

FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPECIAL EDITION! NEWSLETTER



What a spectacular half-term we have enjoyed at Florence Melly Community Primary School and to celebrate, we have decided to release a special edition of our weekly newsletter. This newsletter will look back at some of the amazing activities, trips and learning opportunities our pupils have participated in so far this year. It is a celebration of the memorable experiences we create at our school. Enjoy!

Anti-Bullying Week - December 2017

In December, we school celebrated our very own Anti-Bullying Week. The national theme for this year was 'All different, All equal' and many of the classes explored this during their SMSC lessons. We also had our own theme this year which was 'Throw KINDNESS like CONFETTI'. The children have worked hard completing work to contribute towards a lovely whole-school display. The children were fantastic all week and thoroughly enjoyed exploring the theme.

Drama Club has proved to be a real hit - May 2018

Earlier this term, Mrs Slade developed a drama club for pupils in Year's 3-4 working alongside Liverpool John Moore's University. The club is designed to develop confidence and self-esteem through performing arts and it has proved to be really popular amongst the pupils. This week they have continued to work on the performance of Jack and the Beanstalk, designing the village where Jack lives!

Ready, Steady...COOK! - November 2017

In November, we were treated to a cookery masterclass led by Stuart and Fay from Chartwells (the company who provide our school dinners). Mr Walsh and Mrs Dentith swapped their teacher whiteboard pens for chef whites and competed against each other in a battle to be crowned 'Florence Melly's Masterchef'. Four children were selected to join the teachers and they rustled up two delicious, healthy dishes in front of the whole school that Jamie Oliver would be proud of. The children thoroughly enjoyed the event and they enthusiastically cheered the teachers and their peers on. The competition was decided by 'cheer-o-meter' and was won by Mr Walsh! His dish was so delicious that he is considering leaving the teaching profession to pursue a career in the food industry.

















Liverpool Central Library with Frank Cottrell-Boyce - November 2017

Our head boy and head girl had the pleasure of meeting award-winning author and screenwriter, Frank Cottrell-Boyce. As part of the 'In My Life' launch, the pupils were invited to the Liverpool Central Library to become involved with the launch of this project. 'In My Life' provides an opportunity for schools to embed creative writing throughout the curriculum by enabling students to share thoughts, express feelings, take time to reflect and record significant events. The aim of this new initiative is to inspire students to produce diaries, journals, biographies, autobiographies and other types of reflections. Supporting the project was Frank Cottrell-Boyce, who met with our head boy and head girl. As well as having a photograph taken, they were also lucky enough to hear the master storyteller read an extract from one of his books.

At Florence Melly, we Remember! - November 2017

During the week beginning 6th November 2017, in memory of all those who lost their lives at war, our school sold poppies on behalf of the Royal British Legion. Our Head Boy, Deputy Head Boy, Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl visited each class selling stick on poppies to our children. The children learned all about the significance of the Poppy Appeal and Armistice Day and that it is a very special part of our British culture when we remember the fallen and those who gave their lives to defend Britain, in assemblies by Mrs Matthews and Miss Foley. They then headed off to class to gain a deeper understanding in their SMSC lessons. A group of children also visited the grave of Florence Melly, the founder of our school, at the Chapel in Toxteth with Mr Doyle. They paid their respects and helped clean the grave. Classes took the time to create beautiful displays in their rooms and all of the children conducted themselves in a respectful way when the whole-school held a two-minute silence on Friday 10th November. At the end of the week, children brought the work they had completed around remembrance to the celebration assembly and shared it with the rest of the school.





If you don't already...please follow us on Twitter and Flickr. Our social media feeds are packed full of the wonderful activities we offer our children!













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Everton vs Arsenal...A trip to Goodison Park! - October 2017

Over the October half term, 10 children from Year 6 participated in a litter pick around our school grounds and were rewarded by Merseyside Police with tickets to attend Everton v Arsenal on Sunday 22nd October. The students all attended the game and sat within touching distance of the players in the Family Enclosure. Although the result wasn't great for Everton, the children saw lots of action as 7 goals were scored throughout the game with Arsenal winning 5-2. We thank Paul of Merseyside Police who supported children with the litter pick around the school and John who assisted children at the game. A special thanks to Mr Derbyshire for organising the event and supervising the children at the game.











The Premier League Trophy Comes to Flo Melly - October 2017

Wow, what an amazing experience for our pupils. Florence Melly Primary School welcomed the Premier League Primary Stars and Liverpool FC Foundation to our school with the Premier League Trophy. Our children had a great time, they had their pictures taken with the trophy, outdoor activities and met the Liverpool Mascot Mighty Red. See some of our pictures below.

Don't Look Back in Anger - May 2018

Before the half term, our staff and pupils took a minute to remember the victims of last year's tragic Manchester bombing. The children paid their respects superbly and we are so proud of the way they conducted themselves.

Seafood Week - It was a bit fishy! - October 2017

Pupils at our school were schooled on seafood as part of national Seafood Week, a celebration of the UK's seafood which encourages people to eat more seafood, more often. Our pupils got the chance to touch, taste and prepare seafood and learn about its importance as part of a healthy diet. The Year 3 children made prawn cocktails from scratch with School Food Advisor Michaela Wright from Apple of my Eye. Michaela said: "The whole idea is to educate about food and eat more fish, something which many of the pupils may not have had the chance to do at home. Most of the children have only eaten fish from their local chippy without knowing what species it is. They got the chance to hold a whole rainbow trout and learn about the good things that happen to their bodies when they eat fish".



On Friday 11th May, several members of staff and PATCH took part in Florence Melly's very own Strictly Come Dancing competition. The night was a fantastic success which raised over £500, which will be put towards a PATCH fun day for children later this year. A huge congratulations to Mr Derbyshire and Mrs Moses who danced their way to victory on the night. Look out for the next event...Lip Sync Battle! It's sure to be a BLAST!

Christmas Card Project for Local MP Dan Carden - December 2017

Earlier in the year, some of our superb Year 4 pupils spent the time designing Christmas card's for a competition set up by local MP Dan Carden. The children thoroughly enjoyed the challenge and produced some wonderful designs. They were so proud of their achievements. Well done!



Working with Apple of my Eye in Design Technology - May 2018

Our partnership with Apple of my Eye, the fabulous food education service, just gets better and better. Michaela and her team worked with our Year 4 pupils, designing and preparing delicious pizzas. The pupils built pizza boxes and branded their creations as part of their design technology project.

We're Sorry but our Facebook Page is Closing Down!

Unfortunately, we are having to close down our Facebook page. This page was set up specifically for our 90th birthday celebrations last year and we have never used it in the same way that we use our Twitter feed. As a result, we have taken the decision to focus just on our Twitter feed at the moment. We apologise if you find this disappointing. We do have plans to open a new Facebook page in the future.











We are always looking for new, innovative ways to engage with our parents. Do you have any suggestions as to how we can improve our newsletters? If you do, please get in touch!



06/06/18 Year 6 Residential Trip 11/06/18 NSPCC 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' Assembly **12/06/18**Year 5 and Year
6 NSPCC
Workshops

22/06/18 Y6 'Weapons and Gangs' Workshop at Anfield

29/06/18 PATCH Quiz Night **20/07/18**School Closes for the Summer Holidays