Friday 2nd October 2026

Fairford Academy Barnehurst Newsletter

October	
12th & 13th	Parents Consultations
16th	Own Clothes Day 'PJ Day'
16th	Whole School Learning Showcase 2:15pm
19th-30th	Half Term

November	
2nd	Nursery Tours 10am & 2pm
4th	Reception Tours 10am & 1:30pm
6th	Inset Day
17th	Reception Tours 10am & 1:30pm
27th	Reception Tours 10am & 1:30pm

December	
3rd	Nursery Tours 10am & 2pm
4th	PTA Christmas Fair
8th	Reception Tours 10am & 1:30pm
9th	Christmas Jumper Day
11th	Rock Steady Concert



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic week we have had at Fairford! Here are some of our highlights and important reminders.

🪢 **Thank You, Skiptember!**

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who took part in our Skiptember skipping challenge!

☕ **Coffee Morning**

It was lovely to see so many familiar and friendly faces at our coffee morning this week. Thank you to everyone who joined us!
Our next coffee morning will be on **26th November.** We will be holding it **straight after drop-off**, so you won't need to wait around. We look forward to seeing you there!

A Shout-Out to Our Boys' Football Team!

A huge well done to our boys' football team for their fantastic teamwork, respect and determination this week - and for securing their first win! 🎉⚽

Attendance

This week, our whole-school attendance reached an amazing 97.9%! 🎉
Well done, everyone! Let's see if we can beat that next week!

SEN Surgeries

If you would like to book an appointment for our SEN Surgery, please contact the school office, who will be happy to arrange this for you.

🎃 **Spooky Discos**

Next week, we have our Spooky Discos!
Don't forget to purchase your tickets. Bookings close on Sunday.
Drop-off and collection will be from the Breakfast Club doors.
We can't wait to see everyone's spooky outfits!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We hope you all have a lovely weekend and enjoy some well-deserved family time!

Warm Wishes
Ms Aujla

Attendance and Late Marks

For week ending 02/10/26

Class	Attendance	Lates
Ladybirds	92.1%	2
Butterflies	97.9%	3
Dragonflies	94.1%	4
Owls	100.0%	3
Squirrels	95.0%	4
Koalas	99.0%	3
Kookaburras	97.7%	3



Challenge– Let's hit the 96% mark for all classes. Those classes who have had the biggest improvement will win a prize!

Class	Attendance	Lates
Hippos	93.2%	0
Lynx	96.7%	0
Pandas	92.5%	2
Peacocks	93.3%	0
Snow Leopards	94.3%	0
Tigers	95.0%	0

Class	Attendance	Lates
Narwhals	97.9%	3
Penguins	96.2%	1
Dolphins	92.0%	3
Whales	96.2%	4
Giraffes	96.0%	4
Lions	98.4%	3
Zebras	95.4%	1
Eagles	97.0%	2
Falcons	99.0%	1
Hawks	95.3%	2

Dates for your Diary

Weekly Calendar

Mon 5th Oct 2026	Tues 6th Oct 2026	Wed 7th Oct 2026	Thurs 8th Oct 2026	Fri 9th Oct 2026
Flu Vaccinations	Individual School Photos PTA Spooky Discos **CLUBS** Arts and Crafts Reading Mindfulness Colouring Lego	Phonics Workshop 9am PTA Spooky Discos **CLUBS** Choir Wellbeing	Phonics Workshop 3:15pm	Reception Tours 10am & 1:30pm

Illuminateminds Trust – Term Dates 2026/27

September 2026

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
36		1	2	3	4	5	6
37	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
38	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
39	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
40	28	29	30				

October 2026

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
40				1	2	3	4
41	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
42	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
43	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
44	26	27	28	29	30	31	

November 2026

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
44							1
45	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
46	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
47	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
48	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
49	30						

December 2026

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
49		1	2	3	4	5	6
50	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
51	14	15	16	*17	18	19	20
52	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
53	28	29	30	31			

January 2027

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
53					1	2	3
1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
3	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
4	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

February 2027

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
5	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
7	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
8	22	23	24	25	26	27	28

