



Fairisle Infant and Nursery School



School Prospectus



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Welcome

*A warm welcome awaits you and your child/children here at
Fairisle Infant and Nursery School*

We are a school that champions and prioritises for every member
of our school community:

Mental Health and Well-being Positive Relationships Collaboration
Empowerment Inclusion Authenticity Empathy Openness
Progress Safety Quality First Teaching Creativity Value for Money

From the very first moment that you and your child/children step through our doors you will become part of the Fairisle Family. We place great emphasis on the safety, education and well-being of all the children with each being valued as an individual.

About The School

We are a committed and dedicated team who have the children's best interests at the heart of everything we do and are passionate about removing barriers to secure the best possible outcomes for all our children based on their starting points. Fairisle Infant and Nursery School is a vibrant and diverse school. We have enthusiastic children who love learning and strive 'to be the best they can be' and we are extremely proud of our 'Rights Respecting' culture that permeates everything we do.

It is our belief that children succeed best when school and parents work together in a positive partnership. We value the important contribution that parents can make to their child's education and we look forward to a happy and lasting partnership.

We hope that our prospectus provides all the information that you need. If we can be of any further assistance, please do get in contact so that we are able to help you further.

Juliette Owens
Headteacher



Welcome to Fairisle Infant and Nursery School **from the Governing Body**

The Governing Body take an active part in the school life and support staff strategically to ensure a caring and stimulating environment, promote well being, high expectations and the best quality education for every child.

The Governing Body of Fairisle Infant and Nursery School is made up of parents, people representing the local community and staff.

In our last Ofsted Report it was noted that 'Pupils are happy' and that 'Staff have high expectations of what pupils can do.' It was also noted that 'Pupils behave well in lessons and during break times' and that 'Pupils' work, in a wide range of subjects, is of high quality.'

We hope that you find this prospectus and informative and helpful. More information about us can be found on our website.

We look forward to working together with you to ensure that your child will reach their full potential.

If you would like to find out more about what Governors do or are interested in becoming one, please take a look at the leaflet below from Southampton City Council.



Governors Contact details:
governors@fairisle-inf.co.uk
chair@fairisle-inf.co.uk



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Welcome to Fairisle Infant and Nursery School

We are a non-denominational school catering for children from two to seven years of age.

We have Nursery provision in the Rainbow Room for two year olds and in the Sunshine Room for three to four year olds.






In the Infant School we have three classes in each of Year R, Year 1 and Year 2.

Our Mission Statement

"Expect Success"

We expect success for all of our children



-  We believe that each child should expect success.
-  We promise to teach the skills necessary for progress and high levels of achievement.
-  We will support children to respect themselves, each other and the environment in order to become responsible members of the wider community.
-  We will provide a high quality learning environment.
-  We will work together with parents, governors and the local community in a positive partnership.



Opening Times

Infant School Hours

Classroom Doors Open/School Starts:	8.45 am
Registration	9.00 am
Lunch	12.00 pm - 1.00pm
End of School Day	3.15 pm

If you arrive after 9.00 am please bring your child through the school office so that they can be registered and we can record their lunch choice.

We have to order school lunches by 10.00 am and so please call to order a lunch if your child will be late.

Sunshine Nursery



Morning Sessions	8.50 am - 11.50 am
Afternoon Sessions	12.05 pm - 3.05 pm
30 Hours Placement	8.50 am - 3.05 pm Mon Thurs
	8.50 am - 1.50 pm Fri

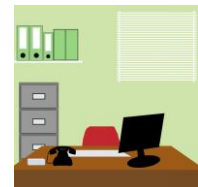
Rainbow Nursery



Morning Sessions	8.45 am - 11.45 am
Afternoon Sessions	12.20 pm - 3.20 pm

Office Hours

8.00 am - 4.00 pm



Please feel free to contact the Admin Team with any queries or concerns. You can call us on 023 8073 1199, email on info@fairisle-inf.co.uk or pop in to see us during office hours.

