

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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### THE LAST NEWSLETTER OF THE YEAR!

That's a wrap everyone! On behalf of our Governing Body and the amazing staff team, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your unwavering support this year. I am so proud to lead such a magnificent school in the heart of such a supportive community. It brings me great pleasure leading the Flo Melly family - there is no place I'd rather be! This year was a particularly successful one at our school as we welcomed back Ofsted, the school inspectors, for the first time since our outstanding inspection in 2019. So much has happened since then, including a worldwide pandemic, making the achievement of retaining that outcome even more special. Back to back brilliant inspections confirmed that our school continues to be a wonderful place to learn and work. As this year draws to a close, it is important to reflect on our achievement and what we can do even better next year - and rest assured, we are always looking to improve. We never rest on our laurels and never leave anything to chance. We are so invested into ensuring that our children receive the best possible education and fulfil their DREAMS. Enjoy the Summer break and see you all, refreshed and recharged, on Tuesday 2nd September!



This week, we celebrated the achievements of our current Year 6 as they approach their final days at our school. In the morning, the class of 2025 attended our traditional cap and gown ceremony, and had the honour of 'graduating' Year 6. With a hall packed to the brim, the children spoke about their achievements and memories over their last seven years with us. There wasn't a dry eye in the house (not even with our staff), when the baby pictures came out! The children were exceptional and we are very proud of what they have accomplished! As the evening drew in, it was party time as they were whisked off to the Hay Loft at Allerton Manor! The children enjoyed hours of laughs and dancing in the beautiful venue; it was certainly a night to remember and the perfect way to mark the end of their time at our school. More photos of the day can be found on our school photo storage site: Flickr feed.

#### **Awesome Attendance Trip to Blackpool Zoo!**

What a brilliant time our attendance superstars had recently, as they were treated to a wonderful day out at Blackpool Zoo. Twenty-two children from across the school have managed the amazing achievement of attending school every single day this year - 100% attendance - and we certainly think that that needed to be rewarded! Rewarding phenomenal attendance is just one way that we encourage our pupils to attend school, on time, every day!

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

This week's book recommendation is <u>Grandad's Secret Giant written by David Litchfield</u>. Billy doesn't believe his Grandad when he tells him there's a giant living in his town doing good deeds for everyone. He knows that a giant is too big to keep himself hidden. And why would he WANT to keep himself a secret? But as time goes on, Billy learns that some secrets are too BIG to stay secret for long... This delightful and heartfelt GIANT story of belonging and friendship teaches the importance of tolerance and acceptance to young children.











#### IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

14/07/25 Nest Trip to Walton Hall Gardens

14/07/25 Whole-School Celebration Assembly

15/07/25 Year 2 Trip to Imagine

15/07/25 Year 6 Trip to West Kirby with Mr Leach

16/07/25 Year 1 Trip to Imagine

17/07/25 Party Day (non-school uniform)

**18/07/25** Year 6 Guard of Honour (1:15pm)

**18/07/25**Last Day of Term
(1:30pm finish/non-school uniform)







#### NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL MENU



Next week, our brilliant dinner staff team will be serving the 'Week 1' menu! Click the image above for more details!



#### End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 11th July 2025

For this week's spotlight on curriculum, we celebrated our Design Technology Superstars with a fantastic pizza party! The children enjoyed listening to lively Italian music as they made their very own delicious pizzas from scratch. They rolled dough skilfully and chose from a variety of tasty toppings. The children definitely looked the part in their chef hats and used a pizza oven to cook their creations, which was very exciting. The children's big smiles showed us that they had the best time EVER! Everyone loved their homemade, yummy pizzas and some even took some home to share with their families. Well done to all our DT Superstars!

#### Wake Up Wednesday - What Parents & Educators Need to Know about AI-enabled Scams

This online safety guide explores how AI is being exploited in certain online scams, revealing the risks for young people - everything from phishing and sextortion to deepfake fraud and voice cloning: <a href="https://florencemelly.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/ai-enabled-scams.pdf">https://florencemelly.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/ai-enabled-scams.pdf</a>. AI isn't just transforming the way we learn and work, it's also reshaping the tactics scammers use online. From generating convincing phishing emails to fabricating influencer videos, criminals are using AI to make their scams more convincing than ever. Young people, who often embrace new tech quickly, can be especially vulnerable. This guide highlights several AI-enabled dangers – including romance scams, deepfake audio and video impersonations, and fake job offers – and explains how to spot and report them. With clear tips for verifying content, thinking critically, and using trusted platforms, it's essential reading for parents and educators to help young people stay one step ahead of the scammers.

