

Newsletter



Friday 13 February 2026

Dear Parents,

On Wednesday, I visited Stubbington to spend some time with our Year 5 children and even joined in with a few of the activities. I have to say, the highlight of the day was the food – it really was rather good! The only downside was misplacing my wellies. If anyone happens to come across a pair of black Dunlop wellington boots (size 7), a small reward awaits their safe return!

My Year Group of the week is fantastic Year 4. In particular I thought that the acrylic miniature paintings in the style of Claude Monet were excellent. Other things to highlight were the non-chronological reports of made up animals and also the excellent presentation in books.

Some time ago, a parent kindly spoke to me at the school gate about bicycle sheds. Unfortunately, I neglected to take her name. If that was you, please do get in touch with the school office so we can continue the conversation.

My sincere thanks go to the members of the PSA and staff who gave their time to support the Year 6 Movie Night. I am also extremely grateful to every member of staff who accompanied the Year 5 children on their residential visit, as well as to those who remained in school to ensure everything ran smoothly back on site. Your dedication to our children is greatly appreciated.

Finally, just a reminder that cricket trials will take place in the first week back after half term: boys on Monday 23rd February, girls on Tuesday 24th February, with a mop-up session on Wednesday 25th February. Further information can be found on the school website and in this week's Oak Bites. I very much hope to see as many pupils as possible coming along to take part as it's always wonderful to see so many children keen to represent the school.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my first half term at Fair Oak and would like to thank you all for the warm welcome you have given me.

Have a good weekend.

Jim Hartley
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