

Highlights this Week:

Dear Families and Friends,

What a fantastic week we have had...



The EYFS fascination has been focused around winter. To hook the children into their learning they began with a Winter Warmer afternoon. Wrapped in warm blankets, with their teddies and hot chocolate, they lay by the fire, learning about penguins and their habitat using the documentary, 'March of the Penguins.'



Year 1 explored the Sea Life Centre in Birmingham to deepen their knowledge about sea animals. They were amazed by the beauty of many of the animals, such as the calming jellyfish and the huge turtle. Science learning, about fish, was really apparent when they were able to identify the gills on the sharks. Their day was complete with a visit to the 4D cinema where an under the sea adventure came to life in front of their eyes.

Year 3 went back in time to experience what life was like in Roman Britain. Wearing Roman armour, they practised marching in the Testudo formation. They also enjoyed playing a variety of traditional Roman games such as knuckle bones and finding out about Roman slaves.



Year 4 have been exploring chemistry this week as they investigate states of matter. Using observational skills they were observing ice balloons, which included finding out what happens when salt, as well as food dye were added. They were even able to use one of their topic words as they saw the dye MEANDER down the ice egg.



Year 5 have been working on their art skills this week. They have been sketching tigers as the class book, 'Running Wild' features a tiger in the Indonesian rainforest. Austin's Butterfly has been used to up-level their work before painting the final piece.



Our wonderful school library is now up and running. The children are so passionate and excited by our school library and are really enjoying the opportunity to read in many of the reading spaces that have been created for the children. With a variety of non-fiction and fiction books the children will be spoilt for choice as to which books to borrow!



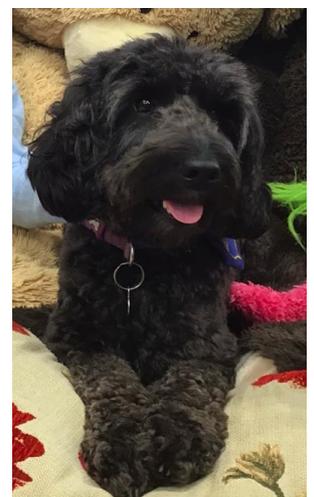
Homeless support project in Nottinghamshire

As mentioned in our Winter Fair letter we are organising a reverse advent calendar from 1st to 13th December. 1 item per child can be brought into school between those dates and put in the reverse advent calendar box in the classroom. Items such as tins, pasta, toilet roll, packet food will be suitable. This has replaced our previous request to bring in food items on the 29th November as part of the same project. We would warmly welcome your support.



Can we please request that messages are added to your child's school diary as first point of call. For any unexpected messages, can we ask that you phone the office before 2.30pm, so that these can be delivered in time to the relevant classes.

Dolly is now well and truly part of the Fairfield team. She is going to be a part of the teaching and learning for all of our children across school and has already enjoyed two assemblies so that she can meet everyone in person. We have had some wonderful experiences already, and noticed huge smiling faces that she has created. Throughout the school week, which for her will be Monday, Wednesday and Friday, she will take part in a variety of lessons to provide encouragement and inspiration to our children, as well as providing nurture support with a firm focus on well-being.



Menu for week commencing 25th November 2019:

Monday	Pepperoni pizza, herby dice potatoes, baked beans	Swiss shortbread
Tuesday	Roast Turkey, stuffing, creamed potatoes, broccoli, gravy	Easyo strawberry mousse and shortbread finger
Wednesday	Chicken curry, steamed rice, garden peas, naan bread	Date and cocoa brownie
Thursday	Roast chicken, yorkshire pudding, carrots, creamed potatoes, gravy	½ lemon shortbread biscuit and fruit slice
Friday	Fish cake, chips, baked beans	Vanilla muffin

Vegetarian options are available daily

Yoghurt, Cheese & crackers and fresh fruit served daily

Activities for week commencing 25th November 2019:

Monday	
Tuesday	WOW Morning 9.00am Year 6 Titanic enrichment day
Wednesday	
Thursday	Year 5 Big Family Quiz Night 6.00pm
Friday	Celebration Assembly St. Andrews Day – wear blue Year 5 Bikeability level 2 session

Key dates for Autumn term 2019

4th Dec – NCMP for EYFS and Year 6 children
 5th Dec – EYFS trip to the Snow Dome
 5th Dec – Principal Coffee Morning 9.00am-10.00am
 6th Dec – Year 1 & 2 Winter Musical 10.00am & 2.00pm
 9th Dec – Christmas Church visit EYFS AM, Year 1 PM
 10th Dec – Christmas Church visit Year 4 PM
 10th Dec – Year 2 Enterprise Day
 10th Dec to 17th Dec – Scholastics Book Fair in school

12th Dec – Christmas Carol Pantomime in School
 12th Dec – Christmas Church visit Year 6 PM
 13th Dec – SEND Surgery 9.00am
 13th Dec – Winter Fayre
 13th Dec – Christmas Jumper day
 16th Dec – Christmas Church visit Years 2 & 3 AM, Year 5 PM
 18th Dec – EYFS Nativity performance 2.00pm
 19th Dec – Christmas dinner and jumper day

★ Our SHINE Values ★

Success

High Expectations

Independence

Never Give Up

Equality

Our Vision Statement: For all of our children to emerge from Fairfield as positive, independent, inquisitive individuals; with the ability and desire to make the world a better place as lifelong learners.