

ALWAYS AIMING HIGHER, TOGETHER

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SPELLINGS FOR ALL CHILDREN

As part of the children's learning, there are key words which are really important for them to know how to spell. These words are called 'High Frequency Words' and they're named in this way as they are words which we use very frequently. Many of these words cannot be spelt phonetically, so please help your child learn to spell them. You can find the age-appropriate lists at www.lafontaineacademy.org/home-prep.



FOOTBALL CLUB FOR PARENTS/CARERS/FRIENDS

Calling on all parents/carers, uncles/aunties, friends! A new Football Club is being set up.

Sessions will take place on Saturday mornings, near the school.

If you're interested, please speak to Dr Chapleau. More information soon! Watch this space.

CHARITY FORTNIGHT – LET'S HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE WORLD

Marie Curie
Cancer Care



As you know, our Vision is rooted in a clear sense of purpose. Our practices are based on a commitment and engagement with local and global communities. We want our children to become citizens who can play an active role in 21st century society.



From Monday 8th to Friday 26th May, we'll be celebrating our annual Charity Fortnight and children will learn and reflect on some of the issues we face in society.

This year, as a school, we will be supporting the work of two important charities: Marie Curie Cancer Care (www.mariecurie.org.uk) and The Steve Bernard Foundation (www.stevebernardfoundation.com).



NEW SITE – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

As of September 2017 the permanent site for our school will be at The Widmore Centre, Nightingale Lane, Bromley, BR1 2SQ.

A list of Frequently Asked Questions has been compiled and is available at www.lafontaineacademy.org/new-site.

If there are any frequent questions not listed in the current document, worry not. Rather, email newsite@lafontaineacademy.org. We will include any other frequently asked questions in our Frequently Asked Questions document and will send updated versions to our families accordingly.



COOKING LESSONS – KITCHEN CLASSROOM

Taking into account some of the ideas suggested by our children in terms of our new school site, we are aiming to have a kitchen-classroom next year which all children will be able to use to learn to cook! Watch this space!!

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 |
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| ATTENDANCE | LAST WEEK | 97.3% | 96.7% | 97.3% | 98.3% 🏆 | 97.7% 🏆 | 96.1% | 95% | 97.9% 🏆 | 97.1% |
| | SINCE SEPTEMBER | 96.3% | 96.1% | 95.8% | 96.8% | 96.6% | 96.2% | 95.8% | 97% | 96.3% |
| PUNCTUALITY | LAST WEEK | 99.4% | 97.7% | 99.7% | 99.7% | 99.6% | 99.2% | 98.1% | 99% | 99% |



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. **ANYONE WITH AN ATTENDANCE BELOW 95% THAT IS STILL GOING DOWN (FOR UNAUTHORISED REASONS) COULD BE ASKED FOR A MEETING TO DISCUSS ISSUES RELATED TO WHAT IS DESCRIBED AS 'EDUCATIONAL NEGLIGENCE' (i.e. a parent/carer's failure to provide for a child's basic needs with regards to school and education).**



THE GLOBAL GOALS

GLOBAL GOALS HOME PROJECTS – MESSAGE FROM MONSIEUR SPEZIALE



enjoyable and build up to their final product for the week of May 15th.

Just a reminder to ensure that you are working with your child(ren) in the spirit of fun and creativity to complete the Global Goals Home projects for this term. The weekly assignments should be

Any questions, please speak to Monsieur Speziale in the playground at the end of the day (or send him an email at the following address: oracy@lafontaineacademy.org).

SPORTS AND FITNESS AT LA FONTAINE

Our latest Sports and Fitness Newsletter is available on our website at www.lafontaineacademy.org/sports.

Have a look to read about many of the things that are going on at school to develop healthy lifestyles amongst our children!



Sports and Fitness



SPORTS AND FITNESS COFFEE MORNING WORKSHOP

FRIDAY 5TH MAY, 08:30-09:30 (weather permitting)

Come and join us for a special Coffee Morning Workshop on Friday!

Madame Kirkegaard will go through some activities our children do at school (multi-skills, 'Beep Test', etc.) and will share tips with parents/carers about how to further develop your child's (and your own) healthy habits!

