



Weekly Bulletin – Keeping you informed!

Dates for the diary:

Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
Wed 25 th & Thurs 26 th May	Year 5	Year 5 Play, 6:30pm - School Hall
Fri 27 th May	All Years	School Breaks Up for Half Term
Mon 6 th June	All Years	School Re-Opens to Staff and Pupils
Mon 6 th June – Wed 8 th June	Year 6	Osmington Bay Trip
Mon 6 th June – Fri 10 th June	Year 8	London Trip

Y6 Art project on African masks

Y6 pupils were tasked to create a mask in the style of Chief Jimoh Buraimoh, an African artist. The children have had great fun designing and making their masks. We have enjoyed watching the masks evolve and the standard of the work was incredibly high.



School Record Breakers

A few pupils this week have managed to break some of the schools records in athletics. A big congratulations to Dan H who smashed the 100m record in 13.68 seconds, Triston J threw an impressive 8.90m in shot putt, Charlotte M leaped 9.72m in triple jump and Noah P threw a huge 36.10m in ball throw. I'm sure we will see a few more records broken in the coming weeks.

Accelerated Readers

On Monday we introduced our new reading programme 'Accelerated Reader' (AR) to all pupils in KS2. We are implementing the reading programme to provide greater opportunity for children to make more informed choices about the books they are reading. We hope it will instill a greater sense of enjoyment from 'reading for pleasure', whilst also supporting teachers to track students independent reading and progress. A parent guide will be available next week to view on the school website.

Our values 'Caring and Inspirational'

Safeguarding

Safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility. If you are worried about a child, please call 07506731640 or email safeguarding@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk

Designated Safeguarding Lead:
Helen Heffernan

Covid-19

If your child is feeling unwell or tests positive for Covid-19, please contact the school office on 01934 743186, or email using the new school absence email address: -

absence@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk

Wellbeing

If your child needs any help, advice or someone to talk to, please contact the school office. We have trained mental health first aiders that are here to help.

The Ark is also open at social times for children to attend should they need to. Members of our ELSA team run this facility. 'You are human and it's ok to struggle.' 'It is important to look after yourself and mind.'

Term dates 2021/22

Term dates can be found [here](#)

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Communities Day

Tuesday saw the return of Communities Day to Year 5. A number of visitors spoke to the Year 5 pupils from a range of professions. We had an emergency services morning where the pupils were able to make plenty of noise by turning the sirens on in a number of different vehicles; this was topped off by the mounted police talking to the pupils on the field.

Later in the day, we welcomed Mr Heappey via Teams and the pupils asked him many tough questions. It was apparent the pupils are very passionate about the situation in Ukraine as well as some local issues. Other visitors were the Axbridge Town Mayor, the Axbridge Town Crier, a GP, the head of technology at the BBC and an ecologist - <https://apatchwilder.com/> from Shipham who aim to benefit wildlife and connect people with the environment around them. Children learnt about what they could do to help wildlife in their community and made bird feeders.

The pupils finished the day talking about their own community and what they are grateful for. This work will form part of a jubilee-inspired display outside the front of school.

A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered part of their day to come and speak to the pupils. The pupils were very grateful for their time and enjoyed the day.



Covid-19 Guidelines

From Friday 1st April, the guidance for managing Covid-19 in education settings changed.

- Children and young people aged 18 and under who test positive for Covid-19 should try and stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days.
- Adults who test positive for Covid-19 should try and stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days.
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid any contact with other people. Then can return to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

Please note we are unable to issue any LFT kits to pupils. These are available to buy from most pharmacies.

Recently shared letters

No new letters this week

Useful Information

Up to date information can be found on our website: www.fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk

You can also keep informed via our Twitter feed @Fairlands482