March 2027

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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11	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
12	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
13	29	30	31				

April 2027

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
13				1	2	3	4
14	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
15	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
16	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
17	26	27	28	29	30		

May 2027

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
17						1	2
18	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
21	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
22	31						

June 2027

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
22		1	2	3	4	5	6
23	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
24	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
25	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
26	28	29	30				

July 2027

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
26				1	2	3	4
27	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
28	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
29	19	* 20	21	22	23	24	25
30	26	27	28	29	30	31	

August 2027

Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
30							1
31	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
32	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
33	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
34	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
35	30	31					

INSET DAYS | HOLIDAYS

*School finishes at 1.00pm on 17/12/26 & 20/07/27



INDEPENDENTCATERING | EDUCATERLIMITED

WEEK 5

Made in your school kitchen! We prepare and cook all our menu items, so if you need to know the ingredients, please ask
All our meals are made daily from fresh locally sourced and seasonal produce from Kent

DUE TO CURRENT SUPPLY RISKS, ALLERGENS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

	MONDAY 5 OCTOBER	TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER	WEDNESDAY 7 OCTOBER	THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER	FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER
V VEGETARIAN VEGAN	Vegetarian Sausage Roll (1) VEGAN	Halloumi, Sweet Potato and Pepper served on Rice (9)	Herb Crumb Topped Stuffed Courgette with Rice (1,8) VEGAN	Roasted Vegetable and caramelised Red Onion Pizza (1,7, 8, 9,10)	Sweet Potato and Chickpea Patty Wrap (1) VEGAN
M MAIN MEAL	Homemade Sausage Roll (1, 14)	Beef Cottage Pie 10)	Roast Turkey with Stuffing and Gravy (1)	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (1,7,8, 9,10)	Breaded Fish (1, 4)
P PASTA DISH	Chunky Tomato Twirls (1)	Mac n' Cheese (1, 8,9, 11)	Fresh Pesto Pasta (1)	Mixed Pepper Pasta (1)	Roasted Courgette Ragu Twirls (1) Try our Ingredient of the month
J JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potato with Topping of the Day	Jacket Potato with Topping of the Day	Jacket Potato with Topping of the Day	Jacket Potato with Topping of the Day	Jacket Potato with Topping of the Day
S SIDE DISHES	Herby New Potatoes, Baked Beans and Salad Bar	Fresh Carrots and Salad Bar	Roast Potatoes, Roasted Root Vegetables and Fresh Cabbage	Diced Potatoes, Fresh Broccoli, and Salad Bar	Chips, Garden Peas and Salad Bar
D DESSERT DISHES	Apricot and Pear Sponge with Custard (1, 7,8, 9) Try our Ingredient of the month	Pineapple Upside Down Cake with Custard (1, 7,8, 9)	Mixed Berry Mousse with Biscuit Crumb (1, 8,9)	Tutti Frutti Thursday	Chocolate Brownie (1, 7,8 9)

AVAILABLE DAILY – HOMEMADE WHOLEMEAL BREAD (1, 8) • JELLY • FRESH FRUIT • CHEESE BISCUITS (1, 9) • FRESH SALAD BAR

ALLERGEN KEY

1 CEREALS CONTAINING GLUTEN	3 MOLLUSCS	5 PEANUTS	7 EGGS	9 MILK	11 MUSTARD	13 SESAME
2 CRUSTACEANS	4 FISH	6 NUTS	8 SOYBEANS	10 CELERY	12 LUPIN	14 SULPHUR DIOXIDE

***ALL OUR MENUS ARE TREE NUT AND PEANUT FREE**

INGREDIENTS CONTAINING GLUTEN (INDICATED BY THE NUMBER 1 ON THE MENU) WILL CONTAIN WHEAT, OATS, BARLEY, SPELT, RYE OR KAMUT, OR A COMBINATION THEREOF. IF YOU HAVE ANY ALLERGEN CONCERNS PLEASE SPEAK TO THE CATERING MANAGER. WHILST WE DO NOT BRING WHOLE NUTS OR INGREDIENTS WITH NUTS INTO OUR KITCHENS, SOME PRODUCTS ARE SUBJECT TO 'MAY CONTAIN' STATUS IN MANUFACTURING

