



FAIR FIELD
JUNIOR SCHOOL

Nurture, Inspire, Succeed

RADLETT, HERTFORDSHIRE
AGE 7 TO 11 YEARS OLD



Fair Field Junior School is a two form entry Junior school in Radlett, South Hertfordshire.

Welcome to our school. I joined Fair Field in 2019 and feel extremely proud and fortunate to serve this vibrant community. We have a positive approach to education; using our learning energy and immersing ourselves in school life. Our staff think of innovative ways to ensure school is a happy, enjoyable educational setting in which our children can thrive.

I look forward to meeting you at Fair Field Junior School.



Mrs Catherine Goodwin
Head of School

A warm welcome to Fair Field Junior School. Our school was built in 1958 and more recently converted to an Academy in 2015.

Our vision: Equipping our children with the skills to succeed in an ever changing world.

"Nurture, Inspire, Succeed"

We are proud of our high energy, positive learning and opportunities for children to be involved in school life. Our teachers, teaching assistants and all those who work at Fair Field Junior School are ambitious for every child. This was recognised in 2021 during the Pandemic, when the school was awarded the National Teaching Award for Lockdown Hero for Learning and Community Support.

I am very proud to be the Executive Headteacher at Fair Field Junior School – our children are our best ambassadors so if you are thinking of joining our school community, please book a tour with our school office and our children will show you round.

I look forward to meeting you.



Mrs Alice Aharon
Executive Headteacher,
Fair Field Junior School
CEO, Poppy Academy Trust

Mission and values

Fair Field Junior School is committed to nurturing the whole child: enabling every pupil to identify and fully develop their individual strengths.

Our school prides itself on having happy pupils, stimulating teaching and an ambitious curriculum. We build all we do on our shared values of respect, honesty, perseverance, kindness, forgiveness and inclusion.



“Pupils’ behaviour and relationships are outstanding. Their conduct both within class and around the school is exemplary. Pupils are highly attentive in class and respond with enthusiasm to tasks and activities.”

OFSTED 2017



Music



Sports

100% of pupils believe they are taught well at Fair Field Junior School and 96% of children stated they enjoy taking part in the additional activities that Fair Field provides.

PUPIL SURVEY JUNE 2022 WHERE 186 PUPILS WERE SURVEYED.

Set your goal
 Understand the obstacles
 Communicate your fears
 Clear your mind of any doubt
 Embark on your journey
 Stay on the path
 Show everyone what you
 have achieved!

We offer over **20 extra-curricular** clubs: cornet band, fencing, choir, dance troop, athletics and chess. The wide variety of clubs ensures there are opportunities for all. To support our working parents & carers we offer wraparound care from 7.45am until 5.30pm.



Clubs

“Staff and management of the school have ensured that our family is fully supported and they provide a safe and enjoyable place which my son looks forward to attending each day. Attainment of an education is one thing, becoming a rounded individual who is able to show kindness, love and engagement with others in this world is a gift which only special educators can offer. It is these latter features which for me stands out the most at Fair Field - above and beyond.”

PARENT AT FAIR FIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL,
PARENT AND CARER SURVEY JUNE 2022.



Above + beyond

Meeting the needs of all

“Fair Field Junior School is an inclusive school. Leaders and staff have successfully created a school culture whereby pupils play and work together harmoniously.”

OFSTED 2017

We have an Inclusion Leader and a Special Educational Needs Leader who work closely in partnership with our families, class teachers, teaching assistants and external professionals. They ensure the best possible support is available for all our pupils. In addition, a counsellor supports specific children with their emotional health. Our inclusion team work closely with families to ensure they are well supported and to assist them when looking at secondary schools.

Curriculum

Year 3

In Year 3, children develop as independent learners. Through our exciting curriculum, our children build on the skills and knowledge taught in Year 2 and challenge themselves in order to progress. One exciting feature is the children's journey in music as they learn to read sheet music and play the recorder, glockenspiel and African Drums.

