

Friday 27th September 2024

# FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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



## CROSS COUNTRY ROAD RELAY RACE!

Our budding athletes braved the cold weather and rain on Wednesday night, as they represented our school at Wavertree as part of the cross country road relay race. Three teams competed, with each child running over 1km in dreadful conditions! The children were incredible and speedily raced around the track, cheering each other on! We could not be prouder of them and the determination they showed! We just love it when our children live out our school's core values! Well done to those involved!

### Enrichment Trip in honour of World Car Free Day!

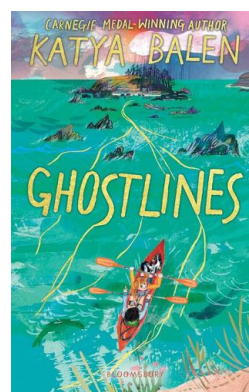
Year 6 pupils were treated to an exciting enrichment trip this week in honour of World Car Free Day. But that's not the whole reason why; Mr Doyle carefully planned the trip to also help our pupils with their transition to secondary school - a double whammy! Pupils donned their hi-vis vests and jumped onto number 19 for a trip from Walton Hall Sports Centre to the Showcase Cinema. For many, it was their first experience of using public transport and a valuable lesson as they prepare for life beyond Florence Melly.

### Cookery Celebration Events - Bringing SMSC Alive!

At Flo Melly, we enrich our curriculum offer by providing exciting cookery lessons to supplement and support pupils' learning. Our friends at Apple of my Eye work closely with our Curriculum and Subject Leaders to make meaningful links to other areas of the curriculum. This week, Year 5 were treated to a Greek food tasting session where they tried feta, olives, pitta and pomegranate! Providing unforgettable learning experiences is what we are all about at Flo Melly!

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

This week's book recommendation is [Ghostlines by Katya Balen](#); a perfect read for more confident readers in KS2. Tilda lives on the beautiful island of Ayrie. Everyone there knows each other, and it is wild and beautiful and home...even if her brother is no longer there. When new boy Albie arrives to live on the island, Tilda wants to show him the secret places and the seals and puffins. But he's not interested. So she promises to take him to a forbidden, haunted island. Together, they make a dangerous trip over the sea - and delve into the past. Beautifully written, this story is about family and belonging and community. It explores how you can feel lonely as a newcomer in a place with friendship networks already established and how tough it is to accept that some things change, even when you don't want them to. There's a gentle message of acceptance, demonstrating that it's worth actually listening to friends and family members when they try to tell you how they're feeling even when you can't always make people do what you want them to do.



## IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

**30/09/24**

Y4, 5 & 6 Author Visit  
Justyn Edwards

**03/10/24**

Craig Bradley (Poet) in  
school for National Poetry  
Day

**10/10/24**

Enrichment trip to the  
Slave Museum

**11/10/24**

Parent/Carer Coffee  
Morning

## NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL MENU

Next week, our kitchen will be cooking the Week 1 dinner menu for the children.

## Attendance Matters at Florence Melly Community Primary School!



**95.5%**

Whole-school  
attendance this year!

**CLASSES ABOVE 97% THIS WEEK...**

Nursery, 1B, 3K, 6B and 6W 🍌

**100% ATTENDEES...**

This week: 371 pupils  
Year to date: 292 pupils

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

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## End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 27th September 2024



### SPOTLIGHT ON CURRICULUM

What an exciting time to be at Flo Melly as we have recently added forest school into our outdoor education curriculum. Forest School is a child-centred, inspirational learning process, that offers opportunities for holistic growth through sessions based in a natural setting. It develops confidence and self-esteem through learner inspired, hands-on experiences. It has been clear that our children absolutely love the opportunity to get outside and explore our forest school area. This week, children have taken part in lessons that involve sitting around Flo Melly's camp fire, cutting logs to make wall plaques, making 'stew' in the mud kitchen and practising knot tying skills. We can't wait to see what they all get up to over the next couple of weeks. If possible, please give your child old clothes to bring in so that they can fully immerse themselves into the experience.



### Updated 2024/25 Year Group Curriculum Maps

We have spent time updating the year group specific curriculum maps. These outline what your child will be learning this year. We have produced handy, printable documents - split into half-terms, so they are accessible and easy to read. If you have any questions about any part of our curriculum offer, please do not hesitate to ask. Your child's class teacher will be able to help or maybe you require the assistance of Miss Bear, our Curriculum Lead. You can email her at: [n.bear@fmp.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:n.bear@fmp.liverpool.sch.uk)

We are still working on the EYFS versions, these will be published shortly and posted out as soon as they have been finalised.

[Year 1 Curriculum Maps](#)

[Year 2 Curriculum Maps](#)

[Year 3 Curriculum Maps](#)

[Year 4 Curriculum Maps](#)

[Year 5 Curriculum Maps](#)

[Year 6 Curriculum Maps](#)

### Please Complete and Return your Universal Consent Form!

Our Universal Consent Form was sent home to parents/carers last week via email and Dojo, please take some time to complete this form - it's an important component of how we ensure that our children are kept safe. Thank you.

### Online Safety Update - Wake Up Wednesday!

With around 1.6 million teenage users, Instagram has become a favourite hangout for many youngsters online. Despite having so many young members on the platform, it poses its fair share of risks. Check out this week's Wake Up Wednesday online safety resource - packed full of useful hints and tips to help keep your child safe online: <https://florencemelly.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/instagram.pdf>.

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

Mr Leach  
Headteacher

