

Fairstead Community Primary and Nursery School

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At Fairstead Community Primary and Nursery School, we nurture and invest in our relationships. We identify each individual's potential and work as a team to create a safe environment for everyone to grow and succeed.

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# Dear Parents and Carers,

After three weeks back I have been thinking a lot about how our leadership has changed. During the last 18 months we came together as a community to support each other in a very different way and what we achieved together was phenomenal. Now, we have to pull together to ensure our children continue to progress so that they are ready for their next steps. Regularly reading with children, talking to them about their learning and the four core values which are pinned below will help us support the children with consistent messages.

## **Member of Parliament Visit**

James Wild is a British Conservative Party politician. He has been the Member of Parliament for North West Norfolk since the 2019 general election and will be visiting our school on October 12<sup>th</sup>. He will be discussing leadership with our school council and taking part in Q&A sessions with some of the classes. This is a great opportunity for us to showcase the school's improvements and give children the chance to partake in discussion about the issues that are important to them.

### Class Dojo

Thank you to Mrs Uttin who is starting our class Dojo shop. She has worked tirelessly to build relationships with companies like Tesco's, Morrison's and Kings Lynn Soccer School who have contributed to our rewards. The children will get an opportunity to spend or save their Dojo points every fortnight. Should they choose to save their points the rewards go up in value but we all know how nice it is to be able to treat ourselves every now and again after working hard. If you are not registered on the Class Dojo app so that you can share in the praise your child receives please contact the school office.

#### **Parent Governor**

We will shortly be advertising for a parent governor post. By becoming a school governor, you can help take control of your child's learning, and influence the direction that our school is taking. Not only will your efforts as a governor benefit your child and the school, but it will also benefit your own personal and professional development. Being a governor allows you to gain a variety of new skills, and develop the ones you already have. It doesn't matter if you don't think your career experience – or lack of – is relevant to education; we need need people from all backgrounds who can bring their personal knowledge to Fairstead Community Primary and Nursery School. If you would like to talk about the role and find out more information please contact Mrs Collins or myself and we will be happy to talk about it with you.

Be Safe



Be Respectful



Be a Learner



Be Responsible



# **Photographs**

Please make sure that on Friday 1st October children have their full school uniform on as it is school photo day. There will not be the opportunity for group photos with siblings at this point.

#### **PE Kits**

I have noticed improvements in the amount of children wearing the correct PE kit however, there are still some children who have not managed to do this yet. Please ensure you child has the correct kit on the days they have PE. If there are any difficulties please contact the school office and we will be happy to support you.

### Horstead

The year 6 team have been working hard to plan the year 6 residential to Horstead. We are so please that this is happening again as the experience will:

- Develop independence
- Improve confidence and self esteem
- Improve teacher and child relationships
  - Help to motivate children
  - Make lifelong memories

### Zoolab

Fairstead Primary school welcomed Zoolab in to school yesterday. Children in Nursery, Year 1, 2 and 4 got the opportunity to discuss animals, feel snakes, rats and spiders amongst other creatures. This has supported the engagement of those children in their curriculum topics and provided them with a very enjoyable day, which will no doubt motivate them as they learn.

# **Key Dates**

Inset Days are as follows:

2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2021 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2021 4th Jan 2022 - Additional bank holiday 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2022 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Please remember to check our school website www.fairsteadprimaryschool.co.uk for further updates.

The schools newsletter will go out every three weeks from now on and this will be supported by class newsletters at the beginning of each half term and Mrs Uttin's new Safeguarding newsletter. This will provide you with up to date practices in safeguarding children, advice and guidance and important contacts should you require them.

Thank you for your continued support

**Daniel Farthing** Headteacher.

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