WE ONLY USE

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Lunch Menu

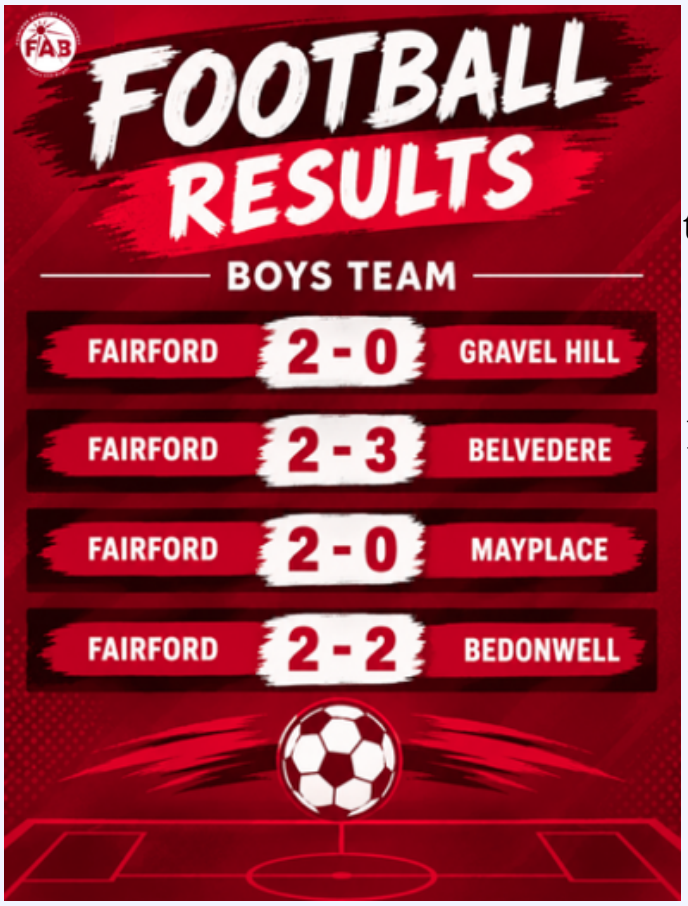
Student Achievements

Thea YR5

We are incredibly proud of one of our talented students, who recently performed in The Gala with Stagecoach Drama School. She gave an outstanding performance, showcasing her skills in singing, dancing and acting on stage.
Her hard work, dedication and confidence truly shone through. We are delighted to celebrate her achievement and look forward to hearing about her future successes.
Well done, and congratulations on such an amazing performance! 🌟



