

4<sup>th</sup> September 2020

# Fairfield Newsletter

## Welcome Back

It has been a great start to the school year. The children are looking so smart in their uniforms and have demonstrated excellent behaviour for learning.

It has been a little different, due to assemblies taking place online and daily activities being completed in 'bubble groups', however the children have been sensible and are following our safety expectations brilliantly.

They have been kind and polite to each other and have thoroughly enjoyed making new friends / seeing their old friends. A definite highlight of the week for many has been playing on the new outdoor equipment – it has been a hit!

The children's attitude to learning has been exceptional and the teachers are so proud of the work they are producing.

We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead watching the children SHINE!

## Start and End of Day Update

A big thank you for your patience and understanding as we develop our systems and procedures.

Please be reassured that the children will not be marked late on the register. The time slots are there to enable an opportunity for the children to arrive from 8:30am until 9:15am.

We have had large numbers arriving and waiting from 8:15am. Where possible, please arrive within your allocated year group time slot. Please do not arrive earlier than the time slots specified below. This will help all families adhere to social distancing expectations both within the school grounds and beyond.

Y3/4:	8:30am – 8:45am 3:00pm – 3:15pm
Y1/2/5:	8:45am – 9:00am 3:15pm – 3:30pm
EYFS & Y6	9:00am – 9:15am 3:30pm – 3:45pm

## The return of DRUMBA!

Our Y6 children have loved their Drumba sessions this week. DRUMBA is a high-energy workout session based around a mix of popular music whilst learning and playing a drum. It is a cross curricular class that delivers music and P.E. in one lesson and demands concentration, memory and stamina. All children from Y1-Y6 will take part in DRUMBA sessions during the school year. Below is a list of benefits of DRUMBA:

- ✓ A positive charge that lasts for days afterwards
- ✓ Co-ordination skills
- ✓ Full body and mind workout
- ✓ Feel good factor
- ✓ Cross lateral brain development
- ✓ Fine motor skills and handwriting improvement
- ✓ Feel part of a team by playing in time and moving in sync with others
- ✓ Inclusive
- ✓ Engage kinaesthetic learners
- ✓ Build confidence
- ✓ Learn traditional drumming disciplines
- ✓ Contributes towards a 30 minute per day active/healthy schools agenda

## Menu week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020

<b>Monday</b>	Chicken Chasseur/Vegetarian Pasta Bolognese, sweetcorn, garlic slice, steamed rice Cheese/Ham Sandwiches, fruit, crisps, biscuit	Cherry sponge and custard Cheese & Biscuits / Fresh Fruit & Yogurts
<b>Tuesday</b>	Roast Beef/Roast Quorn, Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding, broccoli, creamed potatoes Cheese/Tuna Sandwiches, fruit, crisps, biscuit	Fruit Muffin Cheese & Biscuits / Fresh Fruit & Yogurts
<b>Wednesday</b>	Chicken and Red Pepper Pasta / Vegetable Chow Mein, garden peas, garlic slice Cheese/Ham Sandwiches, fruit, crisps, biscuit	Coconut Biscuit Cheese & Biscuits / Fresh Fruit & Yogurts
<b>Thursday</b>	Roast Chicken/Roast Quorn, sage and onion stuffing gravy, carrots, creamed potatoes Cheese/Tuna Sandwiches, fruit, crisps, biscuit	Fruit Flapjack Cheese & Biscuits / Fresh Fruit & Yogurts
<b>Friday</b>	Sausages/Mexican Cheese & Bean Burritos, baked beans, chips	Chocolate Brownie Muffin Cheese & Biscuits / Fresh Fruit & Yogurts

*\*Bread and Salad will be available at lunch  
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*\*If you pay for **school dinners** for your child(ren) in KS2 (Y3-6) during Autumn Term; these will be delivered as packed lunches to their classrooms. We will aim for at least one school dinner per week to be a 'hot packed lunch'. **Universal Free School Meals** for EYFS and KS1 (Y1&Y2) will continue to be provided in the dining hall.*

## Activities for week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020

<b>Monday</b>	Children to bring PE Kits to school Welcome to our EYFS children – your first full day at school!
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	DRUMBA – Y6
<b>Friday</b>	Roald Dahl Celebrations – bring your favourite Roald Dahl book to school PE Kits to be returned home today to be washed

### Calendar – Autumn 1

**11/09** Roald Dahl Celebration – bring your favourite book  
**14/09** PTFA Committee meeting (Zoom) 4:00pm  
**16/09** Phonics workshop for parents 10:30am/5pm (Zoom)  
**17/09** SEND surgery 9:30am (Zoom)  
**18/09** Jeans for Genes Day Non uniform £1 optional  
**22-29/09** Scholastic Book Fair  
**22/09** Academy Class photos  
**22/09** Pupil learning meetings 3:30pm-6:30pm (Zoom)  
**23/09** Pupil learning meetings 3:30pm-6:30pm (Zoom)

**29/09** EYFS New Starters 2021 – Open Event (1:30pm - Zoom)  
**08/10** Dress up for Science Week  
**09/10** World Mental Health Day – wear yellow  
**14/10** Year 6 Big Family Quiz Night 5:30-6:30pm (Zoom)  
**15/10** EYFS New Starters 2021 – Open Event (9:15am - Zoom)  
**16/10** INSET Day  
**19/10 – 30/10** October half term  
**02/11** – Back to school  
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