



# FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Just a Quick Update...

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that this email reaches you safe and well. I thought I'd write to you, at the end of a long half-term, to provide a couple of quick updates and reminders.

### School Photographs

On Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th June, the school photographer will be visiting our school. These are the first two days back after the half-term holiday. Every child will be photographed both individually and with their classmates. Unfortunately, we cannot facilitate sibling photographs this year. There is absolutely no obligation to purchase the photographs. If you do not want your child to be photographed, please let the office know as soon as possible.

### Wearing the Correct Uniform on PE Day

I want to remind parents/carers that the children must come into school in their PE kits on their designated PE day. The children need to wear a white polo shirt or white t-shirt, their school jumper or cardigan and tracksuit bottoms or leggings with trainers. The tracksuit bottoms or leggings need to be navy or black. The children must also bring a waterproof coat/jacket as the vast majority of PE lessons will now take place outside. **It is important that your child wears the correct items and not football kits/full tracksuits/crop-tops etc.** Thank you for your support with this. We will be monitoring this after the half-term.

| PE Timetable for after half-term until the summer holidays |                   |           |          |                 |
|--|-------------------|-----------|----------|-----------------|
| Monday   | Tuesday           | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday          |
| Year 1   | Reception         | Year 2    | Year 3   | Morning Nursery |
| Year 5   | Year 4            |           |          | Year 6          |
|  | Afternoon Nursery |           |          |                 |

### Christmas in the Summer Term - Flo Mellymas!

Back in December, I had to write to you all cancelling Christmas - I felt like the Grinch and it was a really hard decision to make! In hindsight, it proved to be the correct decision but I did promise that we would revisit this in the Summer term. Well, the Summer term has arrived and I am delighted to inform you that we plan on having our own Christmas party day. Ironically, Aldi (the supermarket chain) are holding their own Christmas event in June which they have dubbed Junemas. Our event, 'Flo Mellymas', will take place on Friday 2nd July. We are inviting the children to come into school in Christmas jumpers or Christmas t-shirts and there will be a whole host of lovely, festive activities taking place across the day. More information will follow after the half-term but we wanted to give you the heads up in plenty of time so that you can start getting ready for the festivities!

## Face Coverings on the Playground

Just a little reminder, we are still asking that you continue to wear face coverings on the playground when dropping off and picking up your children. This is particularly important when you need to speak, in close proximity, with a member of staff. Thank you for understanding.

## School Term Dates

If you haven't already, please head over to our website where you will find handy, printable term date posters (to put up on your fridge): <https://florencemelly.org/parents/term-dates/>.

## 30 Hour Funded Nursery Places

Our nursery provision is changing and I am absolutely delighted to announce that, from September 2021, we are able to offer our parents/carers fully funded, 30-hour a week nursery places, to those who are entitled. This 30-hour provision is for:

- ▶ For **working families in England.**
- ▶ With 3 and/or 4 year-old children.
- ▶ **30 hours of free childcare** or early education for **38 weeks.**
- ▶ A total of **1,140 hours per year**, that you can use flexibly with one or more childcare provider.

If you are interested and think you may be eligible, please check out the Childcare Choices website: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk> for further information. Here you will find what support the Government can provide towards childcare costs.

For further information, please see the letter sent out to all prospective new nursery starter parents/carers: <https://florencemelly.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Letter-to-ParentsCarers-Full-Time-School-Nursery-280521.pdf>.

Do not worry if you are not eligible, as all families with a 3 and 4 year old child will still be eligible for the universal offer of free early education of up to 15 hours a week term time. Morning or afternoon sessions will be available as per usual. The morning sessions will take place between 8:30am until 11:30am. The afternoon sessions will be held between 12:00pm until 3:00pm.

That's all from us. Can I take this opportunity to thank you again for your time, support and commitment to our school - we really do appreciate it. Have an amazing half-term break!

Take care and stay safe.



Mr Leach  
Headteacher

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