If your child is not well enough to attend school or nursery please call us on: 023 8073 1199 by 9.30am.



Meet The Team

Our school is supported by a dedicated team of adults in a wide variety of roles who all work to educate, safeguard and nurture our pupils.



Meet our Governors

Please find details of our Governors here:

<https://www.fairisle-inf.co.uk/page/?title=Governors&pid=29>



Meet our Staff

Please find details of our Staff here:

<https://www.fairisle-inf.co.uk/page/?title=Staff&pid=28>



We are supported by:

City Catering who provide our school meals.

You can find daily menus on their website.

<https://www.citycateringsouthampton.co.uk/>



School Nursing Team (West Locality) who support the well-being of our children through promoting good health, including a school entry health review and measurement checks.

<https://www.southampton.gov.uk/schools-learning/in-school/school-nursing/>



Bridge Trust (Southampton)

We are part of the newly formed Bridge Trust (Southampton) including Fairisle Junior School, Newlands Primary, Oakwood Primary, Shirley Warren Primary and Nursery and Redbridge Primary Schools.



Local Authority

Southampton City Council,
Civic Centre,
Southampton,
SO14 7FL
02380 834899



<https://www.southampton.gov.uk/schools-learning/>



Admission to School







All admissions to the Infant School are co-ordinated through the Admissions Team at Southampton City Council.

Year R

Children are admitted into Year R in the September following their 4th birthday.

Southampton City Council will identify eligible children and contact Parents/Carers with details of how to apply online via the Council's Citizen's Portal.

Admissions Process to our School

-  Applications open in the September of the year before children start in Year R.
-  Applications close in the following January.
-  Parents/Carers and Schools are notified on places allocated after Easter.
-  We will write to parents welcoming them to our school and inviting them to a meeting with our Headteacher in June to provide more information about our school.
-  We will then invite the children to come to school with their Parents/Carers to meet their Teacher and Teaching Assistant in early July.
-  The children will also be invited to a Stay and Play session in their new classroom where they will be able to spend time with their Teacher and classmates in July.





Pattern of Admission for Year R From 6 September 2023:

Autumn born children (1 September - 31 December)

3 morning sessions plus lunch and admitted full time by 11 September 2023.

Spring born children (1 January - 31 March)

3 morning sessions plus lunch and admitted full time by 11 September 2023.

Summer born children (1 April - 31 August)

3 afternoon sessions, then from 11 September mornings plus lunch until 15 September.

They will be admitted full time from 18 September 2023.

We will consider the needs of individual children as far as possible. For some children a full day is too long and part-time attendance may be considered . We may also be able to take Summer born children for full days earlier.

Our School Day

Here is an example of what a day's learning might look like:

Approx Time	Year R	Year 1	Year 2
9.00am	Phonics	Phonics	Reading
9.30am	Magic Maths	Maths	Writing
10.15am	Play Time	Play Time	Play Time
10.30am	Fruit & Drink	Fruit & Drink	Fruit & Drink
10.45am	Busy Bee	Writing	Maths
12.00pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1.00pm	Story Time	Reading / Phonics	Phonics
1.30pm	Discovery Time (inside and outside)	Foundation Subjects	Foundation Subjects
2.30pm	Circle Time		
3.15pm	Home Time	Home Time	Home Time

Year R have PE once a week and Year 1 and Year 2 have PE twice a week. We hold Year Group Assemblies every week.

Curriculum

Please find full details of our exciting curriculum here:





Pupil Attendance in School

How Regular Attendance Supports your Child

- + As soon as your child starts in Year R they begin their education.
 - + They learn through play, experience, class activities and in small groups.
 - + They are taught to read every day.
 - + They learn the early stages of maths and other topics.
 - + They learn about the world and themselves.
 - + They learn through physical, social and emotional development.
 - + They learn about their routine, expectations and how to be a good friend.
 - + They have fun participating in all the creative and exciting classroom activities.
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- + Regular attendance at school also helps children to form positive relationships with the adults in their class.
 - + Make good friends.
 - + Understand the rules and expectations.
 - + Be able to find school an enjoyable and positive experience.

