

ALWAYS AIMING HIGHER, TOGETHER

Newsletter 3.18 – Monday 30th January, 2017



SAINSBURY'S KIDS VOUCHERS

If you shop at Sainsbury's, please help us collect as many Kids Vouchers as possible. The more vouchers we collect, the more free sports equipment we'll be able to get from them.



SCOOTERS AND BIKES IN THE PLAYGROUND

Please, remember that children are not allowed to ride their bikes or scooters in the playground at the beginning and at the end of the day. This is a Health and Safety issue.



SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH OF DADS' CHOIR

Last week, a group of dads met to start our first ever Dads' Choir! Other dads/uncles/grandpas, etc. are welcome.

Great fun! Great fellowship!

We'll meet every three weeks or so.

Our next rehearsal is this Wednesday (1st February, 19:00-20:00ish) as we're already preparing ourselves for a special performance on 10th March (PTA Wine and Cheese evening, for International Women's Day)!



PLASTIC LIDS FOR SUSTAINABILITY MURAL

As part of our work on the United Nations' Global Goals, we will soon create an art piece at the back of our stage 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!

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	93.3%	92.8%	95.3%	98.2% 🏆	93.4%	92.6%	97.2%	98.6% 🏆	95.2%
	SINCE SEPTEMBER	96.5%	95.9%	95.5%	97.1%	95.3%	95.9%	95.9%	96.9%	96.1%
PUNCTUALITY	LAST WEEK	99.4%	97.6%	98.4%	99%	99.6%	99.6%	96%	95.8%	98.1%



ABSENCE REQUESTS

Please, can we remind you that absences during term time are rarely granted? This is in line with our Attendance Policy (see [here](#)).

We have an attendance target of 97.5%. Any child whose attendance is below 95% is reported to our Education Welfare Officer and is monitored very closely.



DIVERSITY DAY ON THURSDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

Children should come to school in clothes that represent their country/ies of origin (i.e. traditional costumes or clothes of the colour of their flag(s)).

Children should bring £2 to school (which will help us cover the cost of a special workshop + a workshop taking place this week).



INSET DAY ON FRIDAY 10TH FEBRUARY

Please, remember that Friday 10th February is an INSET Day for our teachers. This means that the school will be closed. All staff from the 13 Academies that make up STEP Academy Trust will be meeting on that day.

Children should come back to school on Monday 20th February.



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.



COLD AND WET WEATHER

Can all parents and carers please make sure that children are dressed appropriately for the cold/wet weather? Please, remember to get your child to wear gloves, a scarf, and a woolly hat if necessary.

It is important that you label your child's clothes with their name. This is because they might misplace their clothes at times, and we need to be able to identify them easily. We checked a sample of uniforms last week and identified over 40% of jumpers/cardigans without names...

All unnamed items which end up in our Lost Property Box will be given to charity on a regular basis.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CHEESE & WINE / DADS' CHOIR

Friday 10th March

This event will be held at the school from 7pm onwards. This will also be the Grande Première for **La Fontaine Dad's Choir!**

Ticket price is £7 to include one drink on arrival and a cheese buffet, followed by a cash bar. You can purchase it online directly at [Cheese & Wine / Choir Event at Classlist](#) paying using Paypal or your bank card.

If you would like to participate in this event or discuss about it, please contact event coordinator Ozlem at ozlemjones1@gmail.com

If a personal or financial issue is holding you back from attending an event or participating in any way, please contact the PTA Chair Amell Amatino ml.amatino@gmail.com in strict confidence and every effort will be made to help to solve the issue including giving an appropriate discount when appropriate.



EASTER EGG HUNT

Friday 31st March

The PTA will organise an Easter egg hunt and tea in the last day of Sprint Term. It is a free event with families and siblings are welcome too.

Coordinator is still to be appointed so if you want to volunteer or participate in any other way please contact the PTA at contact@lafontainepta.org.uk

Please RSVP at [Easter Egg Hunt Event at Classlist](#)

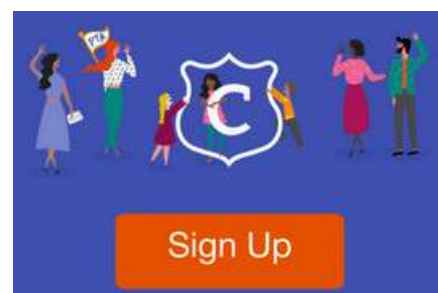
CLASSLIST – LAUNCHING THIS WEEK

Our new official communication channel

Please make sure you are now signed up as Classlist. Only 2 days to go. For further information please visit our website @ <http://www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/classlist/>

PTA will provide 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.



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 - Nespresso and Lavazza A Modo Mio compatible coffee capsules - at <http://www.neropurocaffe.com/>

NERO PURO CAFFÈ 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.

CASH BACK OFFERS

Please visit the following web page for more cash back schemes at <http://www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/offers/>

- **STIKINS®** multipurpose labels www.labelplanet.co.uk or www.name-labels.com
Please quote **33431** when ordering. PTA will receive 30% on all orders.
- **Yellow Moon** Craft Shop www.yellowmoon.org.uk
Please quote **LAF50523** at the checkout and PTA will get 10% cash back
- **Field&Flower** Farmers' Meat www.fieldandflower.co.uk
Please quote **LAFONTAINE** when placing your first order, 10% will be donated to the PTA
- **Micro Scooters** from <http://www.micro-scooters.co.uk>
Please quote **140999** so we get back 10%

2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The PTA is now running a second-hand uniform shop. Donations are welcome. Please contact Lauren 07914423650 if you want to purchase outfits. All proceeds will go to the PTA.

DONATIONS

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

