

ALWAYS AIMING HIGHER, TOGETHER

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On Friday, as has become a tradition, we will all come to school dressed in pink.

We will be raising money for Breast Cancer Now, the UK's largest breast cancer charity and one dedicated to funding research into this devastating disease.

We invite parents/carers to attend a Coffee Morning on Friday, to celebrate the end of a busy half term. Please, bring lots of pink cakes!



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 (%)	98.1 🏆	97.9 🏆	99 🏆	99.7 🏆	97.2	96.7	93.7	92.9	97.5 🏆	95.6	97.1
ATTENDANCE SINCE SEPTEMBER (%)	97.8 🏆	97.7 🏆	98.6 🏆	95.8	98.1 🏆	97	96.9	97.3	97.5 🏆	95.3	97.2
LAST WEEK'S PUNCTUALITY (%)	98.8	99.3	98	98	99.4	99	98.5	99.1	97.9	99.2	98.6

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.



HARVEST APPEAL

A huge **THANK YOU** to all families for being so generous during our Harvest Appeal. We have collected 100s of food and toiletry items which will soon be donated to **Emmaus UK** and **Sponsor Refugees**.

Emmaus supports people who have experienced homelessness by providing them with a home and meaningful work in a community setting.

We will share all our Teddy Bears Sponsor Refugees, a charity whose mission is to work with partners, including the UK government, to increase the number of groups who sponsor refugees and to embed community sponsorship as a key element of refugee protection in our country.

Thanks for your generosity and for your commitment to helping us make society fairer.



HALF-TERM – MONDAY 23TH TO SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER

Over half-term, try to take your child to fun activities in London!

Lots of info on Time Out London: [here](#). Search Google: 'things to do half term London' and see what happens!

If going on day trips (or longer trips), remember to send us some post cards!

Have fun!



PARENTS & TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

www.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.



FUNDRAISING UPDATE

The PTA works closely with the school on a wishlist of items needed but not covered by the school's funding. As a newly founded school, La Fontaine is still building up its bank of resources, investing in supplies and equipment which should last for years to come. Recently, the PTA used some of its funds to purchase over 100 books for the school. These included classics, modern classics, and a range of titles covering diversity, as well as author focus packs from Elizabeth Laird, Philip Pullman, Frank Cottrell Boyce and Kate DiCamillo, and a set of titles recommended for encouraging and supporting a growth mindset.

If you would like to make a monetary donation to the PTA of any size, whether as a one-off or by direct debit every month, please visit www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/donate for more information.

Above, a selection of the books purchased with PTA funds, and left, the PTA stamp in one of the books – if you spot this, you're holding a book bought with the support of La Fontaine families!



TOY DONATIONS FOR THE TOY STALL

If you have any good quality, gently used toys that your family no longer needs, please donate them to our used toy stall at the Halloween party. They can be dropped off at the school office this week, in a bag marked "PTA".

Please only donate toys which are in good condition, with all parts/pieces included, so that we can resell them. No toy weapons. All proceeds from the toy stall, as well as the rest of the Halloween event, will go to the PTA.



SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE

The next second-hand uniform stall will be THIS 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 – THIS SATURDAY, 21 OCTOBER

The annual La Fontaine Halloween Party is THIS SATURDAY! Raffle tickets went home in the children's bookbags last week. Instructions were attached – they are £1 each, and the stubs and payment can be returned to the PTA mailbox or via the child's bookbag.

We still need volunteers to help with activities, so if you'd like to get involved, please contact your Class Rep or any PTA member. 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.



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.

NEWSLETTER WRITER NEEDED

We are very grateful to Erica Nelson who has been relentlessly producing the PTA part of the newsletter every single week. It is time for her to have her full weekend back. :-)

Putting the PTA section of the newsletter together involves collating the various pieces together and sending the final version to Dr Chapleau on Sundays. We are looking for someone to carry on this task for the next half term or longer.

Please let the editor inside you blossom and step forward by contacting Amell Amatino amell.amatino@gmail.com.