Bring your trainers!!

DONATIONS APPEAL

We had a more extensive wish list from La Fontaine, an extra effort is needed to have a playful and inspiring new school.

- PE equipment, PE mats and gymnastics equipment
- Playtime equipment & costs for the professional markings for the new site's playground
- Class resources: Dictionaries and thesauri
- Art equipment
- Instruments (educational catalogues have 'music trolleys' we could use)
- Cooking lessons for all: cooking utensils for next year
- Coffee machine for staff room
- We now also have a separate list from each of our class teachers for various stationery, art equipment etc. – estimated at approximately £150 per class. More details will be provided on the content of these lists soon.



WATER AND LIFE MURAL MOSAIC

The five panels have been painted and rendered. And now our children will be gluing the lids on them starting in 1 or 2 weeks. Parents and carers are needed to help them probably on Wednesdays and Thursdays to be confirmed shortly. Please carry on collecting plastic lids. We still need more of them.

EVENT PLANNING MEETING MINUTES

Thank you to all those who were able to join to discuss forthcoming events. The minutes of our meeting can be found at www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/LFA-PTA-Meeting-28-04-2017.pdf.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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| Sunday 21st May – midday start | Morning Ramble – Free event |
| Friday 26th May – after pick-up | Year 2 'Festival'. |
| Friday 9th June 7pm - 9:30pm | La Fontaine Salsa Night |
| Friday 23rd/Saturday 24th June | Camping at Cudham |
| Tuesday 27th June (TBC) | Sports Day |
| Sunday 2nd July | La Fontaine Riviera Fete |
| Friday 14th July | Bastille Day Village Party |



LA FONTAINE SALSA NIGHT

Friday 9th June, 7pm - 9:30pm - Price: £7.50 per adult

Join us for La Fontaine's first ever salsa night! Learn how to salsa in a one hour lesson provided by our very own salsa teachers in our parent community! The salsa class is for Absolute Beginners. No dance experience, coordination or partner required!! Drinks and snacks will be available for purchase. Babysitting option will be available onsite, pending further investigation. Details to come.



Blooming Apps

SMARTPHONE APPLICATIONS

Dad Gerry Allotey builds apps for individuals, businesses, charities, schools etc. for the AppStore and Google Play. He creates bespoke apps to help generate better awareness, customers, targeting and presence. Check out details at www.bloomingapps.co.uk or call 07941 665975 for further information.



FAY TILSON
FITNESS

TUESDAY GET FIT SESSIONS

Calling all LFA parents and carers who are looking to "get fit" and have some fun. Fay - a qualified fitness trainer - is running a free circuits fitness session in the park close to school after drop off on Tuesday mornings. It is suitable for all levels of fitness and aims to have you building strength and cardio fitness whilst having lots of fun. If you would

like more information, please contact Fay at fay@fayfit.com. Fay specialises in women's fitness, especially pre/post-natal, pelvic floor and core strengthening. More services are provided – please check website <https://www.fayfit.com>.

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 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 parents.

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.



CASH BACK OFFERS

Please, visit the following web page for more cash back schemes at 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**. PTA will get back 10%.
- **Field&Flower** Farmers' Meat www.fieldandflower.co.uk. Please, quote **LAFONTAINE**. PTA will get back 10%.
- **Micro Scooters** from www.micro-scooters.co.uk. Please, quote **140999**. PTA will get back 10%.

DONATIONS

There are several 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.

GO CARDLESS

Sign up for Go Cardless! This scheme allows you to make a monthly donation to the PTA via direct debit for an amount of your choice. It takes under a minute to set up online via the above link. Be sure to register as Gift Aid eligible via the instructions on our website. It takes less than a minute to sign up!

EASY FUNDING

Sign up to Easyfundraising and every time you shop online, the online retailer will give you a cash reward that you can turn into a donation for the PTA.

CORPORATE MATCHED GIVING PROGRAMMES

If you work for an organisation that has a match funding policy, any money you raise could be matched by your employer. Please check with your employer if you are interested.

ONE-OFF DONATIONS

If you would like to do a one-off donation, please do not hesitate to email us at contact@ptalafontaine.org.uk.
