



## Weekly Bulletin – Keeping you informed!

Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
Thur 23 Nov	All Years	Tutor Evening at Fairlands Middle School
Mon 27 Nov	All Years	Tutor Evening at Fairlands Middle School

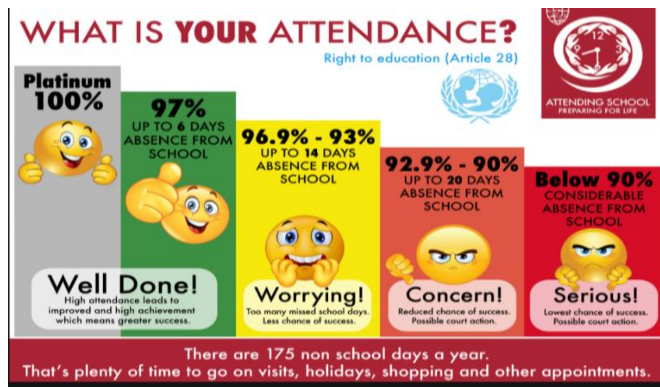
### School Attendance

School attendance remains a priority at Fairlands Middle School for all our pupils. Evidence from the Department for Education shows that pupils who are successful in attaining higher grades at KS2 and KS4 also have the highest levels of attendance. There are also huge social and emotional benefits for pupils who have strong attendance.

Last term, I sent out a general attendance letter via the school bulletin which outlined some attendance data. The information identified the amount of learning that is missed from being absent. A pupil with 95% attendance for the academic year will miss 50 hours of lesson time, whilst a pupil with 90% attendance will miss 100 hours of learning.

The Department for Education now define any pupil with 90% or lower attendance as a 'persistent absentee'. At Fairlands Middle School our attendance target for pupils is 97%. If you have any concerns regarding attendance and require any additional information or support, please contact your child's Tutor or Head of Year. By working together, we aim to ensure strong attendance for all pupils at Fairlands.

*Paul Stephens - Deputy Headteacher and SLT Lead for Safeguarding*



### Children in Need

A big thank you for your donations to the Children in Need appeal. Fairlands Middle School has raised an impressive £372.

### Year 7 Football

*Written by pupil, Sophie*



We had a fantastic away match against Gordano School on Wednesday 15 November. Rosie scored an incredible goal around their defenders and Ava was given player of the match. Ellen, Katherine and Maci put in some amazing tackles and repeatedly won back the ball.

Amy and Scarlett both did fantastic runs and dribbled well up the pitch. Gemma, Evie and Sophia played a really good game together defensively too. Katie and Ellen both took turns and saved many goals as brilliant goal keepers.

This was our first match with this team and we all really enjoyed ourselves and had fabulous team spirit. Final score 8-1 to Gordano School. Well done!

### Useful Information

Further information can be found on our website: [www.fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk](http://www.fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk)

You can also keep informed via our Twitter feed @Fairlands482

### Our values

#### 'Caring and Inspirational' Safeguarding

Safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility. If you are worried about a child, please email [safeguarding@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk)

Designated Safeguarding Lead:  
Sally Virgin

### Wellbeing

If your child needs any help, advice or someone to talk to, please contact the school office. We have trained mental health first aiders that are here to help. The Hub is also open at social times for children to attend should they need to.

Members of our ELSA team run this facility.

'You are human and it's ok to struggle.'  
'It is important to look after yourself and mind.'

### Reporting Absence

If your child is feeling unwell, please contact the school office on 01934 743186, or email using the school absence email address: - [absence@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk](mailto:absence@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk)

### Current Job Vacancies within WLT

Please visit the Wessex Learning Trust website for all current vacancies. <https://wessexlearningtrust.co.uk/careers/current-vacancies/>

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