Low attendance therefore results to gaps in their education and their social experience of school, which they may struggle to recover from, even this early on in their school life. We want our children to attend school every day in order to help them achieve to their full potential and have the best possible life chances.

Late Arrival

The classroom doors will close at 9.00am to start the day's education. Therefore, if your child arrives late to school please bring them to the School Office so that we can sign them in and order their lunch.

We understand that children may occasionally be late for good reason. However, if they are consistently late they will regularly miss out on important input, instructions and learning for the day. If your child arrives after the registers have been closed they may be marked as absent for the morning session.

Communications with Parents

We feel it is extremely important that we are able to communicate effectively with parents and carers. We will ask you to provide us with contact telephone numbers and email addresses and to let us know if these change.

There is a constant stream of information that the school endeavours to make sure reaches parents using:

- OurSchoolsApp
- Emails
- Newsletters
- Texts
- School Website

OurSchoolsApp

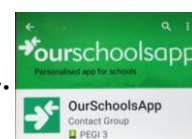
This App provides the most efficient and effective means of communication between home and school as notifications are received instantly on parents mobile phones.

Please download this free App onto your phone and allow push notifications so that we can provide you with direct up to the minute notifications of school life.

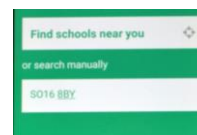
How to find, download and install OurSchoolsApp



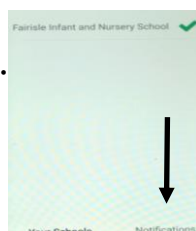
1. Type OurSchoolsApp into the search box in your phones App Store.



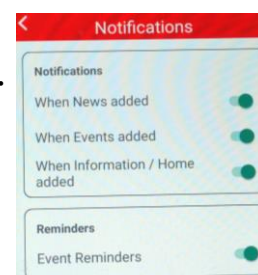
2. Follow the instructions and select Fairisle Infant and Nursery School. School post code **SO16 8BY**.



3. Select Fairisle Infant and Nursery School.
Select Notifications.



4. **Allow all notifications** for up to the minute school information.



Push Notifications

A push notification is a message that pops up on a mobile device even if the phone is not in use at the time. As long as the App has been installed on your mobile phone you will receive all notifications from the school. Please note that not all notifications will be relevant to every parent, guardian or carer as all notifications, no matter what the content, will be sent to every person who has installed the App.

We feel it is important to keep parents, carers and staff members up to date with the latest information regarding the school such as:

- Newsletters
- School Inset dates reminders
- Change of menu
- After School Club dates or changes
- Form return final dates
- School trip information

We also regularly provide information to parents and carers using the following methods:

- Telephone calls - please ensure that we always have your up to date telephone numbers.
- Emails - please ensure we always have your up to date email address.

Tapestry

In Nursery and Year R we use Tapestry to record your child's learning and if you allow us to set an account, you will also be able view photos, videos and observations of your child and their work. You can also view messages from the Teacher and add comments yourself.



Please do not hesitate to talk to us if you have any queries or concerns. You can talk to your child's teacher at pick up or drop off or make an appointment to speak to them if you need a longer conversation. The Admin Team can help you with general queries and arrange for you to speak to other members of staff if necessary. Please remember to call the School Office on 023 8073 1199 if your child will be absent from school.

Our children say: "We feel happy and safe in school"



Safety and Security in School

We are dedicated to keeping the children in our care safe. Please help us do so in the following ways:

- ◆ Complete your child's registration and consent forms and keep us informed about any changes.
- ◆ Keep all entrances clear for emergency vehicles.
- ◆ Dogs must not be brought onto the school site. Tie your dog securely to the outside fence far enough away from the gates.
- ◆ Dismount from bikes and scooters when on school site.
- ◆ If visiting during the day please report to the school office on arrival and departure.
- ◆ The school is a no smoking and no vaping site.
- ◆ Fire drills take place regularly once a term. If you are in school when the fire alarm sounds please make your way immediately to the playground through the nearest exit.
- ◆ We are a nut-free school. Packed lunches brought into school need to be nut-free.