Year 4

In Year 4 we encourage independence and continue to support children to take pride in the work that they produce. In Year 4, children have a formal performance opportunity where they learn skills such as drama, singing and stage production.

Year 5

In Year 5 we promote our broad and creative curriculum and encourage children to become highly motivated and lifelong learners. In addition, we offer children 11+ lessons outside the normal school day to support their applications to local grammar schools in Year 6.

Year 6

In Year 6 we strive to make the children's final year at Fair Field Junior School a memorable one. We ensure the children leave our school with the academic, organisational, social and emotional skills to move smoothly on to the next stage of their educational journey at secondary school. There are an abundance of leadership opportunities alongside mentoring younger students.

In conjunction with their academic studies children are driven to push themselves in areas they show talent and aptitude, be that sport, dance, music or theatre. Opportunities are readily available for them to showcase these talents and pathways sought for them to continue as they leave Fair Field.

“The leadership's unwavering commitment to improving standards in teaching and learning has ensured that the quality of teaching is consistently good. As a result, pupils enjoy learning and make good progress.”

OFSTED 2017

Art

As a school we believe that art is an essential part of our curriculum. We aim to create art lessons that inspire children to explore the more creative aspects of learning and allow children to discover and experiment with different artistic techniques. We aim to develop a love and appreciation for art, allowing children to discover and believe in their own creative ability. We aim to expose children to a range of artists, who not only express themselves through different mediums, but who represent the diverse world in which we find ourselves.

Computing

This exciting subject incorporates the use of computer software, coding and digital literacy/ e-safety. A range of computing programmes are used to supplement learning across this curriculum, including Google Classroom, Purple Mash, Times Table Rockstars and MyOn.

Design and Technology

In D&T, through cross-curricular links, children have the chance to invent and create their own works of art and design to facilitate the use of their imagination. They learn to use different tools safely.

English

English underpins all areas of the curriculum. As a school we teach children the skills of writing to develop their confidence in writing effectively for a range of purposes and audiences. By the end of their primary journey, we believe our children will have developed a love of writing and be able to express their thoughts and ideas clearly and creatively through the written word. Throughout our school, children are encouraged to develop the habit of reading for pleasure. Every class has access to a range of enriching texts that support a variety of genres, themes and interests.

We believe that inside every child is a reader and writer; it is our goal, as educators, to unlock their potential.

Geography

Our geography curriculum brings the knowledge of the world and different cultures into our classrooms, so that children are well informed as global citizens in this developing world. Having this knowledge increases the children's ability to recognise similarities and differences amongst each other and increase our sense of community locally, nationally and internationally.

History

Our curriculum and co-curricular enrichment stimulates the children's interest and understanding about the life of people who lived in the past. We teach children a sense of chronology and through this they foster a sense of identity, and a cultural understanding based on their historical heritage.

Maths

We understand the role mathematics plays in everyday life and are passionate about our goal to provide children with the tools they need to be successful in the wider world.

Our curriculum explores topics using concrete (can be physically moved), pictorial (image representation) and abstract (written method) approaches, allowing children to access learning in different ways. Our calculation policy ensures that children of all abilities have tasks adapted to their needs and follow the same learning journey regardless of where they may begin it. We resource using high level fluency (often linking to real world calculations), reasoning and problem-solving questions to further develop a child's mastery skills.

Modern Foreign Languages

The children spend time focusing on the pronunciation and understanding of new vocabulary orally, and through reading- to allow them to be able to read and pronounce each word correctly. They learn how to converse and use expression.



Music

Music at Fair Field strives to be an enjoyable experience for pupils. Children participate in a range of musical experiences, building up their confidence at the same time. They develop their understanding of rhythm and pitch and learn how music is structured, as well as learning technical vocabulary for these elements and being able to draw and read the notes.

Physical Education

Boasting a broad PE curriculum, where each year group works with specialists in dance, games and gymnastics, we are proud of the PE curriculum and extra-curricular we offer. Games lessons include teaching the skills required for invasion games; striking and fielding and athletics. Each year group swims locally and work towards progressive Swim England awards.

