



# Fairisle News

Newsletter No. 5



## Happy New Year!

A Very Happy & Healthy  
New Year to Everyone  
at Fairisle Infant &  
Nursery School.

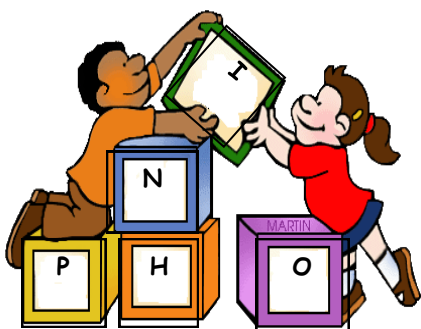
We wish you all  
a very successful 2020.

## Phonics

The learning of 'Phonics'  
(letters and sounds) is taught in  
a very structured way in school  
and is part of all reading lessons.  
The children really enjoy learning  
'Phonics' from an early age  
at school.

If you would like to support  
your child further in learning  
'Phonics' and thus help  
develop their reading skills,  
there are some fun  
Phonic Activities you can  
access on line:

[www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk)  
[www.familylearning.org.uk](http://www.familylearning.org.uk)  
[www.starfall.com](http://www.starfall.com)  
[www.ictgames.co.uk](http://www.ictgames.co.uk)  
[www.wordsforlife.org.uk](http://www.wordsforlife.org.uk)  
[www.phonicsbloom.com](http://www.phonicsbloom.com)



## Punctuality

Punctual Attendance  
is Very Important  
as it ensures that children  
do not miss out on learning.

### Every Minute Counts:

In an Academic Year,  
your child will lose  
the following days of  
education if they  
arrive Late for school:

### If Your Child Is:

5 Minutes Late — 3 Days  
10 Minutes Late — 6.5 Days  
15 Minutes Late — 10 Days  
20 Minutes Late — 13 Days  
30 Minutes Late — 19 Days



REMINDER  
School Starts Promptly  
At 8.55 am

Classroom Doors  
Close At 9.00 am



## Urgent Reminder Admission to Infant School—Sept. 2020

If your child's birthday  
falls between  
1 Sept. 2015—31 Aug. 2016  
you will need to apply for  
an Infant School place  
for your child for this  
Sept. 2020.

All applications should be  
made on-line via the  
'Apply for a School  
Place' 'Blue' link  
on Southampton  
City Council's website.



## Transfer to Junior School—Sept. 2020

If your child is currently  
attending one of our Year 2  
classes you will need to  
apply for a Junior School  
place for this  
September 2020.

All Applications should be  
made on-line via the  
'Apply for a School  
Place' 'Blue' link  
on Southampton  
City Council's website.

All Applications  
for the above MUST  
be received by  
Southampton City  
Council  
By Next Wednesday  
15 January 2020.

## Dates For your Diary

14 Jan : Fire Service Visit Year 1  
 15 Jan : Air Ambulance Visit



14 Feb : **INSET DAY—Infant School, Sunshine & Rainbow Nursery  
 CLOSED ALL DAY**

**17—21 February Half-Term Holiday**



W/b 16 March : Book Week  
 W/b 30 March : Parent/Teacher Meetings



**6—17 April Easter Holiday**



**25—29 May Half-Term Holiday**

9 June : School Class Photos



17 July : Children's Last Day at School



20 July : **INSET DAY—Infant School, Sunshine & Rainbow Nursery  
 CLOSED ALL DAY**

### **Achievements & Certificates**

Our school motto is 'Expect Success' and we aim to ensure that all our children see themselves as successful learners.

As well as celebrating the children's achievements in school we are also keen to hear of their successes **outside of school**.

If your child has received an award or certificate e.g. swimming, football or dancing we would love to celebrate this in our Assemblies.

**Please see your child's Class Teacher about this who will be able to inform you when your child's 'Well Done' Assembly is due.**



### **Emergency Contact**

**If you have recently moved house or changed telephone contact details please inform the School Office As Soon As Possible.**

**It is essential that we have the correct information on file.**

**Thank you.**

### **Important Notice**

**Please note that children should be supervised at all times on the playground before and after school. We have had incidents where children have been injured when they have not been supervised by their parents.**



### **Fairisle Road**

Traffic outside the school remains a significant safety issue. We ask that everyone is considerate and mindful of others and the Local Residents when parking.



Thank you for your support and co-operation.

## Top Tips for Reading

**Here's some Top Tips to help your child become a good reader:**



- ◆ **Books for bedtime—**Make a book part of your child's bedtime routine.
- ◆ **Read their favourite books—**Children often want to listen to the same story again and again. This is fine as it builds confidence and familiarity with words and reinforces stories that are fun.
- ◆ **Chat—**Talk about things you see in the book—whose in it, what they did and where they went.
- ◆ **Ask your child questions about the book as you're reading it together.**
- ◆ **Way with words—**Talk about what different words mean and tell your child the name of anything they don't know.
- ◆ **Get creative—**Make your own books. You can use your phone or a camera. Take pictures when you're out or doing something at home and make it into a story together.
- ◆ **Tell stories together—**We tell stories all the time both real and made-up and these stories can help your child become a reader and writer of stories.

**Further information and advice can be found at:**

**[www.literacytrust.org.uk](http://www.literacytrust.org.uk)**

**[www.booktrust.org.uk](http://www.booktrust.org.uk)**



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Best Wishes  
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