



### Dear Families,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the meet the teacher events last week. We will send out the slides and knowledge organisers via email, today.

### World Afro Hair Day

Yesterday was World Afro Hair Day and to celebrate today the children discussed this event in a class assembly and listened to stories celebrating our hair in all its wonderful forms.

### PINS (partnerships for inclusion of neurodiversity in school)

Please come along to our **coffee morning at 9am on Wednesday** in the Art Room with Ms Ryans and Mrs Bruggy. We will share our initial plans for this project and would love to hear your suggestions too.

### Volunteers

We are lucky to have a few volunteers supporting children at school already. We always need more! If you are able to give us some of your time each week, in response, we can offer you fantastic children to support with reading, maths or any other expertise you may have. Please email Ms Ryans if you can help, thank you. [h.ryans@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:h.ryans@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk)

### Social Enterprise Courses

As part of our building works, 'Amber' are offering a range of vocational adult training courses for our families. We will be sending out information separately.

### Gaming Tips for Parents of Neurodivergent Children

Internet Matters have released another really useful guide, this time it's all about online gaming safety tips for parents and carers of neurodivergent children. It's a simple 5-page guide covering the research, example games, some of the challenges which parents face and the all-important benefits.

It's a great little guide which you can download [HERE](#).

### BRECK Foundation Online Safety Talk

Please remember to attend the highly recommended online safety talk for parents on **Monday 23rd September at 6pm** via zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87801213884?pwd=RF6SmpBIM1eND9xO907FuzxIwqFBic.1>

Have a great week,

The Fairlawn Team

### Learning Heroes of the Week

Congratulations to all our resilient learning heroes for showing the following characteristics!

- Perseverance
- Seeking challenges
- Risk Taking
- Positivity



#### This week's class heroes are:

|    |            |            |          |
|----|------------|------------|----------|
| 1C | Sapphire   | Alex       | Ruby     |
| 1P | Daneil     | Max O      | Max NH   |
| 2K | Fox        | Skyla-Rose | Zofia    |
| 2W | Aira       | Emmanuel   | Leo      |
| 3B | Lewie      | Bobby      | Ivygold  |
| 3E | Kai        | Teddy      | Resa     |
| 4P | Romiah     | Ella       | Jessica  |
| 4R | Presley    | Kal'el     | Anaya    |
| 5B | Jasper     | Nayari     | Georgina |
| 5E | Christabel | Louie      | Amaiyah  |
| 6A | Alexa      | Jace       | Nina     |
| 6T | Sophie     | Kyziah     | Floella  |

### Weekly Attendance

|    |        |    |        |    |        |
|----|--------|----|--------|----|--------|
| 1C | 96.67% | 3B | 99.23% | 5B | 96.21% |
| 1P | 98%    | 3E | 94.58% | 5E | 96.15% |
| 2K | 96.67% | 4P | 97%    | 6A | 93.6%  |
| 2W | 98.89% | 4R | 98.5%  | 6T | 96.15% |

Congratulations to **3B** who had the highest attendance last week for KS2.

Congratulations to **2W** with the highest attendance for KS1. They will be caring for our Attendance Axolots.

Congratulations, **1C, 1P, 3B, 5B**, who all had the best punctuality.

School starts at 8:45am

## Diary Dates

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Sept 9am** - PINS coffee morning  
**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 6pm** - Online safety workshop for parents  
**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October** - World Mental Health Day  
**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October** - Show Racism the Red Card - **wear red**  
**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 4-7pm** - Parents Evening  
**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 4-7pm** - Parents Evening  
**WB Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October** - Half-term  
**Holiday Dates link:**  
<https://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Holiday-Dates-2024-2025.pdf>

## Reminders

### School lunch

If you would like to change your child's lunch option for this term, please email Francesca;

[f.marbaix@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:f.marbaix@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk).

**For Nursery children**, the cost of a lunch per day is £2.50. Please pay via ParentPay. Please be aware that packed lunches should not contain **Nuts, Sweets, Chocolate Bars, Fizzy Drinks, or Peanut Butter/Nutella Sandwiches.**

### Punctuality

School starts at 8:45am. Your child will be marked as late if they arrive after 8:55am. If your child arrives 10 minutes late every day, that adds up to almost an hour of school lost every single week!

### Late pick up

If you are running late to collect your child, please inform the office. If you have not arrived to collect your child by **3.45pm** you will be charged **£4 per child**. If you have not arrived by **4pm**, your child will go into After School Club as an emergency place, where you will be charged **£12**.

### Vehicle Slope

For safety reasons the vehicle slope should not be used by pedestrians at any time.

