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WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Families

Firstly I would like to welcome everybody back to school after the long break and it really is brilliant to be back. All our batteries are fully re-charged and we are really looking forward to the year ahead.

Just to remind everyone that we start at **8.45am** every morning and the children need to arrive between 8.40 and 8.45 to ensure they are in class and ready to learn at the start of every day.

Thank you to our site and cleaning team for making the building look so good during the holiday, and to our teaching and support teams for their work to get everything ready for the new year. It was great to see everyone today and the children and staff have reacted really well to being back in school. Year leaders will also be writing to parents with details of PE days etc. and all learning plans will be uploaded to our school website [here](#).

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Mr Hayes will be contacting all families with EHCP children over the first few weeks of term to ensure that all transition plans from last year are running smoothly. Do contact him directly should you have any early concerns.

Medicines, Resources and Water

Should your child require regular, prescribed medicine to be in school please contact the school office for an administration of medicines form. These can be sent out and completed online and then you can let the office know that you will be dropping the medicines off to school.

We provide all children with a new named water bottle, which will be brought home each week to be cleaned. It is really important that the children stay hydrated during the day, especially if the warm weather continues. As we give a school water bottle to each child, these are the only bottles that should be used in class.

The children have also been given their new planner as well as all the equipment they will need for the year. It is vital that your child reads with an adult at home and that the planner is signed and is brought into school every day.



Attendance

It is vital that the children attend school every day (subject to them feeling well enough, of course). All the usual rules on attendance continue to apply, including:

- Parents' duty to ensure that their child of compulsory school age attends regularly;
- Schools' responsibilities to record attendance and follow up absence;
- The ability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices, in line with the Southampton City Council code of conduct;
- The duty on Southampton City Council to put in place arrangements for identifying, and to follow up with, children missing education.

We will be continuing to celebrate good attendance this year, with our 'In It to Win It' days each half term. We have plans to celebrate everyone in school on certain days throughout the year. Just remember, you have to be in it to win it!

Staff News

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new teacher colleagues Mr Finley Mills (Year 3), Miss Becky Wheeler-Osman (Year 4) and Mrs Kelly Morris (Year 5). Mr James Kingshott also joins us for this year to cover all our leadership and teacher release time. We're really pleased to have you all on the team.

On Monday, all our staff updated their safeguarding training. We also worked with the school nurse to gain a greater understanding of the medical needs of our children.

'Respect, Ready, Safe' at Fairisle Junior School

Today we reminded all the children about *Respect, Ready, Safe*, which is designed to make our school a happier place for everyone.

We have also re-affirmed our expectations regarding behaviour and the quality of everything done by the children and adults in our school. We are looking forward to a really productive and positive year. We would like to thank you all for your support during the forthcoming year.

School Uniform

We are always very pleased with the children's positive approach to wearing their school uniform and I would like to thank so many of you for ensuring that the children are wearing black shoes or plain black trainers. At Fairisle Junior, children wear their uniform with pride and we have talked with our oldest pupils about the example they set in and around our school. Please remember we are a 'no logo' school. The only logo we have at Fairisle Junior is our school logo and, of course, *Expect Success*. Sweatshirts and PE T-shirts are in stock. We would ask that all items of uniform, including PE kit and lunchboxes, are clearly named as 390 identical school sweatshirts really do take some sorting out! Thank you.

Pupil Contact Details

If you have any new contact numbers, (especially mobile numbers) please do let the school admin team know.



Safeguarding guidance expects schools to seek at least **two contacts** for each child in case of emergency. Please ensure that you comply with this. Thank you in advance.

Please also make sure that we have an up to date email address for you so that we can email you copies of newsletters and letters from your child's teacher.

School Lunch Money

Just a reminder that, wherever possible, we would ask parents to pay for school lunches each week to the school office on a Monday morning. The cost of a lunch remains at £2.90 each day (£14.50 each week).

Remember that each evening at 6.00pm the following day's menu is tweeted from the school's Twitter account ([@FairisleJS](https://twitter.com/FairisleJS)). I have reprinted the current menu over the page, which takes us up until October half term. **Remember this week is Week 2 of the menu.**

I would just like to take this opportunity to remind all parents and families that we are a nut-free school and thank you in advance for your support in helping us ensure the health and safety of all our children.

