

FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER IF YOU CAN DREAM IT, YOU CAN DO IT!



AND THE WINNING DREAM TEAM IS...

Earlier this term, as part of our behaviour policy, we introduced our new DREAM Team initiative. This is where the children work collaboratively to earn tokens for their DREAM Team. At the end of every half term, these tokens are counted by the Team Captains and the winning team announced. They receive an extra special reward. In today's celebration assembly, we announced the winner of the reward for last half-term; that team was TEAM APPRECIATION with a whopping 370 tokens! Check back soon to see what reward they chose! Who will win this half-term?

Thank You! Zoe's Place Fundraiser!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our parents/carers for their contributions to our recent fundraiser for the amazing 'Zoe's Place'. We raised £739.66 for this incredible cause. What a great way to demonstrate our core value of appreciation in real life! Well done to everyone who got involved!

Get Ready for BBC Children in Need 2024

Next Friday (15th November) marks Children in Need and we will be fundraising for this important cause. We are encouraging the children to come into school dressed in spots, something yellow or Pudsey related attire to celebrate the event. Pupils can hand in a ± 1 cash donation to their class teacher or the school office, or alternatively, donations can be made via Parent Pay. The children will explore why events like this play an important role in society and put our empowerment and appreciation core values into real life practice.

Enrichment trip to the Liverpool Ganesh Temple - Festivals of Light!

As part of our strong Cultural Capital curriculum, pupils were treated to a visit to the Ganesh Temple to enhance their knowledge and understanding of festivals of light - which is our whole-school SMSC theme this week. Pupils celebrated Diwali and explored, first hand, another faith and their beliefs. They were very respectful and immensely engaged. Creating memorable learning experiences is what we are about at our school!

This Week's Book Recommendation...

This week's book recommendation is Little Glow, written by Katie Sahota. From the window of a cosy house in a seaside town, a lonely little candle looks out onto the world. Throughout the year, the small flame watches on as families use different kinds of light to celebrate Lunar New Year, Diwali, Hanukkah, Ramadan, Halloween and Christmas. Little Glow is amazed by the bolder brighter lights and yearns to light up the skyline in the same way. This glimmering, gorgeous book is a gentle story that showcases the amazing celebrations of light across different communities. It is truly a diverse and inclusive book. As well as highlighting many important religious and culture events, it also includes mixed race families, same-sex parents, children with disabilities, and a range of body sizes. Perfect for winter night reading, the book's message of love and togetherness is relevant all year long.

Check out our social media to see what we've been up to this week!



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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

REAMS TEAMS

ittle Glow

11/11/24 EYFS Open Evening

11/11/24 No Outsiders and Zones of Regulation Workshops in School

> **13/11/24** Enrichment trip to the Recycling Centre

14/11/24 Enrichment trip to the Anglican Cathedral

> **15/11/24** Children in Need Celebrations

15/11/24 Sleep Workshops for Parents/Carers

26/11/24 Lancashire Library Poetry Sessions for EYFS & KS1

26/11/24 Pupil Librarian Training Session

NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL MENU



After the half-term, our kitchen will be cooking the Week 2 dinner menu for the children.



FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT/CARER UPDATE IF YOU CAN DREAM IT, YOU CAN DO IT!





SPOTLIGHT ON CURRICULUM

Mr Leach Headteacher

End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 8th November 2024

Art and Design - Poppy Wreaths to Celebrate Remembrance!

Liverpool City Council's annual remembrance service will take place on Sunday 10th November on the plateau at St George's Hall and as part of the service, a large poppy will be displayed at the Bombed Out Church. Organisers have contacted our school and pupils from our Art Club have made their own wreaths using recycled bottles and other craft materials. Mrs Doyle, our fabulous Art Lead, organised for parents/carers to come into school to work in collaboration with their children. Their creations will be proudly displayed at the Bombed Out Church; what a beautiful way to remember those who have fallen. We have some wonderfully talented artists at our school and this was a great way for them to showcase their skills!

Online Safety Newsletter

This month's Online Safety Newsletter looks specifically at social media. Interested? Check it out here: <u>https://florencemelly.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Online-Safety-Newsletter-Primary-November-2024_Florence-Melly_01-11-2024.pdf</u>.

Wake Up Wednesday - Encouraging Children to Choose Respect

This week's Wake Up Wednesday resource is a pertinent one. Not only is respect one of our core values but it was also the focus of Mr Leach's cultural capital assemblies on Tuesday morning.

Even among adults, it can be all too common to see disputes and differing opinions grow extremely heated, which is rarely helpful to anyone. When emotions run high, it can be easy to forget yourself and perhaps even say something you didn't mean, hurting feelings or escalating the situation further. For children, it's just as important to avoid this kind of behaviour whenever possible; without the necessary guidance, however, they could struggle to identify any disrespectful behaviour, let alone recognise what they can do differently. This guide offers you expert advice on teaching children and young people to choose respect when interacting with their peers, helping to create an environment based on empathy and tolerance.

Local Offer Live Event - Save the Date!

Join LivPaC (Liverpool Parent Carer Forum) and Liverpool City Council on Wednesday 18th June - 12:00pm - 6:00pm for an event designed to support families of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) by bringing together a wealth of resources and services under one roof. Every year the event provides an incredible opportunity to discover services tailored to assist young people with SEND in their transition to adulthood. The Local Offer Live Event will feature information on community activities, training programs, employment support, and independent living skills. It's also an ideal space to connect with other families, people facing similar challenges, and professionals from the education, social care, and health sectors, fostering a supportive network for navigating your child's journey. For more information, please contact Mrs O'Keefe.

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









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IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, EVERY DAY!

WEEKLY PRIZE WINNERS! Every week we announce five attendance prize

winners in our celebration assembly.





Every week, the class with the best weekly attendance whole-School wins the famous 'Flo Melly Attendance Trophy'.

DREAM TEAM DAILY WINNERS!



GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE!

At the end of every week we celebrate those classes who finish in gold, silver and bronze place. These classes receive a certificate to hang proudly in their classrooms! The winning class also get to keep the famous Flo Melly trophy in their classroom for the week.