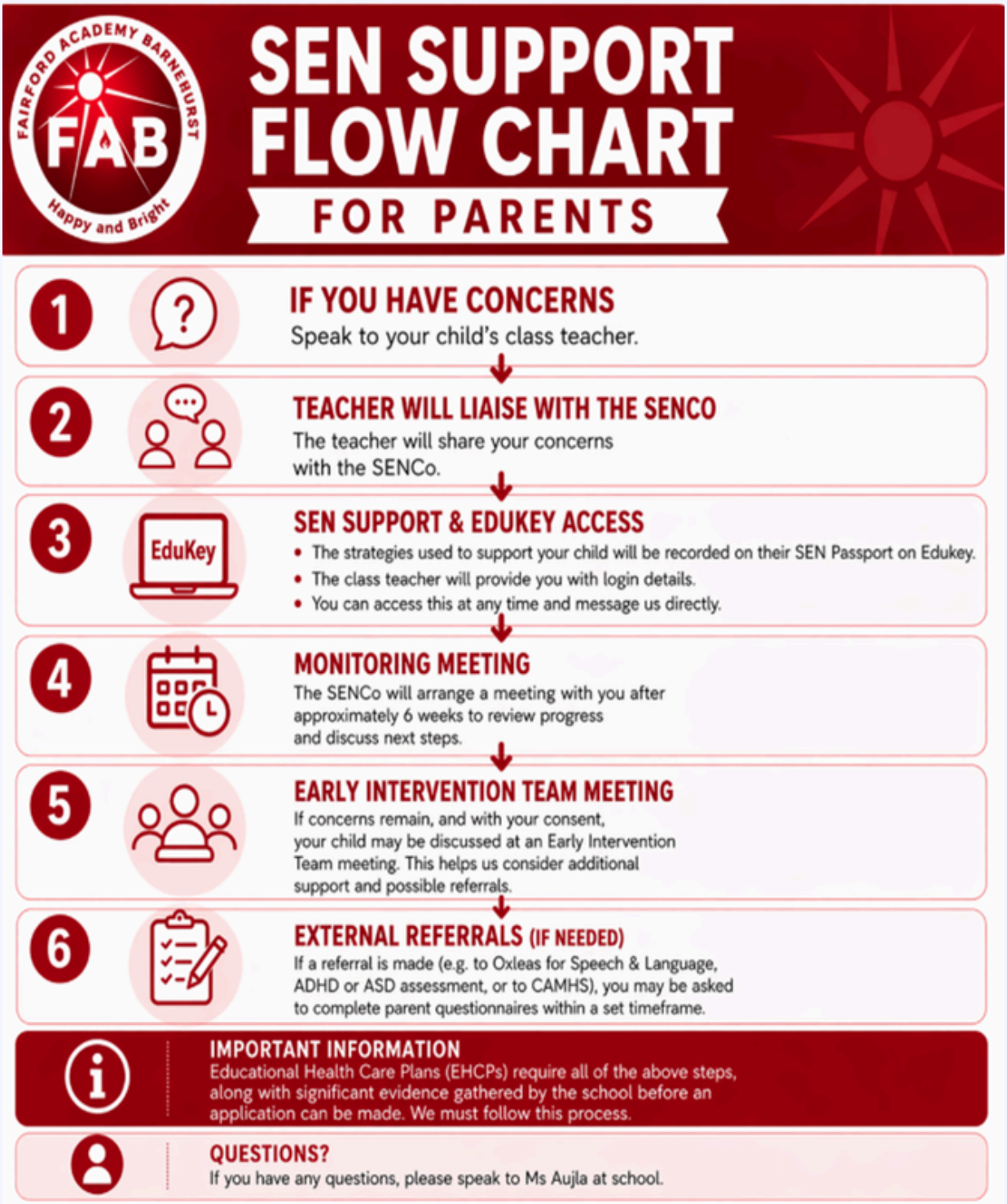
Amazing!



A huge well done to our Fairford Football Team, who have had a fantastic week of football! The team showed great determination, teamwork and sportsmanship in their matches, making everyone at Fairford incredibly proud.
Their hard work in training is really paying off, and it has been wonderful to see their confidence and skills continue to grow. Whether scoring goals, making important saves or supporting their teammates, every player played their part in the team's success.
Congratulations to all of our players on such a brilliant week. Keep up the great work, Fairford! ⚽🏆💙💛

SEN Surgeries

Bookings are still available with Ms Aujla and Miss Cousins for the next week. If you would like to book a meeting please email fairfordadmin@illuminateminds.org



Information







Information

See this weeks Wake up Wednesday's online safety guide which explores looksmaxxing, its impact on boys' body image, and the risks of extreme appearance advice and online communities.







To book a ticket go to www.pta-events.co.uk/fairfordfab-pta

bookings close on sunday



LGfL Free School Meals Eligibility Checker

check your eligibility at https://fsm.lgfl.net

Cool Milk

Register your child for school milk at https://coolmilk.com/parents/

Information

When dropping off and collecting your children from school, please be mindful of our neighbours. We have received concerns from local residents asking that driveways are not blocked or used for parking at any time. In addition, please do not park in restricted areas, including the zig-zag lines outside the school, permit holder spaces, or in car parks within the surrounding closes.

Your cooperation in respecting local residents, road safety regulations, and access for all is greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance for your support









If you would like to speak to a member of the school leadership team please email:
Fairfordadmin@illuminateminds.org