



WE ARE 'REACHING HIGH'

# Fairlands News



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## Dear Parents and Carers

What a busy few weeks we have had! It has been lovely to see all the children engaged in our Christmas activities and plays – and good to see so much support from parents at these events as well. We have an exciting year ahead, with the building project now due to start on 16th January. **I hope you all have an enjoyable Christmas**, wish you a **very Happy New Year** and look forward to seeing you all back at school at **8.50am on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2012**.

**Robert Staples**  
Headteacher

### THANK YOU



Thank you this week goes to **all staff** – for all of their hard work this term!

**I hope you will all have a well-deserved, restful break! Merry Christmas!**

### ATTENDANCE AWARD

	% CLASS ATTENDANCE	
	w/c 5/12	w/c 19/12
ASH	92	94.3
BEECH	92.4	94.1
CHERRY	90.4	93.9
CHESTNUT	92.5	91.1
<b>ELDER</b>	<b>98.5</b>	93.8
ELM	95.4	86.2
HAZEL	93.8	93.1
HORNBEAM	93.6	94.8
LARCH	95	93.3
LIME	95	96.2
<b>PINE</b>	95	<b>98.2</b>
POPLAR	94.7	96.2
WALNUT	90.6	93.7
WILLOW	91.2	88.1

### MATHS REACHING HIGH TARGET EVENT

Yesterday morning, as a climax to this half term's Reaching High Target: 'What is it Worth', the children in Year 1 – Year 6 formed a human number line on the field. Great fun was had as the children got into the right order, showing their understanding of place value.

### POPPY APPEAL

We have received a note from The Royal British Legion thanking us for our donation of £103.66 to this year's Poppy Appeal. Schools in the district collected £3455.33.

### SENDING CASH INTO SCHOOL

May I remind all parents that, if you have to send money into school, it should be **in an envelope clearly marked with the child's name, class & what it is for**. We will no longer accept loose money, as we are unable to accept responsibility for cash being mislaid. If you have no alternative but to pay in cash, please ensure it is sent in securely. Old, resealed envelopes are fine.

You will be aware we introduced the Wisepay system last year, whereby you can log on and pay for dinners and trips using a debit card. This is by far the safest way to pay, as our aim is always to reduce the amount of cash coming into school. All you need is access to the internet and your log in details. If you would like a reminder of how to log in please ask at the office.

### TAEKWONDO CLUB GOES FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH!

Twelve children took part in a promotion test for the Fairlands Taekwondo Club that started up this year under the instruction of Master Andy Jeffries, 5<sup>th</sup> Dan. The children demonstrated their fighting spirit, focus and confidence going through their range of kicks, punches and blocks.

There were some nerves before the test, conducted under the World Taekwondo Headquarters (Kukkiwon) rules, but all the children absolutely stepped up to the plate and gave performances to the best of their ability!

### THANK YOU

Thank you very much to those parents who have kindly donated wool for the knitting club.