip - Horniman Museum

Year 2 Assembly - 9.15am

Tuesday, 7th July 2026

The Worry Circle Performance - 4pm

Wednesday, 8th July 2026

Zones of Regulation Workshop - 9-11.30am

Year 1 Assembly - 9.15am

Thursday, 9th July 2026

Year 3 & 4 District Athletics

The Worry Circle Performance - 4pm

Friday, 10th July 2026

Sports Day

Tuesday, 14th July 2026

Year 3 Assembly - 9.15am

Open Evening 3.30-5.30pm

Wednesday, 15th July 2026

Year 5 Assembly - 9.15am

EYFS / Reception Assembly - 2.45pm

Thursday, 16th July 2026

End of Term Disco's - More info to follow

Year 4 Assembly - 2.30pm

Friday, 17th July 2026

Last Day of Term

Year 6 Leaver's Assembly - 2.15pm

Monday, 20th July 2026

Inset / Non-Pupil Day

Tuesday, 21st July - Monday, 31st August 2026

Summer Holidays

Tuesday, 1st & Wednesday 2nd September 2026

Inset / Non-Pupil Day

Thursday, 3rd September 2026

Back to School

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club **MUST** be pre-booked via ParentPay. Bookings can be made until 7am on the day.

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 are available such as a variety of cereal, toast, bagels, fresh juice & milk.



Beat The Street Leader board

We hope you are all enjoying taking part in the Beat The Street challenge so far!

Please remember that the aim of the challenge is to walk, cycle or scoot to each Beat Box. Please do not cheat by driving as the organisers can tell and could wipe both your and your teams points!!

We will update the leader board each week to show how each year group is getting on. Fairhouse Staff will also be taking part, can your year group beat them? There will be weekly prizes for the child at the top of the leader board as well as for the overall winners of the competition.

Cherry Tree Primary School are also taking part and we do love a bit of healthy competition, so, **GAME ON!**

The staff member currently in the lead is still Mrs Wise, well done Mrs Wise! Can any of our staff members beat her to first place next week?

Class / Team	Points
Reception / EYFS	620
Year 1	2300
Year 2	1250
Year 3	2130
Year 4	470
Year 5	2490
Year 6	2390
Staff	1440

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.

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 and or driveways at Fairhouse Court and Napier Close at drop off and pick up times.



Break Time Snack

Our school tuck 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 make sure it is something from our approved snack list which can be found on our school website.

Key Stage 1 children receive a piece of fruit as part of the healthy schools initiative. They are not permitted to bring in their own break time snack.



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.



Fairhouse Primary School

Bespoke Gifts

Carnival Games

Refreshments

Ice Cream

Penalty Shoot out

Hair Accessories

Bespoke Cakes

Mulligans

archery

Raffle



BOUNCE EVENT

Friday 3rd July 3.30pm-5.30pm

Wristbands cost £8.00 each available via parent pay or a Thursday afternoon after school or in the front entrance a few mornings over the next couple of weeks.

You can pay for these in cash or by card.

There will also be lots of lovely stalls at the event that will require cash.

Please email pta@fairhouse-pri.essex.sch.uk to enquire about this event.

BERLESDUNA ACADEMY TRUST – VACANCIES

BERLESDUNA – COMPLEX NEEDS & SEND TEACHER closing date 3rd September

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