



Dear families

Year 3 travelled back in time this week to investigate why the Romans built a wall between Britannia and Caledonia. We discovered that Hadrian's Wall was much more than a simple barrier – it included turrets, gates and living quarters where Roman soldiers lived and kept watch. The children became historians and engineers as they carefully designed and constructed detailed models of the wall, bringing their learning to life. We were amazed by the thought and skill that went into this incredible Roman achievement! Google Earth transported us back to the present so we could visit Hadrian's wall in 2026.



Year 4 have been busy writing exciting diary recounts based on their exploration of the Egyptian ruins. They demonstrated a fantastic range of Year 4 grammar skills, including expanded noun phrases, ambitious vocabulary and a variety of sentence openers to engage their readers. Their writing was full of imagination and excitement, bringing their Egyptian adventures to life. We are incredibly proud of their hard work and creativity. Well done, Year 4! We can't wait to see these wonderful pieces published in your pink best copy books.

This week the children in year 5 have been working hard to complete their final assessments of year 5. In art, they have been studying the work of Edvard Munch and creating their own interpretations of his work. Within writing, they have been writing their own radio adverts in preparation for their visit with a journalist from The Times next week.

This week in writing, Year 6 have been planning and preparing to write a letter of complaint. To begin with, they explored a range of example letters and discussed the features that make a complaint letter effective and persuasive. Following this, the children investigated different complaint scenarios and took part in engaging role-play activities. As a result, they were able to practise using sentence openers, cohesive devices and persuasive techniques, including powerful language, flattery and emotive language. Overall, the children thoroughly enjoyed stepping into different roles while developing their confidence and skills as persuasive writers.

Miss Tansey and her dedicated team of gardeners in the LKS2 Gardening Club took time out this week



to enjoy the fruits of their labour. After many months of careful planting, watering and tending, the children were delighted to be able to pick their home-grown strawberries and celebrate with a well-deserved treat of strawberries and ice cream. Amidst the busy work of gardening, they learnt an important lesson too – sometimes it's good to pause, relax and



appreciate just how much can be achieved through patience, teamwork and a lot of hard work!

Fairhouse Primary School is getting ready for an exciting "Aspirations Week" next week. We have many visitors lined up across the week to speak to the children about their careers and exciting adventures to give children ideas and aspirations of their own that they might never have thought about before. We can't wait for the children to find out more next week!

Next week see's the start the "Beat The Street" campaign across Basildon. We really hope the children join in with this. There are prizes for the schools with the best engagement. Your child should have come home today with their log in cards / ID and all the information you need to join in the fun!

On Wednesday 17th June, in recognition of the first England match of the 2026 World Cup, we will be holding a dress down day. Children can come to school wearing their team's football shirt / kit or clothes in their team colours for a donation of £1 each. All money raised will go into our school fundraising which, amongst other things, helps pay for wonderful experiences for the children such as the Christmas pantomime.

Just a reminder that there will be no after school clubs on Monday 15th June due to staff training. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Have a great weekend and we look forward to seeing you all back on Monday for a very eventful "Aspirations Week" at Fairhouse Primary.

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 Three

15th - 19th June 2026

Monday

Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake

Rainbow Omelette

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Ham Bap

Seasonal Fruit Medley

Tuesday

Chow Mein with Chicken Goujons

Chow Mein with Veggie Goujons

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Jam Sandwich

Chocolate & Raspberry Cake

Wednesday

Roast Turkey, Yorkie Pud & Gravy

Herby Quorn Fillet, Yorkie Pud & Gravy

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Egg Mayo Baguette

Ice Cream Tub

Thursday

Chicken & Spinach Pasta

Savoury Quorn & Spinach Pasta

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Tuna Bap

Treacle Sponge Pudding

Friday

Fish Fingers

Veggie Fingers

Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans

Cheese Wrap

Fruity Friday

Fairhouse Weekly Attendance Table

Elephants	92.1%
Pandas	95.2%
Hedgehogs	97.2%
Tigers	95%
Macaws	95%
Rhinos	97.9%
Jaguars	95%
Vaquitas	96.2%
Belugas	94.8%
Sea Otters	95.3%
Gorillas	95.3%
Saolas	96.1%
Galapagos Penguins	89.3%
Sea Turtles	94.7%