Medical Information

Please let us know if your child suffers from any serious or recurring medical problem, allergy, sight, hearing or speech difficulty. This information will be treated as confidential and is requested so that we are as well informed as possible about your child's health and can best decide, with you, how to deal with this at school.

School Nursing Team

If you have concerns regarding your child's health or wellbeing the school can help you make a referral to the School Nursing Team.



Illness

If your child is suffering from a short-term illness and is clearly unwell, please keep them at home. If your child has had sickness or diarrhoea please keep them off school for 48 hours after it has cleared up.

Please call the School Office on 023 8073 1199 to let us know that your child is unwell. We will require medical evidence of illness if your child is absent regularly or for a period of more than 3 days in a row. Thank you.

Please find advice on when to keep your child off school here:



If your child is taken ill during the day we will contact you and ask you to collect your child. Please therefore ensure that your contact details are kept up to date.

Accidents

Minor cuts and bumps are attended to by a member of staff who will give simple first aid. In the event of a serious injury we would call parents /carers and if no one was available we would take the child to the local hospital Accident & Emergency department. Naturally we would do all we could to contact parents or nominated emergency contacts first. We will call for an ambulance if necessary.

Medicines in School

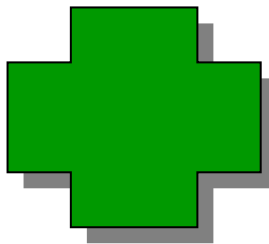
We are happy to administer medicine in school provided that:

- ➊ The medication is prescribed and has the pharmacy, doctors or hospital label on it giving details of the child's name and the dosage.
- ➋ The medication is in date.
- ➌ Parents/Carers complete the appropriate paperwork at the School Office.
- ➍ Parents/Carers complete a Health Care Plan if appropriate.

Medical Health Care Plans

If your child suffers from a specific or recurring medical health problem such as asthma, allergies etc. please ask to complete a Medical Health Care Plan.

This will allow us to better understand their condition and to provide any appropriate support, medication and care necessary.



Medical Appointments

We appreciate that you may need to take your child to see a health practitioner during the school day but we ask that you make appointments outside of the school day or during the holidays whenever possible.

If you do need to take your child to an appointment please let us know in the Office so that we can mark your child's absence accordingly and please also provide evidence of the appointment.



Personal & Emotional Care

Head Lice

Please check your child's hair regularly and let us know immediately if your child is affected. Up-to-date advice on how to combat lice is available at the school office.

Intimate Care

Intimate care is any care which involves washing, touching or carrying out an invasive procedure (such as cleaning up a pupil after they have wet/soiled themselves) to intimate areas. Any specific intimate care arrangements will be discussed with parents/carers on a regular basis and recorded on a child's Health Care Plan.

Please find our Intimate Care Policy here:



Emotional Care

Please help us support your child by letting us know about anything that happens in your family that might affect your child, such as a parent in hospital, death of a relative or relationship breakup. This will help your child's teacher understand and support them and we may also be able offer support through our qualified ELSA.

School Uniform

The school colours are Red and Grey and our uniform consists of:

- Red jumper or cardigan
- White or red polo shirt
- Grey (or black) trousers, skirts, pinafore dresses, shorts
- Black sensible shoes
- PE kit - red t-shirt, black shorts, joggers or leggings and plimsolls.

Uniform for Sale in School

We sell the following items of Uniform with the school logo embroidered:

- Red sweatshirts and cardigans
- Book bag
- PE t-shirt & plain black shorts
- PE bag
- Sun hat



Please order and pay for Uniform from school using the online SCOpay system. If you do not have access to SCOpay please email the school on info@fairisle-inf.co.uk.

