

## FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## **OUR CHARLIE LOWE SPORTS DAY!**

On Friday morning, as part of our whole-school celebration assembly, we revisited last week's amazing 'Charlie Lowe Sports Day' and revealed the DREAM team champions and individual award winners. What a magical day we had last week and the parent/carer turnout was spectacular! Your support is so greatly appreciated! The children had a blast and the assembly earlier today was the perfect way to celebrate their achievements. A special shout out to our first ever 'Charlie Lowe Sportsperson' award winners and to a special girl who won the 'design programme competition'.

#### **Reception Core Values Enrichment Trip to Croxteth Park**

Some lucky Reception pupils and staff were out and about this week having fun in the sun and exploring Croxteth Park as part of our strong enrichment programme. Showing our children that we appreciate them and the way that they conduct themselves around school is really important to us. Winning a core values award is a great way to top up their Dojo points too - 10 points for a core values award!

#### **Practising our Fire Evacuation and Lockdown Stay Safe Procedures**

Earlier this week, Mrs Sainsbury, our Designated Safeguarding Lead, organised two important drills for staff and pupils. The first, a fire evacuation, which was handled perfectly. The children efficiently and respectfully conducted themselves despite facing unknown challenges like cordoned off fire exits. The second drill was the first of three that will take place before the Summer holidays (soft, full and critical lockdowns). Earlier today, children and staff practised a 'soft' lockdown; a safety procedure similar to a fire drill that is used when there is a threat to the safety of our pupils, staff and others in the school, and when it's safer for everyone to remain in school rather than evacuate. WOW, how incredible the children were! We could not be prouder of them. Keeping them safe is absolutely our number one priority!

#### This Week's Book Recommendation...

This week's book recommendation is <u>No Dragons for Tea by Jean E. Pendzimol</u>. Whilst out one day, a little girl has the surprise of her life... she meets a real, live, fire-breathing dragon! Now this dragon is nothing to be afraid of - in fact, he's so friendly that she invites him home for tea. But their afternoon snack is suddenly interrupted when the dragon sneezes and sets the table ablaze. Luckily, the little girl knows just what to do, and she teaches her new friend to be fire smart, too. With its funny, rhyming verse and colourful illustrations, No Dragons for Tea shows children that learning about fire safety doesn't have to be scary. The story ends with 'The Dragon's Fire Safety Rhyme' - a fun and easy way to remember what to do in case of fire.









### IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

**17/06/24**Lifeguard Water
Safety Assembly

**19/06/24**New to Reception
Teddy Bear Picnic

25/06/24 Reception trip to Speke Hall

28/06/24
Rainbow Flag whole school drop down day

#### NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL MENU



Next week, our kitchen will be cooking the Week 3 dinner menu for the children.

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

## Attendance Matters at Florence Melly Community Primary School!



Be in school, on time, for 9:00am! That's when learning starts!

93.3% Whole-school attendance this year!

CLASSES ABOVE 97% THIS WEEK...

No classes above 97% 😥

100% ATTENDEES...

This week: 362 pupils

Year to date: 32 pupils



# PARENT/CARER UPDATE IF YOU CAN DREAM IT, YOU CAN DO IT!





#### End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 14th June 2024

#### Year 5 - PE - Returning the ball using a forehand groundstroke!

This week, our Year 5 pupils started their new PE topic on tennis. The children were introduced to 'net and wall' games and new Tier 3 vocabulary like; rally, racket, forehand, stance and court. The children honed their skills by practising how to control the ball through individual drills and partner work. The children progressed to having short rallies where they were required to quickly get themselves into a ready position, use controlled hits to return the ball and track the ball by moving their feet. They are already



looking forward to next week's lesson where they will look at backhand groundstroke. How exciting!

#### **Our Updated Online Safety Policy**

It is essential that our children are safeguarded from potentially harmful and inappropriate online material. In recent years we have witnessed a significant increase in the number of online safety incidents taking place at home and being brought into school. That is why we have revamped and updated our approach to educating the children about how to stay safe online. Our whole-school approach to online safety sets out to protect and educate both children and staff in their use of digital technologies alongside establishing mechanisms to identify, intervene in and escalate any concerns, recognising that many children and young people have unlimited and unrestricted access to the internet via mobile phone and other digital devices.

You can now read our draft Online Safety Policy which outlines our commitment to safeguard members of our school community online in accordance with statutory guidance and best practice. This policy is due to be ratified at the next FGB on 08/07/24. If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to ask: <a href="https://florencemelly.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Online-Safety-Policy-June-2024.pdf">https://florencemelly.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Online-Safety-Policy-June-2024.pdf</a>.

#### **Household Support Fund - Summer Vouchers**

In line with the Government extension of the Household Support Fund, Liverpool City Council will be issuing one more round of vouchers to parents/carers. We have been informed that you will receive  $1 \times £75$  for the Summer, per eligible child. There are no plans for LCC to send out any more vouchers after this term and any future vouchers would be dependent on LCC receiving more government funding. We will let you know when these vouchers are ready to be issued.

Have an amazing weekend and we look forward to seeing you all bright and early on Monday morning!

Mr Leach

If you haven't already, please give us a follow on X (formally Twitter). We regularly post about the memorable learning experiences we provide for our pupils, many of which do not make the cut for our weekly newsletter. You're missing out if you don't! Here is just a snapshot of what has been going on this week!















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