

FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

IF YOU CAN DREAM IT, YOU CAN DO IT!



HERE'S TO A SUCCESSFUL 2024!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy New Year and wish you the very best for 2024. 2024 has already brought change for us at Florence Melly, as long-standing staff members have moved onto pastures new and we have appointed new additions to our Flo Melly family. We are very excited for what this year brings and I guarantee that your children will enjoy another action-packed, fun-filled year at our school - full of unforgettable learning experiences, enrichment trips and high-quality learning. We are all really looking forward to making this happen and I am sure that I can count on your support! As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do get in touch. We are always looking to improve our service and we value your input and feedback. Let's hope 2024 is a year to remember! Take care. Mr Leach

Safeguarding Update

As Mr Baillie has moved on to pastures new, Mr Leach will be overseeing safeguarding and behaviour in the interim as our Designated Safeguarding Lead. Whenever any staff member leaves, it provides an opportunity for the leadership team and Governors to evaluate what would be best for our children moving forward. We are very much in the middle of that process at the moment and I'll update you all once leaders have decided on our direction and what this will look like long term. In the meantime, if you have any concerns, please contact a member of our brilliant safeguarding team. Further information can be found here: https://florencemelly.org/about-us/safeguarding/.

Showing our Appreciation to our Core Values Award Winners!

Is there a better way to spend a Friday afternoon than a movie and pizza treat with Mr Leach? Well that's what our Core Values award winners got up to earlier today. We just love showing our pupils that we appreciate them and their achievements. Every week, we have an award winner from each class and we celebrate by providing a memorable experience! That is what we are all about!

Weekly Book Recommendation for Children...

This week's book recommendation, <u>Dream Big, Little Mole by Tom Percival</u> has been chosen to complement our DREAMS core values. The book tells the story of Little Mole who wishes that she could do what the other animals can do, flying high like birds, leaping like grasshoppers or climbing like squirrels. She is beginning to think that she isn't as good as the other animals but then Owl gives her some good advice.... "Just be who you are, THAT'S the key! Dream BIG, Little Mole. Be brilliant. Be YOU!" After having a long think, Little Mole realises that she does have a talent - DIGGING! While digging her tunnel, she causes a few problems along the way. She meets more animals who all have special gifts to give the world and it makes her doubt her own special skills. Just when you think that she is about to give up on her dream, something wonderful happens to brings all the animals together and shows everyone just how special she really is.

Head over to our <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Flickr</u> feeds for more updates, news and photos!



















IMPORTANT DATES!

18/01/24 Class Photograph Day

25/01/24 Upper KS2 Author Visit -Phil Earle

02/02/24Parent/carer
Mental Health
Support Team
Coffee Morning

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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Year 2 (96.8%)

Nursery (96.5%)

Year 5 (95.6%)

Year 6 (95.6%)

Year 4 (94.2%)

Reception (91.0%)

Year 1 (91.0%)

Year 3 (90.0%)

93.4% Whole-school attendance this week!

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End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 12th January 2024

We are moving to online payments for school meals

As of Tuesday 16th January 2024, parents/carers will be able to pay online for school meals using the Parent Pay website (<u>parentpay.com</u>). Log in details for all parents/carers will be sent out via email and your child will be given a paper copy of the letter to bring home.

Instructions on how to activate your account can be found at https://support.parentpaygroup.com/hc/en-gb/articles/4409658059153-Payer-quidance-How-to-activate-your-account

Instructions on how to pay for school meals can be found at https://support.parentpaygroup.com/hc/en-gb/articles/4409665323921-Payer-guidance-How-to-pay-for-items

Cash payments

If you would prefer to pay for your child's school meals using cash, you are welcome to do so and can either:

- Pay cash at any Pay Point shop using the barcode on the bottom of your log in details email or letter (click here to find your nearest Pay Point shop: https://consumer.paypoint.com)
- Pay cash at the school office

If you need any help at all logging in or making a payment, please don't hesitate to contact Miss Mollie Rainford (our School Business Manager) on 0151 226 1929 or schooladmin@fmp.liverpool.sch.uk

Children entitled to Universal Free School Meals (Reception / Year 1 / Year 2) and junior children entitled to free school meals will not receive a letter and are not required to pay.

Date reminders

- Friday 12th January 2024 Come and see our Reception (for September 2024 new starter parents).
- Wednesday 17th January 2024 Year 5 and 6 Girls football tournament at Anfield Sports Centre.
- Thursday 18th January 2024 Class Photographs.
- Thursday 25th January 2024 Upper KS2 Author Visit Phil Earle.
- Thursday 25th/Friday 26th January 2024 Parent/carer first aid course.
- Friday 2nd February 2024 Parent/carer Mental Health Support Team Coffee Morning.
- Monday 5th February 2024 Whole-school mental health celebration day Connect!

Clubmoor & Ellergreen Children Centre Timetable

Please click the following link to the electronic timetable for Clubmoor & Ellergreen Children Centre. This Sway link offers a more in-depth look at what each service is: https://sway.cloud.microsoft/sqFCmHZbkWqqZUzh?ref=Link.

If you require any further information, please contact Chris Cavanagh, the Centre Services Coordinator, on 0151 233 8500 or via email: chris.cavanagh@liverpool.gov.uk.

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

Mr Leach Headteacher