



Dear parents and carers

Well, it has certainly been a very busy 4 days here at Fairhouse! I am pleased to say that our attendance this week has been the highest week yet at 96.5% which is better than national! We had a huge number of children who were in school, on time every day this week – which is great. I would love for us to keep this up so that we have more children in school learning each day and making progress. Thank you. We celebrated the great attendance this week with a raffle for all pupils who were in, on time every day this week and awarded prizes to the lucky children who were picked as the winners.

On Thursday, we had photograph day. It was lovely to see so many, looking so smart and showing off their great smiles. Today, we had crazy hair day in aid of Kids Inspire, and I must say a HUGE well done and thank you to the parents and carers for joining in and being so creative. The children have loved the experience and it has brought lots of smiles and joy to a damp Friday. Please see further down the newsletter for some pictures of the fantastic creations!



In EYFS our new topic is 'Once upon a time' and 'Sparkle and Shine'. The children have enjoyed dressing up as characters from the stories and acting out scenes from the stories. In Maths they have been identifying quantities of 1, 2, and 3 and their cardinal symbols.

Year 4 took their learning maths outside this week so they could get a real feel for distance. We explored metres, millimetres and kilometres and predicted distances from school. Did you know Cherry Tree School is 800m away?

This week, our Year 6 students have been stepping into the shoes of real journalists as they investigate a mysterious act of vandalism in the intervention rooms! They've been busy making detailed observations, collecting evidence, and working collaboratively to develop open-ended interview questions for the Year 6 teachers. Next week, students will use their findings to plan and write their own newspaper reports, showcasing their journalistic skills and creativity.



On Thursday 6th November, Fairhouse Primary School took part in the Southend United FC National League Cup at Garons Park, Southend.

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils fought hard against a range of schools across Essex. Despite being unsuccessful in qualifying for the semi-finals, the team thoroughly enjoyed themselves! Big shout out to our goalkeeper, Ryan, who showed brilliant resilience throughout all four matches, and

our player of the tournament goes to Freddie in Year 6 for his outstanding defensive contributions to the team. Well done, boys!

On Tuesday and Wednesday next week we will be holding our Parent's Evening, a message has been sent on Studybugs with all the information you will need to book your slot. Slots are filling fast, If you have not already done so you can book a slot via: <https://fairhouse.schoolcloud.co.uk/> If you have any issues with booking a slot please speak with the school office.

Have a wonderful weekend.



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 One

10th - 14th November 2025

Monday

Pork Sausage & Mash

Vegan Sausage & Mash

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Ham Bap

Seasonal Fruit Medley

Tuesday

BBQ Chicken New Yorker

BBQ Vegan Fillet New Yorker

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Jam Sandwich

Double Chocolate Chip Cake

Wednesday

Roast Gammon, Yorkie Pud & Gravy

Broccoli & Cauliflower Cheese Bake

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Cheese Wrap

American Style Waffles

Thursday

Beef & Mozzarella Pasta Gratin

Vegan Mince & Mozzarella Gratin

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Turkey Bap

Treacle Sponge Pudding

Friday

Fish Fingers

Veggie Fingers

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Egg Mayo Sandwich

Fruity Friday

Fairhouse Weekly Attendance Table

Elephants	93.2%
Pandas	96.4%
Hedgehogs	95.5%
Tigers	91.4%
Macaws	97.3%
Rhinos	97.3%
Jaguars	99.1%
Vaquitas	95.3%
Belugas	95.3%
Sea Otters	97.5%
Gorillas	97.1%
Saolas	98.3%
Galapagos Penguins	92.5%
Sea Turtles	98.8%

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



Also to Jaguars, Saolas and Sea Turtles who have all earned a spin on the attendance prize wheel for achieving over 98% attendance this week. Well done!

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

Class	Child	Core Value
Galapagos Penguins	Emily	Respect
Sea Turtles	Kal-El	Courage
Gorillas	Kwabena	Responsibility
Saolas	Ella	Responsibility
Belugas	Taurus	Responsibility
Sea Otters	Nihal	Responsibility
Jaguars	Moses	Kindness
Vaquitas	Logan	Responsibility
Macaws	Charlie	Responsibility
Rhinos	Ameva	Respect
Hedgehogs	Amirah	Courage
Tigers	Harry	Courage
Elephants	Lorenzo	Responsibility
Pandas	Scarlett	Responsibility