Newsletters, Trip Consent Forms and our School Website

We will continue to email editions of our school newsletter, the *Fairisle Times* to parents and uploading them to our school website www.fjslive.net. We will put some copies on the rack in the school office but, in common with many other primary schools, we no longer routinely send them home on paper. **Please do ensure we have a working email address for you and update the school office if this changes.**

We will also continue to email trip letters to parents. These include a link to a Google Form for you to complete to give consent. You can also make payments for all school activities, trips and lunches through the secure part of our school website as well as using our contactless machine in the school office. The admin team have sent login details to all new parents. If you have mislaid your login, please contact a member of our admin team and they will resend it to you.

The entry system on the pedestrian gate on Fairisle Road is linked to both schools. The gate is closed from 9.15am until 3.05pm each day. This is for the children's safety.

We have everything crossed for a great year.

One more request: please do not allow younger children to use the wooden apparatus on the bottom field while dropping off/picking up junior children. Thank you very much.

The secondary transfer portal for Year 6 parents is now open and all applications for next September's Year 7 **must be made by Tuesday 31st October**. Please come and speak with a member of our admin team if you need any help with making an application. Stacey Thomas from Southampton Schools' Admissions will be attending a coffee morning for our Year 6 parents at 0930 on Thursday 5th October. Please come along if you have any questions for her.

Very best wishes



Peter Howard
Headteacher



FAIRISLE JUNIOR SCHOOL SUMMER MENU 2023

UNTIL OCTOBER HALF TERM

FOUR CHOICE MENU

WEEK COMMENCING	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>WEEK 1</p> <p>18/09/23 09/10/23</p>	<p>Pork Sausages Vegetarian Bolognese Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Mashed Potato & Pasta Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Ice Cream</p>	<p>Roast Pepper & Chicken Wrap Cheese & Tomato Pizza Cheese & Broccoli Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Mini Potato Bites Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Fruit Wedges with Mini Flapjack</p>	<p>Vegan Sausage Roll Tomato Pasta Roasted Vegetable Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Potato Crispers Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Iced Apricot Loaf</p>	<p>Roast Beef Quorn Nuggets Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Roast Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables & salad</p> <p>Melting Moment Cookie</p>	<p>Fish Fingers Omelette Muffin Vegetarian Bolognese Jacket Potato With Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Chips Seasonal Vegetables & salad</p> <p>Fruit Brownie & Chocolate Custard</p>
<p>WEEK 2</p> <p>04/09/23 25/09/23 16/10/23</p>	<p>Turkey Meatball Pasta Quorn Burger Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Mashed Potato Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Ice Cream</p>	<p>Chicken Curry Cheese & Tomato Pizza Cheese & Broccoli Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Mini Potato Bites Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Chocolate Oat Slice</p>	<p>Mac 'n' Cheese Nacho Bean Bites Roasted Vegetable Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Potato Crispers Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Banana Muffin & Custard</p>	<p>Roast Chicken & Stuffing Vegetarian Sausage Turnover Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Roast Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Shortbread</p>	<p>Battered Fish Tomato Pasta Vegetarian Bolognese Jacket Potato With Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Chips Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Pineapple Upside Down Cake & Custard</p>
<p>WEEK 3</p> <p>11/09/23 02/10/23</p>	<p>Chicken Nuggets Chickpea & Vegetable Burger Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Potato Crispers Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Honey Cookie</p>	<p>Beef Chilli Potato Wedges Cheese & Tomato Pizza Cheese & Broccoli Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Mini Potato Bites Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Fruit Wedges with Mini Shortbread</p>	<p>Vegetable Curry Vegetarian Sausage Roasted Vegetable Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Mashed Potato Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Orange Drizzle Cake & Custard</p>	<p>Roast Pork Sweet Potato Parcel Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Roast Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Fruit Sundae</p>	<p>Salmon Fishcake Rainbow Pizza Vegetarian Bolognese Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings</p> <p>Chips Seasonal Vegetables & Salad</p> <p>Iced Cookie</p>

