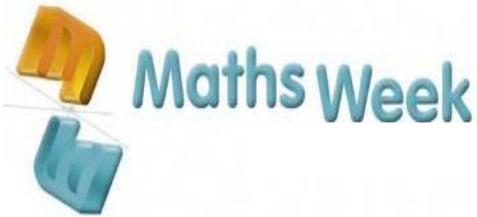


ALWAYS AIMING HIGHER, TOGETHER

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THIS WEEK IS MATHS WEEK!

At La Fontaine, we will be celebrating mathematics all week! Every day, the children will be using their maths knowledge and skills across the curriculum, not just in 'maths' lessons. As well as that, while the children are playing the playground, they can solve a different maths investigation each day.

In order for the week to be an overwhelming success, we need everyone at La Fontaine to get involved. Below, is a list of what we would like you to do at home to get in to the maths spirit!

- **Make a maths hat** - At the end of the Maths Week, children can come to school wearing their maths hat. This could be in the shape of a six-sided die; a times tables hat or something from your wildest imagination. All we ask is that you also make a £1 donation so that we can buy even more maths equipment to support the children's learning.
- **Make a presentation about a famous mathematician** - This could be any mathematician that has made an impact on the world. You can be creative with this task; how your child would like to present their findings is your choice. They may want to choose a PowerPoint presentation; a poster; an information leaflet or oral presentation.
- **Pi learning competition** - The children are encouraged to learn Pi to as many digits as possible. At the end of the week, we will have a school-wide competition to see who can learn Pi to the most places.



We will also be pushing the reintroduction of Times Tables Rockstars this week, so please encourage your children to keep on learning their times tables!

You can access Times Tables Rockstars by going on our website at www.lafontaineacademy.org/home-prep.



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HARVEST APPEAL 2017 - PLEASE, BRING ITEMS THIS WEEK

Reception, Years 1-2: Non-perishable foods (pasta, rice, cans, flour, cereals, lentils, etc.) for charity Emmaus.

Years 3-5: Toiletry items (shower gels, shampoos, shaving foam/gels, etc.) for charity Emmaus.

All classes: teddy bears for children refugees.



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 lists at www.lafontaineacademy.org/home-prep.



DADS' CHOIR – VERSION 2.0

Our Dads' Choir is back! All dads/uncles/grandpas, etc. are welcome. Great fun! Great fellowship! We'll meet every three weeks or so.

Our first rehearsal for this year will be on Wednesday 11th October, 19:00-20:00ish).

AIMING FOR 97.5% FOR ATTENDANCE AND 100% FOR PUNCTUALITY

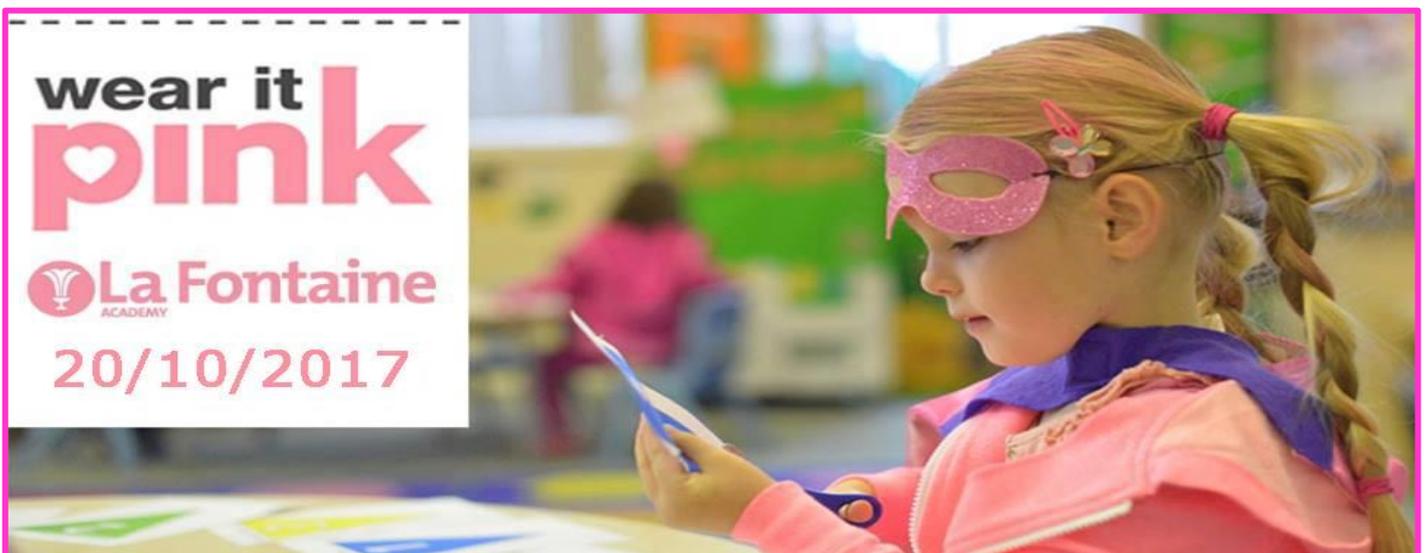
We have noticed that a few families have asked for time off to go on holiday early. As you know, this is something we cannot authorise. You need to be aware that we have a duty to report unauthorised absences to Bromley Council and that fines can be issued to families who don't adhere to our school policy in terms of attendance (see here for our policy: www.lafontaineacademy.org/policies). We thank you for your cooperation.