Dates for your Diary



Tuesday, 11th & Wednesday, 12th November 2025

Parents Evening - 3.30-6pm

Thursday, 13th November 2025

Berlesduna Maths Challenge Event

Friday, 14th November 2025

Children In Need

Monday, 17th November 2025

Reception 2026 New Intake Tours - 2pm & 5pm

Wednesday, 19th - Wednesday, 26th November 2025

Year 5 Bikeability Training

Wednesday, 3rd December 2025

Understanding Children's Anxiety Workshop - 9-11.30am

Thursday, 4th December 2025

Reception / EYFS Christmas Assembly - 9.10am & 2.45pm

Friday, 5th December 2025

Fairhouse Christmas Shopping Event - 3.30-5.30pm

Monday, 8th December 2025

Year 1 Christmas Assembly - 9.10am & 2.45pm

Tuesday, 9th December 2025

Year 3 Christmas Assembly - 9.10am & 2.45pm

Wednesday, 10th December 2025

Year 2 Christmas Assembly - 9.10am & 2.45pm

Thursday, 11th December 2025

Year 6 Christmas Assembly - 9.10am & 2.45pm

Fairhouse Choir at Eastgate Shopping Centre - 1.30pm

Monday, 15th December 2025

EYFS & KS1 - Visit from Travelling Panto

KS2 - Trip to Towngate Theatre

Tuesday, 16th December 2025

Year 5 Christmas Assembly - 9.10am & 2.45pm

Wednesday, 17th December 2025

Year 4 Christmas Assembly - 9.10am & 2.45pm

School Disco - More info to follow

Monday, 22nd December 2025 - Friday, 2nd January 2026

Christmas Holidays

Monday, 5th January 2026

Back to School

Wednesday, 7th January 2026

Zones of Regulation Workshop - 9-11.30am

Wednesday, 11th February 2026

Talking So Your Children Will Listen Workshop - 9-11.30am

Monday, 16th - Friday, 20th February 2026

Half Term

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.



Fairhouse Primary School & TESCO

The Fairhouse Eco-Council would like to ask for your support please. We have been nominated within the local area to receive the blue tokens via customer votes for our Wildlife Garden Project.

If we are successful the school will be award up to £1,500 towards this project. We really need your support to achieve this as the more votes we get the more likely we are to succeed. Every time you shop you are awarded a blue token.

If you would like to help us, please give us you're vote!! You can find our blue token boxes within the following Tesco stores:

114 Rayleigh Express SS6 7BY
3060 Pitsea Extra SS13 3JU
3264 Wickford Silva Island Express SS12 9NR
3448 Wickford Southend Road Express SS11 8EE
5377 Benfleet Road Express SS7 5TJ
6516 Rayleigh London Road Express SS6 9BN

You are able to vote for this project from the 1st October 2025- mid January 2026

If you would like more information about this project please contact the school office.
Thank you for your continued support.



Stronger Starts.

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.



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Understanding Children's Anxiety

The course covers common signs, underlying causes, and practical techniques to help children manage anxious thoughts and feelings.

Date: 03/12/2025

Time: 09:00 - 11:30

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Visit our website
aclessex.com and type
'FAIRHOUSE' in the
'Find a course...' box



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0345 603 7635

**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

Below 90%
Serious Concern.
Persistent absence.

90 - 95.9%
Concern. Low
Attendance.

At least 96%
Expected
attendance.

Expected attendance means
having no more than seven
days off this school year!



Essex Wellbeing Service

Find out more at:
essexwellbeingsservice.co.uk
or contact us on:
0300 303 9988



First Lesson
FREE



4 years old
to seniors welcomed

Wakarishin Ju-Jitsu

We run both junior & adult classes throughout
Essex 7 days a week

What you would gain from learning Traditional Ju-Jitsu?

- Learn self defence skills & raise interaction levels
- Boost your confidence & self esteem
- Improve self-discipline & the value of teamwork
- Improve your health & overall fitness
- Develop core values such as respect & courtesy
- Meet new friends



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Premier League

Disability Football

INCLUSIVE U'S FOOTBALL CAMP

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
COST? Earlybird price is £30 for both days or £18.50 for one day.

WHAT TO EXPECT?

- **Expert Coaching:** sessions will be led by our FA-qualified coaches, who are experienced in working with SEND players.
- **Skills Development:** enhance your skills through fun football drills, including passing, dribbling, shooting and match play.
- **Special Guests:** meet Chelsea's Premier League players and club mascot Kicker the Eagle!
- **Exciting Rewards:** every participant will receive a Chelsea's Premier League t-shirt, with additional medals and trophies available to be won.

BERLESDUNA ACADEMY TRUST – VACANCIES

MERRYLANDS – SEND LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANTS – closing date 7th November

MERRYLANDS – MIDDAY ASSISTANT closing date 16th November

WHITMORE – HLTA closing date 18th November

WHITMORE – SEND LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT closing date 24th November

WILLOWS – FIXED TERM EYFS CLASS TEACHER closing date 14th November

For more information and to apply for any of these exciting opportunities, please follow the link to our website [Vacancies - Berlesduna Academy Trust](#)

Crazy Hair Day 2025 - Fundraising for Kids Inspire

