

FAIRISLE TIMES

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Awards Update 2023-24

Over the past 2 terms, all the children have been working towards various awards in their planners. These include the Bronze, Silver and Gold awards that children receive when they have earned House Points and Merits in class, as well as Headteacher's Awards and Learners of the Week. Here are the numbers of awards I have presented so far during this school year:

Learners of the Week	58 children
Headteacher's Awards	190 children
Bronze Award (25 House Points)	88 children
Silver Award (50 House Points)	33 children
Gold Award (75 House Points)	2 children



House Points are awarded for outstanding achievement in learning and behaviour. A Headteacher's Award is given for work of an exceptional standard (tremendous effort and hard work at school or at home). One of the best parts of my job is to see both children's work as well as the pride they show when they receive an award.

As parents know, we also celebrate the children who read regularly at home. Last term, we presented every child who filled their page of stars in their planners with a certificate and a Reading Champion wristband. There were 146 children. We will be presenting another reading reward at the end of this term. Keep Reading!

Premier League Primary Stars Supports FJS

I am very pleased to be able to let you know that we have received a new football kit for our teams, courtesy of Premier League Primary Stars. Our girls used it last Friday for the first time when they were bronze medallists in their latest tournament.

We have been involved with Premier League Primary Stars since 2017, when we hosted the Premier League trophy here at school for the day and we have worked very closely with the team at Saints Foundation since then. They continue to provide many opportunities for lots of our children, at St Mary's Stadium, at the training ground at Staplewood, as well as at our school each week.



Just a reminder that on Tuesday next week, the school photographer will be visiting us once again to take pictures of our classes.

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SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

On the front page of our new website www.fjslive.net is our school calendar. We will keep this up to date so you can see it at anytime.

Tuesday 30 April	Photographer in School - Class Photographs
Monday 13 — Thursday 16 May	Year 6 Statutory Assessment Tasks (SATs)
Friday 24 May	Non-Uniform Day for Wessex Heartbeat
	School Closes for Half Term
Monday 3 June	Children return to School
Monday 3 – Friday 14 June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) window
Tuesday 4 June	Year 3 visit to Southampton Art Gallery
Friday 21 June	Annual reports to Parents
Tuesday 25 June	Parents' Evening
Friday 28 June	Staff Training Day (Fairisle Schools closed)
Monday 1 – Friday 12 July	Year 3 Swimming
Wednesday 3 July	Children meeting new Teachers for 2024-2025
Friday 12 July	Year 6 to Paultons Park
Thursday 18 July	Year 6 to Calshot
Monday 22 July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Wednesday 24 July	Last Day of Term
Monday 2 & Tuesday 3 September	Staff Training (INSET) Days 1/5 and 2/5
Wednesday 4 September	Children return to school (Year 3 at 09:30)

Attendance Update

As you know from my last newsletter, attendance during this school year has continued to improve and it certainly looks as though our *Be In It To Win It* days, along with visiting homes and monitoring late arrivals very closely seem to be paying off. I thought you would be interested to know how each class and year group are doing. Here are our school attendance figures from September until now:

	Whole School:	94.18%		
	Year 3:	94.33%		
	Year 4	95.24%		
	Year 5:	92.44%		
	Year 6:	94.09%		
Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance	
3DM	94.83%	3EC	95.95%	
3FM	92.20%			
4HH	96.09%	4MT	94.88%	
4RW	95.05%	4WO	94.94%	
5BP	90.71%	5KM	94.16%	
5SM	92.43%			
6AE	91.43%	6CT	96.46%	
6CW	93.99%	6SH	94.56%	

Thank you very much to the parents who provided me with positive feedback regarding the Attendance RAG reports we sent out to everyone at the end of last week. Just to let you know, there were 210 children who received 'Green' reports (96% or higher), 136 children who received 'Amber' reports (90% to 96%) and 68 children who received 'Red' reports (lower than 90%).

Please remember that these reports are just factual data with no context behind the numbers!