	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)	JACQUES DERRIDA (YEAR 3)	LUCIE AUBRAC (YEAR 4)	SIMONE VEIL (YEAR 5)	TOTAL
LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE (%)	98.7 🏆	98.9 🏆	98.7 🏆	97.3	96.9	100 🏆	98.9 🏆	98.1 🏆	97.5 🏆	94.1	97.9 🏆
ATTENDANCE SINCE SEPTEMBER (%)	97.7 🏆	97.7 🏆	98.5 🏆	94.9	98.3 🏆	97.1	97.7 🏆	98.2 🏆	97.5 🏆	95.2	97.3
LAST WEEK'S PUNCTUALITY (%)	98.8	99	99	99	100 🏆	99.7	99.5	99.6	99	100 🏆	99.4

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

We are committed to ensuring that all our pupils make the most of their educational opportunities at La Fontaine and recognise that this can only be achieved through regular school attendance.





PARENTS & TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

www.ptalafontaine.org.uk



FRENCH COFFEE MORNING – MERCI

Thank you so much to Ozlem Jones for organising the refreshments, and to Vincent Laine for leading the lesson last Friday!

The next French Coffee Morning will be on Friday 17 November after drop-off. We'd like to have a different French-speaking parent lead each event if possible. No special skills required, you can talk about the basic vocabulary of a topic of your choice, and encourage discussion amongst the parents in attendance. If you'd like to get involved, please contact a PTA committee member or email contact@ptalafontaine.org.uk.



PARENT SURVEY: MUSIC LESSONS

The school would like to be able to offer music lessons for every child, during the school day. Unfortunately, this is not covered by government funding, so we are looking for ways to cover the costs, including applying for grants and fundraising from parents.

To ensure that this initiative is supported by LFA families, we would appreciate a few minutes of your time to answer a brief survey, which can be found on our school's website at: www.lafontaineacademy.org/music-survey.

We need survey responses by the end of half term (Friday 27 October) to allow us to compile the results and make a decision on whether music lessons can begin in the Spring Term, so please take a few moments to share your thoughts with us on the link above. If you would like to discuss fundraising or music lessons, please contact Erica Nelson, Tanya Stevens, or Sharon Newbury in person or via Classlist.



SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE

The next second-hand uniform stall will be on Thursday 19 October after school, weather permitting. Please bring cash if you'd like to get a good deal on gently-used uniform pieces. All proceeds go to the PTA.



If you have any items of uniform that your child no longer needs, please consider donating them to the PTA. Give them to any committee member at pick-up/drop-off, or leave them in a bag at the office clearly labelled with "PTA".



HALLOWEEN DISCO PREPARATIONS – RAFFLE PRIZES, VOLUNTEERS, AND TICKETS

The annual La Fontaine Halloween Party is on 21 October, from 12-3pm at Bishop Justus. We will have a raffle and are looking for donations of prizes of all kinds. Prizes in the past have included vouchers for local restaurants and shops, vouchers for cleaning services, wine, flowers, and Eurostar tickets! If you have an item to donate, please email lucy.mooney@hotmail.co.uk.

Tickets cost £6 for one adult and one child, £2 for additional siblings, and are available via the PTA website: www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/halloween.

Please, as in previous years, we do not want to frighten any of the children and so parents are asked to not make their children look too scary, particularly from the neck upwards, and particularly not to wear scary masks. We also ask for no blood, no guts and no weaponry to be used on the outfits.

HELPING PARENTS AND CARERS BUSINESSES

We encourage La Fontaine Academy's parents and carers to send us information about their businesses, to support and grow the La Fontaine community. More info is available at www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/offers.



BUY STIKINS® NAME LABELS

STIKINS® are multipurpose name labels that simply stick onto all school items, including shoes and bags, lunch boxes and water bottles, school equipment, and phones and tablets. You can get them from www.labelplanet.co.uk or www.name-labels.com. Please quote La Fontaine fundraising number 33431 when ordering and the PTA will get a commission.

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Classlist is our sole communication channel, alongside the newsletter.

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If you have any problems with the registration process, please contact your Class Representative or Amell Amatino ml.amatino@gmail.com.

Classlist is also a great way to organise sharing school runs, with a map feature to show you which parents live nearby. For more info, visit <https://parent.classlist.com/#/run-map>.