#### Online Safety Newsletter

Please find attached a copy of our last online safety newsletter of the academic year. It is packed full of information and tips around a range of different online themes, issues and apps. Click here to find out more: Online Safety Newsletter - July 2025.

#### School Theme Lunch - Class of '25

On Thursday 17th July, we will be holding a themed lunch celebrating the 'Class of 2025'. This is a normal school day but the lunch offer will be themed. If you would like a school lunch on this day, please pay on ParentPay. For the menu, please visit Class Dojo.

#### **Toys in School**

Just a little reminder that the children should not be coming into school with toys or any other valuable items. Unfortunately, we have seen a large increase in the number of children bringing toys into school recently and this has caused a number of issues, including children becoming upset, creating distractions from learning, disagreements over swapping and trading playing cards and toys (which the children later regret) and unkind actions taking place between the children - which could've been avoided if they were not brought into school. The children have been told about this, and we kindly ask for your support in ensuring that no toys are brought into school - this includes them being kept in their bags. Thank you for your support and understanding in helping us maintain a happy and focused learning environment for all our children. With only two weeks left until the end of the academic year, we want to ensure that it ends on a positive note for everyone.

#### **The Summer HAF Programme**

If you missed it previously, the Summer HAF programme starts on the 21st July and there are lots of great activities happening across the city during the school holidays. Children and young people, from reception to age 16, who are eligible for benefits related free school meals, will be able to access hundreds of activities including specific provision available for children with SEND or additional needs, all at **no cost**. Furthermore, a meal is included for every child attending!There is a central booking system to make it easier for you to find and book the activities. You can find out where your nearest scheme is by clicking on this link: <a href="https://eequ.org/liverpoolhaf">https://eequ.org/liverpoolhaf</a>.

#### **Bikes and Scooters on the Yard**

This is just a little reminder that the children should not be riding their bikes and scooters on the school yard at the start, or the end, of the school day. The playground is a safer place when the children push their bikes and scooters, rather than rides them. Thank you for your support with this.

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you all bright and early on Monday morning. One more action-packed and fun-filled week to go!

Mr Leach Headteacher









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



### IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, EVERY DAY!

#### This week's key attendance message... ONE LAST PUSH!

A HUGE WELL DONE to everyone for getting involved in our recent Studybugs sign-up drive and other attendance initiatives we have organised. We now have 67% of all parents/carers signed up to the platform - which is great but we would like you all to be signed up. If you haven't already, please visit this website and get yourself registered: <a href="https://studybugs.com/about/parents">https://studybugs.com/about/parents</a>. Our competition for Otterspool passes is still running - all you have to do is send your child into school every day to be in with a chance of grabbing that prize (one per class). Mrs Connolly from the School Office will be contacting winners of these passes next week. In addition to this, we have arranged a further prize for next week. Every child who attends school every day next week will be entered into a draw to win a £100 Just Eat voucher! All you need to do is to be... IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, EVERY DAY next week! Good luck!

### WEEKLY PRIZE WINNERS!











Each week we announce five attendance prize winners in our celebration assembly.

### CLASS ATTENDANCE TROPHY WINNERS!



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

WHOLE-SCHOOL ATTENDANCE SO FAR THIS YEAR!

93.4%

WHOLE-SCHOOL PERSISTENT ABSENTEEISM

18.0%

### DREAM TEAM DAILY WINNERS!

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Every day, we see which DREAM team had the best attendance. The winning team receives 10 tokens!

NUMBER OF 100% ATTENDEES THIS WEEK

345

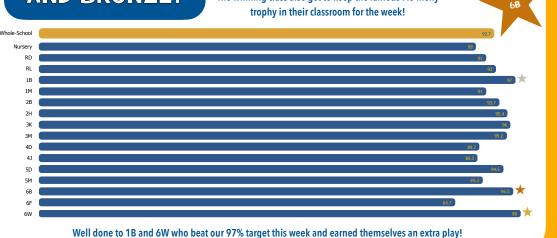
NUMBER OF 100% ATTENDEES THIS YEAR

21

## 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!



### ATTENDANCE MATTERS LOST DAYS = LOST LEARNING!

Think 90% attendance is good? Think again!
This is what lost days really looks like! Now
do you think 90% attendance is good?

## IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, EVERY DAY!

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	Days missed	Lessons missed	School weeks missed
95%	10 days missed	40 lessons missed	2 weeks missed
90%	19 days	76 lessons	3 weeks and 4 days
	missed	missed	missed
85%	28 days	112 lessons	5 weeks and 3 days
	missed	missed	missed
80%	37 days	148 lessons	7 weeks and 2 days
	missed	missed	missed