



The Fairfield Fanfare



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Broadening Horizons



KEY MESSAGES

Home Time Arrangements

The office has been receiving several messages towards the end of the school day regarding changes to home-time arrangements. These messages are frequently arriving at the very end of the school day or after the day has already finished.

To help us ensure that all changes are communicated in time and our children are safeguarded, please let the office know of any last-minute changes by 3pm at the latest.

Parking

We would also like to remind parents and carers to be considerate when parking in the morning. Where possible, please avoid blocking residents' driveways and parking on the zigzag markings outside school.

Thank you for helping us to keep the area safe and accessible for everyone.

A Huge Congratulations to Mrs Harrison

We are delighted to share that our wonderful Learning Mentor, Mrs Harrison, has received a commendation from the council in recognition of the incredible work she does to safeguard and support our children.

Those who know Mrs Harrison will know that she goes above and beyond every day, always putting the wellbeing, safety and happiness of our children first. It is so lovely to see her dedication recognised, and we couldn't be prouder!

Mrs Harrison is truly flying the Fairfield flag and representing the care and hard work of our whole school team.

Please join us in giving her a very well-deserved CONGRATULATIONS! 🎉👏



Catering Update

Thank you to all the parents and carers who shared feedback on our new catering menu. We're pleased to say that, following your feedback, ham and cheese rolls are back! 🥖🥚

Children can now choose from ham, cheese, egg or tuna rolls at lunchtime.

[Click here for
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Feedback Form](#)

Labelling Clothing

We are finding lots of lost property around school without names in it. Please remember to label your child's clothes and belongings so that anything they lose can be easily returned to them.

Thank you
for your
help!



Mrs Jones Says...



We are so impressed with our Reception children, who have been coming into assembly smartly and sensibly.

Our youngest children in Nursery have also been doing a wonderful job of moving around school responsibly when walking to and from the dining hall. Well done!

RD
NJ

ATTENDANCE



Academy Target: 97%+

Attendance to date: 95.6%

Our current attendance is below the trust target, but above national.

We have had lots of children off with colds and coughs over the last two weeks. Don't forget that you can send us an MCAS with an **under the weather notice** and still send your child into school.

Most Improved Attendance...

1B- 95.9%
Up from 93.6%

Y5- 96.4%
Up from 96.2%

Y2- 95.9%
Up from 93.5%

Our girls are outperforming our boys with a whopping 96.6%



Monday 5th October	Read Write Inc Phonics Meeting-Reception Parents	Miss Lambert, our Read Write Inc lead, is hosting a workshop for Reception parents after school from 3:30 to 4:10. Please wait under the blue canopy once the children have been dismissed, and she will come to let you in! Remember to avoid crowding the children as they leave; we will remind Reception parents about this via MCAS.
Thursday 9th October	World Mental Health Day	It is World Mental Health Day this week. We are celebrating this on Thursday. Children can swap one piece of their school uniform for something yellow. This could be anything from yellow socks to a hair bobble! If you want to donate please go to World Mental Health Day 2026
Friday 10th October	Crazy Hair Day for Glioblastoma	Send your child to school with the craziest hair you can! If you'd like to donate please go to Donate & Shop . A reminder that we do not collect cash donations in school.
Tuesday 13th October 	Wrap Around Care MCAS Bookings Closed	We are closing this off as we need to ensure that outstanding balances are paid in full and refunds are given as needed. Get ahead of the game and get booked in and paid up now! From the 13th bookings will need to be made via MCAS message. Please note that if outstanding balances are not paid in full these will be added directly to your account and you will not be able to access wrap around care for your child next half term.
Tuesday 13th October	Author Visit Y4, Y5 & Y6	We have Rachel Morrisroe in to visit Y4-Y6. We will send any information out closer to the date. Don't worry, we haven't forgotten about KS1. More events will follow later in the year...
Friday 16th October	Individual photographs	Wrates will be in to take individual pictures of your children. Make sure their hair is combed and they have their best smile ready! Please note that if your child does not attend Nursery on a Friday, they will not be having their photo taken.
Friday 16th October	New Wrap Around Care Dates Added	Bookings for the second part of the Autumn Term will be available for you to view from the 16th October. We will send you an MCAS once it is ready! If you have any balances outstanding you will not be able to book any new sessions.
Friday 16th October	LAST DAY OF TERM	The children break up on this date. We hope they have a fabulous October half term.
Monday 2nd November	Children return to school 	Gates open at 8:40am, with classroom doors opening at 8:45am. Children should be in school for the register at 8:50am. Breakfast Club opens the usual time of 7:30am.

SEND COFFEE MORNING



Mr Dickson and Mrs Jones would like to say a big thank you to all the parents who joined us for our **SEND Coffee Morning on 1st October**. They loved meeting you and having the opportunity to chat about your children.

We know that the language around SEND can sometimes feel confusing, so **SEND Family Support** have created a helpful **SEND Jargon Buster** to explain some of the terminology.

[Click here to take a look.](#)



Author Visit

Darren Simpson came to visit our Y5/6 children and hold an interactive workshop with them. Thank you to those that purchased a signed copy for their child.

