

ALWAYS AIMING HIGHER, TOGETHER

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ORACY PRESENTATIONS – IMPACTFUL PROJECTS FROM ALL CHILDREN

Our Oracy Project has started brilliantly, with many children already presenting on issues which matter to them and which they believe should be improved.

Last week, many presentations were practised (it was great seeing children get ready in the playground, for instance!) and presented. Many facts were shared and we are all much-better informed now.

Two areas we can all take action on, for instance, are as follows:



Let's make sure we stop using shower gels/tooth pastes which contain microbeads as they are so damaging to the environment. We can also try to buy fish products which aren't damaging marine life. Look out for the MSC logo when you buy fish products.

As ever, and as children know, we are always faced with two options:

1. We moan about how bad some things are and do nothing.
2. We roll up our sleeves and do something about it.

AIMING FOR 97.5% FOR ATTENDANCE AND 100% FOR PUNCTUALITY

Every minute counts!		MARIE CURIE (RECEPTION)	YANNICK NOAH (RECEPTION)	SIMONE DE BEAUVOIR (YEAR 1)	MARIE JOSE PEREC (YEAR 1)	HAROUN TAZIEFF (YEAR 2)	GEORGE SAND (YEAR 2)	JACQUES-YVES COUSTEAU (YEAR 3)	LUCIE AUBRAC (YEAR 4)	TOTAL
ATTENDANCE	LAST WEEK	95.3%	91%	95.3%	94.3%	89.6%	93%	96.8%	96.1%	94%
	SINCE SEPTEMBER	96.7%	96.1%	95.4%	97%	95.5%	96.2%	95.8%	97%	96.2%
PUNCTUALITY	LAST WEEK	98.7%	98.7%	100% 🏆	99.3%	98.7%	100% 🏆	98.8%	99.3%	99.2%



E-SAFETY AND 'TECHNOLOGY & PSYCHOLOGY' WORKSHOP

This Friday, straight after drop off, we will hold a special workshop on e-safety (led by Monsieur Oliveri) and a special workshop on 'Technology & Psychology'.

If your child uses a tablet on a regular basis, do try to come to our workshop as we will share with you some key tips to ensure that they do so safely, particularly in terms of long-term happiness.



PE KITS IN SCHOOL

All PE kits should stay in school, from now on. They will be sent home for washing 2-3 times per half-term.

Different kits should be used for clubs.

This, we hope, will help us ensure that ALL children take part in ALL PE lessons, as expected.



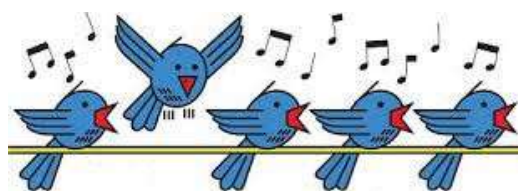
La Fontaine Academy's Year 3 and Year 4 Choir

LA FONTAINE ACADEMY SINGERS

Congratulations to all those who auditioned for the La Fontaine Academy Choir. Rehearsals will be held on Thursdays from 13:05 to 13:30 in the Year 4 classroom.

It is important that children arrive on time and attend every rehearsal. We look forward to singing together!!

Monsieur Speziale



La Fontaine Academy's Dads' Choir

DADS' CHOIR STARTING ON WEDNESDAY 25TH JANUARY

As many dads will know, we are organising a dads' choir! **Our first meeting will take place on Wednesday 25th January, at 19:00.**

Watch this space and be prepared to push yourselves out of your comfort zone! #TrySomethingNew #GrowthMindset

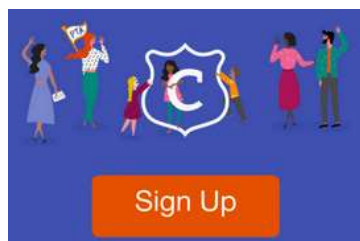


PLASTIC LIDS

We will soon create an art piece using flat plastic lids. Please, keep hold of the lids from milk bottles, water bottles, soft drinks, etc.. Please, carry on sending plastic lids to school. We need lots more!

CLASSLIST – LAUNCH 1ST FEBRUARY

Our new official communication channel



From 1st February, PTA and Class Representatives will be using only Classlist to make announcements and share documentation such as homework as La Fontaine Academy is supporting us in this initiative. Please make sure you sign up now by then @ <https://parent.classlist.com/#/register/find-school>. For further information please contact PTA contact@ptalafontaine.org.uk or visit our website @ <http://www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/classlist/>.

PTA will provide another Classlist session on **Friday 24th February @ Morning Coffee**. Please come with your observations and suggestions. Indeed, Classlist are very responsive and value parents' feedback so we can influence the product roadmap.

Snapshot of what Classlist can offer



1. Reliable class contact books for easy group contacts



2. Secure data protected parent messaging platform



3. School-run map to find other parents nearby



4. Event ticketing and payment function ([Paypal](#))



5. Free listing page for lost items, to buy, sell or give stuff away



6. Easy invite function for private kid's parties

SAVE THE DATE

We are starting to plan and organise exciting events.

Please contact the PTA contant@ptalafontaine.org.uk to participate and help building the La Fontaine Village

- **International Women's Day Cheese and Wine** will be held on Friday 10th March at the school from 7pm onwards.
- **Easter Egg Hunt** will be held on Friday 31st March – last day of Spring Term.

More details to follow on Classlist under Events menu @ <https://parent.classlist.com/#/events/list>

PTA MEETING

Please find the latest meeting minutes on the PTA website at www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/pta-minutes. Note that from 1st February onwards, minutes will be posted solely on Classlist.

HELPING PARENTS AND CARERS BUSINESSES

We encourage LA Fontaine Academy's parents and carers to send us information about their businesses so that, in a further way to support and grow the La Fontaine community, we will help promote parents' and carers' businesses by publishing them in the newsletter and on the PTA's website.

If you are interested, please contact PTA member Lucy Mooney lucy.mooney@hotmail.co.uk.



ITALIAN COFFEE PODS

One of the La Fontaine' mums provides great coffee pods online <http://www.neropurocaffe.com/>

NERO PURO CAFFE has all its coffee roasted and packed in Italy giving you the ultimate coffee experience in the comfort of your own home or office. There is **15 % of discount** for every purchase for La Fontaine school's parents.



RAISE MONEY WHILE SHOPPING

Please use EasyFundraising while online shopping. This cost you nothing whereas money is raised for La Fontaine Academy! There are **over 2,700+ online retailers** taking part in EasyFundraising, [click here to start now](#).

There are other ways you can raise money for La Fontaine beyond PTA fundraising events. Full details and links to join the various schemes are available on our website: www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/donate



FRESH FARMER'S MEAT

Field & Flower are partnering with La Fontaine Academy to help raise money while bringing great quality, ethically reared meat straight to our doorsteps.

PTA will receive 10% of all sales, just make sure you use the special school code **LAFONTAINE** when you place your first order and they will allocate this and all future orders to your school.

More offers @ <http://www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/offers/>



BILINGUAL BOOKS

You can purchase some bilingual books through the PTA which receive 20% commission. These books are not just to help translation, but switch from English to French. All of them have an audio version (mp3 to download from the publisher website).

For further information or to order please contact Amell ml.amatino@gmail.com.

More info on our website at www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/bilingual-books.

Email us at contact@ptalafontaine.org.uk with any comments, ideas and suggestions.

We may not be able to action them all but we will do our best!