Religious Education

We study the six main religions in England. Children link their learning to their own experiences and journey through life. There are many visits and assemblies to further the children's understanding of different faiths and beliefs.

Science

Children are given opportunities to explore and work scientifically using a variety of apparatus to complement their learning. Written tasks lead children into using and understanding the scientific vocabulary needed in practical sessions.

School community

Fair Field Junior School is a fantastic place to learn and grow. As a community, we pride ourselves on our reputation as a friendly, family-orientated school.

Staff and families work hard to build strong relationships so that all children are well placed for the future. The staff team hold very high expectations of the children in their care. They are committed to ensuring that each and every child achieves their full potential in a nurturing and supportive environment, regardless of individual starting points.

Parents, Teachers Association

The Fair Field PTA is a registered charity that exists to fundraise for the benefit of our School. It is a great way to bring together families, teachers and the local community to raise funds and to support the school. Events are held regularly, including school discos, gift sales for special events and fetes. Other events are also well supported by our PTA including the productions and graduation in Year 6. The PTA funds are used to replenish school resources, enrich the libraries in each classroom, improve technology, support enriching experiences and provide opportunities for all.

Co-curricular

Children benefit from a wide range of enrichment opportunities from visits to the theatre, museums and places of worship to historical sites and outdoor adventure sites.

Facilities

Our school boasts excellent facilities, highlights include:

- A welcoming school hall with stage production
- Extensive range of maths resources
- Libraries in each classroom
- Expansive outdoor space
- Large classrooms with lots of natural light
- Dedicated ICT suite
- Dedicated music room
- Onsite kitchen serving fresh food each day
- 2 adventure playgrounds
- Outdoor gym



Fair Field Junior School is a two form entry Junior school in Radlett, South Hertfordshire for children aged 7-11 years old. We have strong links and share an Executive Headteacher with our Infant School, St. John's Nursery and Infant School, also in Radlett. We are part of the Poppy Academy Trust which enables us to provide a bespoke, high energy curriculum to our children.

Fair Field Junior School prides itself on providing high quality, engaging education in the classroom complimented by co-curricular studies. Children are exposed to a range of enriching experiences, which include off site-learning; learning a brass instrument; supporting the local environment through various projects in conjunction with the local council; competing in sports and dance competitions; immersing themselves in Modern Foreign Languages through a real life café; completing a Mini-police project with the local force; engaging in international evenings; singing in local and national events and much more.

The children leave Fair Field in Year 6 with a broadened character from these experiences, ready to begin their secondary education. Children at Fair Field go on to a range of secondary schools including St Albans Girls' School, Queens' School, Parmiter's School, Verulam School, Bushey Meads School, various Independent Schools such as Aldenham School and faith schools such as JCOS & Townsend. It is often said that because Fair Field children have already completed a transition from infant school, they are better prepared for the secondary transition.

Our sole aim is to provide an education that your child(ren) will remember forever with overwhelming

positivity. We want our learning to inspire our children to be kind, well-rounded, confident individuals with high aspirations. We focus on producing children who, through their enjoyment of learning, achieve very high standards in the essential academic areas of reading, writing and maths. In addition, our staff work hard to create exciting broader curriculum experiences to inspire the children in ICT, Design and Technology, Art, Geography, Music, Modern Foreign Languages, Religious Education and Physical Education.

Children are encouraged to immerse themselves in all areas of school life. Staff run clubs based on their interests to drive their passion into the children. Staff also lead councils or crews, who are encouraged to pursue their passion; whether it is in sport, drama, organisation, nature or something else. Children's ideas are listened to and valued - with these suggestions often being adopted into school life.



'Lockdown Hero' Award
FOR OUTSTANDING LEARNER
AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT

SILVER WINNER



In November 2021 we were awarded the Silver National Teaching Award for 'Lockdown Hero' for outstanding Learner and Community Support. Our team worked tirelessly to support the community throughout lockdown and came up with creative ways to engage the children virtually.

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