Pre-Loved Uniform

We are also pleased to offer pre-loved uniform which you can order from our website.

Please find details of the uniform we have for sale along with the price list and size guide here:



Please also feel free to purchase red jumpers or cardigans elsewhere. They can be found in the local supermarkets along with polo shirts, trousers, skirts etc.

Please be sure to name all of your child's uniform and other belongings

Jewellery

A child may wear small flat earrings but we ask that they are removed on PE days to protect children from potential injury. If not we will cover them using tape. Please do not send your child to school with earrings below the lobe, bracelets or ring, to safeguard both the children and their jewellery.

Breakfast Club

We are pleased to be able to offer children from Fairisle Infant and Nursery School and Fairisle Junior School places in our Breakfast Club.

Please note that spaces are subject to availability.



Breakfast Club runs Monday to Friday, 7.45 am to 8.45 am.

The Breakfast Club is run by members of our School Staff.

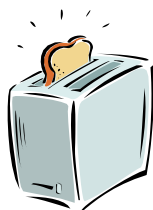
We offer children a healthy menu to choose from, which includes cereal, toast, fruit juice, milk, fresh fruit and yoghurt.

We provide a range of activities from which your child will be able to choose such as games, books and toys and the children are escorted to their classrooms ready for their lessons.

There is a charge per session to cover the cost of food, materials and staffing. Please note that prompt payment in advance is required for all sessions.

If you would like more information or to book a place for your child please call in at the School Reception Office.

Please find more details regarding Breakfast Club here:





School Meals

Did you know that all Infant School children are entitled to receive a Free Hot School Lunch?

School meals are served in the school hall and provided by City Catering. There are three options to choose from each day which always include a vegetarian option and a jacket potato. Children make their choice each morning in the classroom.

Please find the menu choices here:



Our children have told us how much they enjoy their hot school lunches:

"I like roast dinner best"

"I love the biscuits, they are yummy"

"The pizza is so tasty!"



Children may also choose to bring in a healthy packed lunch in a named lunchbox. Please only pack unbreakable drink containers rather than cans or glass bottles. Please do not give your child fizzy drinks. We are a nut-free school and packed lunches will need to be nut-free.

Break Time

All children are offered a piece of fruit at break time. Parents may also order milk for their child through Cool Milk. Milk is free to under 5s and subsidized for over 5s.

Details of how to order milk can be found here:



Rights Respecting School

We are a Rights Respecting School and our Charter is based on the United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child, including:

- We will respect everyone's right to learn - *Article 28*
- We will respect everyone's right to be safe - *Article 19*
- We will respect our right to be the best we can be - *Article 29*



We teach our children to know their rights and foster an ethos of tolerance and acceptance of everyone, respecting not just their own rights, but the rights of others around them. We follow a policy of positive reinforcement, rewarding children for good behaviour.



Our Children say:

"We feel safe in school because we know to respect other people's rights."

"We get Superstar Certificates for being the best we can be"

"We get stickers and rewards for Respecting our Right to learn"

Please find details of our Rights Respecting ethos here:



Please find our Behaviour and Anti-Bullying Policies here:





Equal Opportunities Principle

The governing body, management and staff at Fairisle Infant and Nursery School are committed to securing the highest quality of learning and equality of opportunity for all pupils.

Our aims are:

- To recognise that all individuals are different and have different needs.
- To provide equal opportunities for all pupils.
- To emphasise that all pupils have an entitlement to a full range of educational opportunities according to the National Curriculum and the policies of the school.
- To expect that all staff, governors and adults in the school are committed to provide equal opportunities.
- To recognise, respect and reward the vital contribution of everybody.
- To achieve consistency of approach and care in relationships.
- To recognise the need to maximise children's potential.
- To recognise that any form of discrimination can lead to inequality of opportunity.

Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities

We are proud to be an inclusive school, able to support pupils with a variety of special needs, both in the Nursery and Infant School.