Well done to Rhinos (KS1) and Vaquitas (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	Jessica & Molly	Kindness
Sea Turtles	Ryan	Kindness
Gorillas	Hayden	Responsibility
Saolas	Tristan-Jack	Courage
Belugas	Glory	Responsibility
Sea Otters	Dami	Kindness
Jaguars	Elroi	Kindness
Vaquitas	Zora	Responsibility
Macaws	Dominic	Responsibility
Rhinos	MJ	Courage
Hedgehogs	Darcy	Kindness
Tigers	Desire	Courage
Elephants	Azalea	Kindness
Pandas	Elsie	Courage



Dates for your Diary



Monday, 15th - Friday, 19th June 2026

Aspirations Week

Tuesday, 16th June 2026

Year 3 Trip - Colchester Castle

Thursday, 18th June 2026

Berlesduna Football & Netball Tournament

Monday, 22nd & Tuesday, 23rd June 2026

'Move Up' / Transition Days

New Intake 2026 Stay & Play Sessions -

Group 1 9.30-10.30am

Group 2 10.45-11.45am

Wednesday, 24th - Friday, 26th June 2026

Year 6 Residential Trip - Danbury Outdoors Centre

Wednesday, 24th June 2026

Year 4 Assembly - 2.40pm

Thursday, 25th June 2026

Year 5 World War 1 Flight Simulator Activity

Friday, 26th June 2026

First Aid Course for Parents - 9.30am-1.30pm

Wednesday, 1st July 2026

Berlesduna Swimming Gala

Year 2 Assembly - 9.15am

Thursday, 2nd July 2026

Year 3 Assembly - 9.15am

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

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 - More info to follow

Tuesday, 14th July 2026

Open Evening 3.30-5.30pm

Wednesday, 15th July 2026

Year 5 Assembly - 9.15am

EYFS / Reception Assembly - 2.45pm

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.

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.



From 17th June to 29th July 2026, Beat the Street will be turning Basildon into a giant game! You can earn points and win prizes by walking, cycling and wheeling around Basildon.

Today your child should have brought home a games pack that includes an instruction leaflet and two games cards, one for you and one for your child plus a map of Basildon.

Located all around Basildon there are 108 Beat the Street boxes to be found. The idea of the game is that you scan your card at each box and this earns points for you and your child's school. The more points you earn the more prizes you can win.

If you would like to take part, you can either download the free Beat the Street app for your phone or register online at beatthestreet.me/Basildon

Please remember to stay safe when out and about this summer but most of all have fun!

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

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.

Studybugs



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.



BERLESDUNA ACADEMY TRUST – VACANCIES

MERRYLANDS – CLEANER closing date 15th June

MERRYLANDS – NURSERY LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT closing date 15th June

WHITMORE – FULLTIME/PARTIME EYFS TEACHER closing date 19th June

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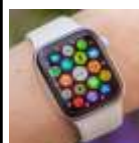
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Make a difference in your local school

- No experience needed
- Training provided



Do you want to give back to your community and help shape the future of children close to home?

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Contact: Julie Lapslie
Email: julielapslie@berlesduna.co.uk

No obligation, no interview pressure
— just a conversation.

You don't need experience in education Just:

- An interest in children and learning
- Willingness to ask questions and share ideas
- Time to attend a few meetings each year

What does a School Governor do?

- Help set the vision and values of the school
- Support and challenge the school leadership
- Make sure pupils get the best possible education

What's involved?

- Around 3 meetings a year
- Meetings are during the day or early evening
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Billericay Evening Support Group The Chantry Centre, Chantry Way, behind the High Street, Billericay	Thursdays 16th April 14th May, 18th June and 16th July 8pm to 9.30pm
Wickford Coffee Morning Miracle House, Silva Island Way Wickford	Mondays 20th April, 11th May and 8th June, 6th July 9.30am to 11.30am
Wickford/Bas Evening Support Group St Peter's Church Hall, nr Sainsburys Wickford/Basildon	Thursday 23rd April, 27th May and 25th June, 23rd July and 27th August 7.30pm to 9.30pm
1 to 1 Appointments Mother's Kitchen Cafe Felmores End, Pitsea	Tuesdays at 9.30am or 10.30am on 28th April or 16th June
Parent/Carer Gentle Relaxation Group Shotgate Hall, Wickford	2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month 7.30pm to 8.30pm

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