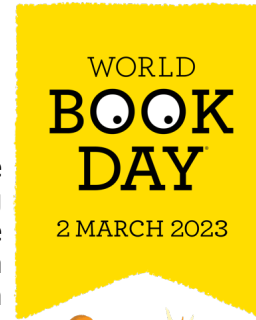




## CHANGING LIVES THROUGH A LOVE OF BOOKS AND READING!

What an amazing day we had on Thursday, celebrating World Book Day! Using the book 'Bottled' as our theme, classes enjoyed a whole host of wonderful reading and mental health boosting activities. Children created messages in a bottle, wrote and performed poetry, practiced mindfulness through yoga and had a booktastically great time! Developing reading continues to be one of our main priorities at Florence Melly and celebrating this special day is just one way we help foster a genuine love for reading! If you'd like to enhance what we offer by continuing the celebration at home, please visit the World Book Day website: [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com), it's packed full of activities and ideas for families to enjoy! Check out our Twitter feed for more fabulous photos of our celebration!



### IMPORTANT DATES!

**07/03/23**  
Cross-Country  
Race at  
Wavertree

**09/03/23**  
Class  
Photographs

**27/03/23**  
Parents'  
Evening (more  
details to  
follow)

For more important  
dates, please visit the  
'parent zone' of our  
school website!



### No Bystanders! Working with Bully Busters and the LFC Foundation

Some of our pupils visited Anfield for a great workshop hosted by the LFC Foundation and Bully Busters. The children discussed their views and thoughts on bullying, and the importance of not just being a 'bystander' and 'standing up' to bullying. Educating our pupils about this important area of school life is vital!

### Celebrating World Book Day at Anfield!

In last week's newsletter, we let you all know about the unforgettable experience our pupils had at Anfield with the LFC Foundation. This week, in line with the national World Book Day celebrations, the following celebratory video was launched on the LFC Twitter page. Can you spot our Flo Melly pupils? [World Book Day Video Clip!](#)

### Weekly Book Recommendation by Mrs Cotter and Mr Doyle!

This week's book recommendation is the book we have explored as a whole school for World Book Day - [Bottled by Tom and Joe Brassington](#). Our focus this year has been on mental health and we have been talking about how important it is to share our feelings rather than bottling them up inside. Authors Tom and Joe Brassington help children of all ages understand why and how they should express their emotions in a healthy way. This story is a brilliant starting point for early, crucial conversations surrounding mental wellbeing; this book is an invaluable tool which parents/carers and teachers can use to create emotionally honest spaces for children in their care. 'This is a bottle. You will have seen bottles before. What are you bottling up? Maybe now's the time to explore...'



Head over to our [Twitter](#) and [Flickr](#) feeds for more updates, news and photos!



### ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Year 3 (95.4%)

Year 5 (95.0%)

Year 1 (94.9%)

Year 2 (94.9%)

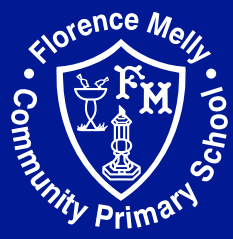
Year 4 (93.3%)

Reception (92.7%)

Year 6 (92.1%)

Nursery (82.9%)

**93.4%**  
Whole-school  
attendance this week!



# FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## PARENT/CARER UPDATE

### IF YOU CAN DREAM IT, YOU CAN DO IT!



#### End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 3rd March 2023

**Everton in the Community dad's club** - Running twice monthly, the club is open to all dads/male carers with pre-school aged children. We have lots of play equipment and activities about for the dads to engage with their children. Healthy snacks and bacon sandwiches are also provided for all. Their next two groups will have a mobile petting zoo, where the children will be able to meet a variety of small animals.

The date of the next event is:

- 4<sup>th</sup> March 2023 between 10:00 - 11:30am at The People Hub.

The club is completely free to attend, but you need to register by filling out this form: [Everton in the Community dad's club](#).

**Our Parent/Carer Focus Group** - We are delighted to announce that our Parent/Carer focus group will start again next week. Our Senior Leadership Team will be meeting a group of parents/carers to talk through and discuss how we move certain things forward in our school. We want our parents to have a voice and help shape what we provide for our children and we see this approach as a perfect way to achieve this. If you are interested in joining this group, please get in touch; we would love to have you help support us. Next week's meeting we will be focussing on celebrating attendance and amplifying desirable behaviour through our behaviour policy; plus anything else that the parents attending raise. We will feedback to everyone about what we discuss and decide next week.

**Class Photographs** - This coming Thursday, the school photographers are in school to take class photographs. If you do not want your child to have their photo taken as part of their class group, please let us know. For parents/carers of children in Year 5, your child has PE in the afternoon on Thursday - can you please send your child into school in their normal school uniform, with their PE kit in a separate bag for them to get changed after the photograph.

**Kooth for Children and Young People - Your online mental wellbeing community** - We would like to signpost you, and your child/children to Kooth - a free, safe online place for young people to access online support and counselling when they are not feeling their best. For further information, please see Mr Doyle, our Mental Health Lead and check out this very informative video from Kooth: <https://www.kooth.com/video>.

**Qwell** - Similarly, we would like to direct parent/carers to free, safe and anonymous mental wellbeing support for adults across the UK. Qwell, offers a variety of anonymous support options to meet the needs of adults who require support. The Qwell team is ready to support you. Their UK based professionals are available to listen and support through all things big and small. For further information, please click the following link: <https://www.qwell.io/#offering>.

Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely weekend.

The Flo Melly team.

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