Our school currently provides additional and/or different provision for a range of needs including:

- Communication and interaction, eg; Autistic Spectrum Disorder, Speech and Language Difficulties including Social Interaction Difficulties.
- Cognition and Learning eg; Global Delay, Processing Difficulties.
- Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties.
- Sensory and/or Physical Needs, eg; visual impairments, hearing impairments, epilepsy and cerebral palsy.

Please find further details about SEND at Fairisle here:



Assessment and Reporting

We continuously assess and monitor our pupil's attainment and progress to ensure they are able to achieve to the very best of their ability. We encourage you to share in their successes and understand any challenges by attending our termly parent's evening meetings with your child's teacher.

We will also invite you in to school to view your child's work during our week of Open Evenings and you will receive a formal report at the end of the academic year.



Should you have any questions regarding your child's progress please feel free to discuss this with their teacher. You can speak to them at the door or make an appointment if you would like a longer discussion.



Homework

We believe a gentle introduction to homework is important in the early stages of a child's education. We encourage all children to complete their set homework tasks. Homework, more than any other areas of learning, is totally dependent on home support.

Any time shared with children to support their learning is valuable; so please give your child your support, it really will make a difference.



Enrichment

We are pleased to be able to offer a wide variety of enrichment activities to our children. These include After School Clubs, Educational Visits & Workshops and Friends of Fairisle Activities.

After School Clubs

Please find our extensive programme of After School Clubs here:



Why not see if you child would like to learn a new skill?

Educational Visits

We arrange educational visits in line with our curriculum to bring topics to life and enhance the children's learning. We will ask for your permission for your child to attend and parents' contributions help us to make visits on a regular basis. Parents will be given details of planned trips for the year in September.



The children may also be taken out of school for a short period of time during the day e.g. to visit Lordshill precinct or the Library. Parents are asked to fill in a consent form for these visits when their child enters the school.

Our children say:

"Pigs were the best bit because they are cute but a bit smelly. I saw a piglet cuddling his mummy."

"I loved pond dipping because you get to catch and see new animals."

"My favourite part was seeing all the workers pictures because if my friends didn't know about the Titanic, I could tell them."



Friends of Fairisle

The Friends of Fairisle are an active support group of parents and staff who raise funds for the school by holding fun events for the children.

We are always looking for new parents to help run our activities as well as ideas for the future and how to spend funds raised.

All of our current members would agree that Friends of Fairisle is very enjoyable way of making friends, having fun and raising funds to purchase equipment which benefits our children.

Our exciting activities include:

Christmas and Summer Fairs

School Discos

Easter Hats Parade

Christmas Cards

Santa Visits



Please find further details of The Friends of Fairisle here:



If you are interested in finding out more we would love to hear from you. Please email fof@fairisle-inf.co.uk.

Thank you.

Useful Information

Please find below some links to information on our website that we hope is useful for you to have all in one place.

If you cannot find the information you need please do not hesitate to call the School Office on 023 8073 1199 or email us at info@fairisle-inf.co.uk.

Our Website		https://www.fairisle-inf.co.uk/
Attendance		https://www.fairisle-inf.co.uk/page/?title=Attendance&pid=111
Dinner Menu		https://www.fairisle-inf.co.uk/page/?title=Dinner+Menu+Choices&pid=113
Uniform		https://www.fairisle-inf.co.uk/page/?title=School+Uniform&pid=115
Payments		https://www.fairisle-inf.co.uk/page/?title=Online+Payments&pid=148
Communications		https://www.southampton.gov.uk/schools-learning/
Internet Safety		https://www.fairisle-inf.co.uk/page/?title=E%2DSafety&pid=68
School Term Dates		https://www.southampton.gov.uk/media/pjvhvbd/2023-24-term-dates.pdf

Disclaimer

The information contained in this prospectus is intended for the parents of children attending Fairisle Infant and Nursery School. It was correct at the time of going to press but Government legislation, Southampton City policy and the particular circumstances of the school might create the need for some organisational changes and adjustment of policy.

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Every child has the right to learn.

Article 28

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

