

# FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## **KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE WITH THE NSPCC!**

On Thursday, our Year 5 paid a visit to the NSPCC Hub in Liverpool, which is home to Childline North West. They received an informative workshop from the staff at Childline which reiterated some very important safeguarding messages before being whisked for a tour of the premises. The children then got to sit in the call centre and experience working on the computers! Afterwards, they were visited by Merseyside Police and got to experience first-hand some of the police equipment - particular delight was taken in handcuffing Mr Baillie and putting the sirens on full blast! The children finished with a great session from the staff at the LFC Foundation - what a wonderful afternoon!

















## **IMPORTANT** DATES!

19/06/23 Reception and KS1 iSing event at the Philharmonic

20/06/23 KS2 iSing event at the Philharmonic

23/06/23 School reports sent home to parent/carers

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

## **ATTENDANCE** MATTERS!

Reception (97.3%)

Year 2 (96.2%)

Year 1 (94.7%)

Year 4 (94.7%)

Year 3 (94.2%)

Year 5 (91.7%)

Nursery (90.4%)

Year 6 (87.5%)

93.6% Whole-school attendance this week!

### **Enrichment Trip to Blackpool Zoo!**

Yet another memorable learning experience was provided for our pupils this week as we rewarded some of our excellent attenders with a visit to Blackpool Zoo. For many of the children, this was a unique, first time experience. The children enjoyed seeing and learning all about the different species of animal and they found out that penguins like lying on the grass, basking in the sunshine!

#### **Year 6 Residential Trip to Dobroyd Castle in Todmorden**

During the half-term, our Year 6 pupils visited Robinwood for their annual residential. Over the course of three days, the children were faced with a series of tasks and challenges encouraging them to show their resilience and determination! From climbing walls and zip-lines to giant swings and escape rooms - it was quite the experience and they all came away with huge smiles on their faces! A big thank you to our Year 6 team, Mr Baillie and Mr Doyle for accompanying the children on their weekend!

#### Weekly Book Recommendation for Children...

This week's book recommendation has been chosen in light of yesterday being World Empathy Day. On this date, we encourage the children to focus on other people's feelings and perspectives, and put themselves in someone else's shoes. One book which does just that is The Good Turn by Sharna Jackson. Brimming with good-hearted characters, this pacy adventure focuses on how children can make a difference in the world. Josie, Margot and Wesley form a troop called the Copseys and set about challenging racism and social injustice in their community. Click here for further suggestions on books for all age groups which promote discussions on empathy: Empathy Lab Book Collection 2023.

Head over to our Twitter and Flickr feeds for more updates, news and photos!









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### End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 9th June 2023

#### Thank you!

I would like to take this brief opportunity to thank you all for your kind words, much-needed hugs and unwavering support before the half-term. It absolutely means the world!

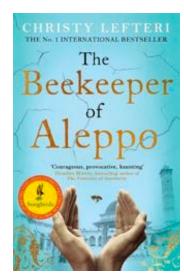
#### **Date Updates**

Please take the time to familiarise yourself with them.

- Our extra-curricular clubs re-start next week. For more information, please visit our school website: <a href="https://florencemelly.org/about-us/after-school-clubs/">https://florencemelly.org/about-us/after-school-clubs/</a>.
- End of school reports Friday 23rd June 2023 (apart from Year 6 as their SATs results are not released until 11/07/23).
- Telephone calls home for those parents/carers requesting a consultation after receiving the end of year report Monday 26th June 2023.
- Parent/carer bereavement support session with Sonia Cross (more details to follow) Thursday 29th June at 2:15pm (all parents/carers welcome).
- Year 6 prom and graduation Thursday 6th July 2023.



This week's book recommendation for adults has also been selected to complement World Empathy Day. The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri is both intensely heart-rending and utterly up-lifting. Nuri is a beekeeper; his wife, Afra, an artist. They live a simple life, rich in family and friends, in the beautiful Syrian city of Aleppo - until the unthinkable happens. As Nuri and Afra travel through a broken world, they must confront not only the pain of their own unspeakable loss, but dangers that would overwhelm the bravest of souls. Above all, they must journey to find each other again. Moving, powerful, compassionate and beautifully written, *The Beekeeper of Aleppo* is a testament to the triumph of the human spirit.



#### **Everton in the Community**

We are delighted to share that Everton in the Community will be delivering a free community yoga session in the People's Place (Spellow Lane, L4 4DF) starting next week (14th). The yoga session will take place from 11am - 12:00pm every Wednesday. See attached leaflet for more information.

Also, please find attached a copy of their 'Starting Well Programme', which includes all free sessions available for families. This includes their Stay & Play sessions, sing and sign classes and dad's groups.

If anybody is interested in attending any sessions, please contact: <a href="mailto:neighborhood@evertonfc.com">neighborhood@evertonfc.com</a> or call 0151 319 4018.

#### **School Meal Price Rise**

I have been informed by Chartwells, our school meal provider, that they have increased the price of a school meal to £3:04 per day (£15.20 per week) starting from September 2023.

Mr Leach Headteacher