



Fairfields School

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No.2 Term 2 2018

Important Dates

Friday 16th November

Children In Need fancy dress day

Tuesday 20th November

Special visitor

Wednesday 12th December

Christmas concert: Otter and Duckling classes. 2.15pm

Thursday 13th December

1.45pm

Christmas concert: classes to be confirmed

Friday 14th December 1.45pm

Christmas concert: Classes to be confirmed

Christmas Jumper day

Monday 17th December

Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 19th December

Visit from Santa

Last day of Term 2

Thursday 3rd January 2019

Staff training day

Friday 4th January

Pupils return for start of Term 3

Friday 15th February

Last day of Term 3

Monday 25th February

Start of Term 4

Friday 5th April

Last day of Term 4

Tuesday 23rd April

Staff training day

Wednesday 24th April

Start of term 5

Monday 6th May

Bank Holiday

Special Visitor

On Tuesday 20th November we will be privileged by a visit from HRH Countess of Wessex. This is to help commemorate our 80th Anniversary. We are aiming for the day to run as close to usual so that we can celebrate the fantastic work of the school. We are proud of all the children and wish for them to show our special visitor how our school works as close to usual as possible.

The vast majority of children wear our school uniform and we ask that they do so on this day. They all look fantastic in their uniform.

We will take photographs to share bearing in mind who does and doesn't have permission for photographs. We will of course give you an update after the visit.

I hope you agree that this is a wonderful way to celebrate our school with others.

Building up-date

After what felt like a slow start the extension is growing by the day. Brick-layers have been beavering away and hopefully soon the new roof will be assembled.

We are coping extremely well with the disruption thanks to your support. We appreciate that the temporary entrance and office arrangements aren't ideal but are necessary during the build.

The children have been fascinated by the works and have especially enjoyed watching the diggers.

We are waiting for a fence to be put up around the gabion wall in the new playground area; once this has been completed we can start to think about how we can make the best use of this space. We hope to use some of our Sports Grant to buy new equipment to support your child's physical and social development.

Attendance Matters

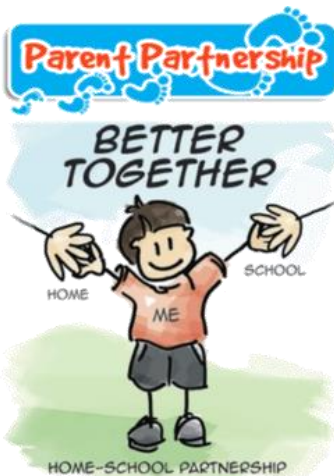


Last year our attendance target was 94%, we actually achieved

Our current attendance is 93.17%

Regular attendance really does matter so please try to send your child into school every day; unless of course they are feeling too poorly. If you have difficulties with your child's attendance please contact Janice Crane, our Assistant Family Support Worker who will be happy to try to help.

Please note, due to government regulations, the headteacher is unable to authorise holidays in term time except in very exceptional circumstances.



October 31st – Grandparents Day/Halloween tuck shop. It was lovely to see so many Grandparents – thank you ☺

November 14th – The Good Loaf will be coming to tell us about the work they do and to bring samples of their breads and cakes! Hope you can join us.

December 4th- Christmas Table Decorations. One of our parents will be showing us how to make a table decoration which you will be able to take home. More details to follow!

January 22nd- Questions and answers with the school nursing team.

Christmas concert dates:

Wednesday 12th December 2.15pm: Otter and Duckling Classes

Thursday 13th December 1.45pm: KS1: Classes to be confirmed

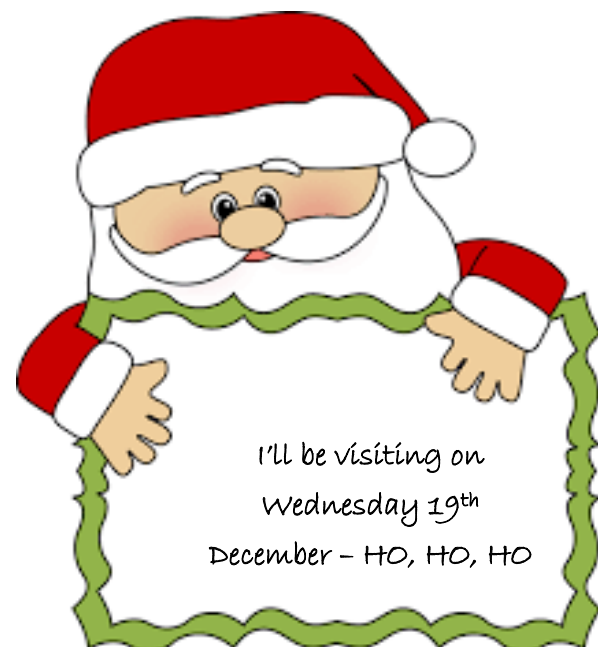
Friday 14th December: KS2 classes to be confirmed



Friday 14th December



Monday 17th December



SEND REFORM

How was it for you?

Now that the reform has been fully implemented, the Northants Parent Forum Group (NPFG) would like to find out how the process was/is for your family.

We all agree that the reform is a great piece of legislation for our children and young people but we are also aware of the many challenges, which came along with it.

We would like to invite you to join us at our interactive feedback event on:

Date: Friday, 23rd November 2018 or Saturday, 24th November 2018

Time: 10:00h – 14:00h

Where: King's Park Conference Centre, King's Park Road
Northampton, NN3 6LL

The day will kick off with a general update on the reform from Victoria Federico, Solicitor & Head of Education Law at Access Legal Solicitors followed by a local update from a representative of the EHC team at Northamptonshire County Council. Service providers will support the event with information stalls.

Victoria Federico will be offering 1:1 advice slots until 13:00h on Friday. There will be lots of feedback opportunities at this drop in event, so you can stay as long or as little as your time allows. If you are unable to join us at all in person, you can provide feedback via Survey Monkey using the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/XDRWW3Y>

Light refreshments will be available on both days. Please book via



enquiries@npfg.co.uk and come and join us!