## Music Lessons

[e.fellows@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:e.fellows@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk)

**Brass lessons** or to join Brass Band: Christine Norsworthy (trumpet, cornet, French horn, tenor horn, trombone, baritone & euphonium)

[norsworthy.christine@gmail.com](mailto:norsworthy.christine@gmail.com)

**Piano lessons:** Matt Ridley; No spaces currently, but you will be added to the waiting list [mattridleybass@gmail.com](mailto:mattridleybass@gmail.com)

Flute lessons, please email [ndeaconflute@googlemail.com](mailto:ndeaconflute@googlemail.com)

**Drumming lessons;** Murray Anderson; No spaces currently, but you will be added to the waiting list [murray.anderson@lewishammusic.org](mailto:murray.anderson@lewishammusic.org)

**Guitar lessons;** Martin Budd; Spaces are available. Please email; [martinbuddguitar@hotmail.com](mailto:martinbuddguitar@hotmail.com) for further info.

**Violin lessons** with professional violinist, Shelley Deacon, contact email - [shelleyhector@hotmail.com](mailto:shelleyhector@hotmail.com)



**Mr Aldridge's  
Sports News**

[www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/enrichment/sports/](http://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/enrichment/sports/)

## Autumn 1 Sports Heroes

Every half-term, the children learn about a different sports hero, past or present. This half-term, the focus for each year group is international men:

**Reception:** Usain Bolt

**Year 1:** Michael Jordan

**Year 2:** Muhammad Ali

**Year 3:** Pele

**Year 4:** Arthur Ashe

**Year 5:** Tiger Woods

**Year 6:** Jessie Owens

## Years 5/6 Boys Football Team Trials

This year's trials will be taking place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September in the bottom playground (3.30pm-4.30pm). This season, we are looking for a competitive squad of around 12-14 players.

## Year 6 Sports Leaders

Sports leader training will be taking place on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September in the bottom playground. The first round of training will be for 8 children from 6A – applications are due in by the end of this week. 6T sports leaders will be trained later on in the year.

## Spring Term Sports Clubs

Mon – Rec / KS1 dance (started 9<sup>th</sup> September)

Tues – Rec / KS1 dance (started 10<sup>th</sup> September)

Wed – Year 5 football (starts 25<sup>th</sup> September)

Thurs – Years 5/6 girls football team (am) - ongoing

Thurs – Year 2 football (starts 19<sup>th</sup> September)

Fri – Years 3/4 football (starts 20<sup>th</sup> September)

## Years 5/6 boys football team – day / time TBC

There are only a few places still available in Wednesday's Year 5 football club and Friday's Years 3/4 football club. Payment can be made via Parent Pay to secure your child's place.

**Please note that it is necessary for us to charge for clubs that are led by outside specialists.**

## Sporting Achievements

**Please send any sports news my way:**

[s.aldridge@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:s.aldridge@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk)



### Diary Dates:

- 9th Oct - PTA social & AGM at the Watson's
- 18th Oct - Coffee morning, all welcome
- 18th Oct - Cake sale
- 21st Nov - Quiz Night
- 6th Dec - Coffee morning, all welcome
- 7th Dec - Fairlawn Winter Fair
- 13th Dec - Cake sale & mulled wine

Our first event is the PTA social & AGM at the Watson's on **Wednesday 9th October (from 7.30pm onwards)**. We hope to see as many of you there as possible for a drink and updates from our last meeting.

### PTA Logo Competition:

The PTA would like a new logo! Design a new logo which represents our school community and you could win one of the following prizes:

1st place & the new logo for Fairlawn PTA - £10 book voucher

2nd place - 2 prizes, one each for KS1 & KS2, £10 book voucher

Entries close Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Please send entries either to [pta@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:pta@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk) or hand them in to reception with your name & class on.

Good luck!

### Easy Fundraising:

Please remember to use Easyfundraising when doing your weekly grocery shopping, booking holidays, or paying utilities. Log into Easyfundraising, set up your account benefiting Fairlawn and access your favourite online shopping sites from there. **You will raise funds with each purchase at no extra cost to you.** Please encourage friends and relatives to do the same.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fairlawnpta/>

[pta@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:pta@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk)

Thank you again for helping to support the PTA!

Philippa, Georgia & Pollyanna



### Match Funding

Did you know that hundreds of companies throughout the UK offer employees the chance to boost their fundraising efforts by 'matching' the money they raise? So, if you support the PTA e.g. by helping on a cake sale or at a stall at the Winter Fair, your company may match the money you raise through that activity. We raised an incredible £1,000 in matched funding last year alone.

Generally, banks and building societies, insurance companies, supermarkets, utilities providers, phone companies, professional services and car manufacturers are known to offer match funding schemes. If you work for one of these companies, you can approach your manager or HR department to find out if they have a scheme in place. It's not complicated and the only cost to you is the time of speaking to your company.

If you'd like any more information, please get in touch with us at [pta@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:pta@fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk)