



## MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK 2026!

This week, we marked Mental Health Awareness Week as a school community, recognising and supporting this important cause. The theme was: "Take ACTION - for YOURSELF, for SOMEONE ELSE, for ALL OF US!" Throughout the week, children took part in activities to support their wellbeing, including mindfulness, movement and reflection, both inside and outside the classroom. Staff used a range of resources to help children consider positive actions they could take to support their own mental health and that of others. Today, children and staff wore green to show support and raise awareness. The afternoon was dedicated to themed activities, encouraging everyone to take small, meaningful actions. It was a valuable opportunity to reflect on how we can continue to look after ourselves and each other every day at Flo Melly. A thank you to Miss Batt, our Mental Health Lead for organising the day!



### IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

**18/05/26**  
New Reception Children Stay and Play Session

**18/05/26**  
Year 3/4 Playground Football Competition

**18/05/26**  
Year 6 Breakfast with a Book Event

**20/05/26**  
Nest Enrichment Trip to the World Museum

**22/05/26**  
Year 6 Residential to Robinwood

**22/05/26**  
Children finish for Half-Term

**01/06/26**  
INSET Day (school is closed)

**02/06/26**  
Children return after the Half-Term

**17/07/26**  
School closes at 1:30pm for the Summer

### Penalty Heartbreak but Pride in Abundance – Our Girls Shine!

A huge well done to our girls' football team for their fantastic performance in the recent tournament, organised by LFC. They represented Florence Melly brilliantly, truly epitomising our DREAMS values. The team were outstanding, winning every group game to finish top of their group. They reached the final, where they were narrowly defeated on penalties - a cruel way to lose after such an incredible run. We were especially proud to receive a special shout-out from the organisers, who praised how exceptional our girls were. To top it off, one of our players was awarded Player of the Tournament - a fantastic achievement!

### Year 6 SATs - We are so Proud!

Congratulations to our incredible Year 6 children for completing their SATs this week. They approached every test with maturity, resilience and determination, truly embodying our DREAMS values throughout. We are so proud of their positive attitudes and the effort they showed - the children should all feel incredibly proud of themselves! To celebrate the end of such a hard-working week, the children enjoyed a well-deserved pizza party and a visit from the ice-cream van, bringing lots of smiles and a chance to relax together. A heartfelt thank you also goes to our wonderful staff team, who have worked tirelessly to support, guide and encourage the children every step of the way. Their dedication ensured that every child had the very best opportunity to succeed.

### Year 1 Blast Off to the World Museum!

Year 1 had a fantastic day out at the World Museum this week, bringing their learning to life in the most exciting way! The visit linked beautifully to their work in English, where they have been exploring the story *Here We Are* by Oliver Jeffers - learning all about space and our solar system. The children spent the morning exploring the incredible Space floor, discovering more about planets, stars and astronauts. There was even time to visit other parts of the museum too - making it a truly memorable experience, all before heading back to school in time for lunch! They were a credit to the school throughout, showing curiosity, enthusiasm and excellent behaviour. What an incredible day for our Year 1 explorers!

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

This week's book recommendation is [Looshkin: The Adventures of the Maddest Cat in the World](#) by Jamie Smart - a gloriously chaotic comic packed with wild energy and laugh-out-loud moments. Looshkin, a small blue cat with absolutely no sense of limits, hurtles from exploding gadgets to bizarre inventions to accidental time-travel, leaving a trail of brilliantly bonkers mayhem in his wake. Smart's bold, expressive artwork and rapid-fire jokes make every page burst with life, and the long-suffering characters around Looshkin only make the chaos funnier. A high-energy, wonderfully silly read that's perfect for young readers who love comics full of mischief, colour and unstoppable giggles.



### OUR DINNER MENU

Check out next week's lunch offering (Week 3) Click on the image below for more details.





## SPOTLIGHT ON CURRICULUM

# End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 15th May 2026

### This week's spotlight... chick, chick, chick, chick, chicken...lay a little egg for me!

A wave of excitement swept through Florence Melly last week as the school welcomed a very special group of tiny visitors - a clutch of newly hatched chicks. Their arrival instantly filled the classrooms with curiosity and joy, as children gathered eagerly to watch the fluffy newcomers explore, chirp, and settle into their new surroundings. From the moment the chicks arrived, pupils were completely captivated - they observed their tiny movements, asked thoughtful questions and showed incredible gentleness when handling them. Teachers used the experience to spark discussions about life cycles, growth and caring for living things. This enjoyable experience helped the children understand what living creatures need to stay safe and healthy.



### As part of our Cultural Capital curriculum, next week, our children will...

- Explore Local Community and History Month where they will celebrate our topic 'In My Liverpool Home' in their Cultural Capital Lessons. They will receive informative assemblies celebrating our great city and read the book [Liverpool Baby by Sophie Green](#) to immerse them in the subject matter.
- Enjoy an enrichment trip to the World Museum in celebration of International Museum Day which takes on 18/05/26.
- Participate in a cookery event with our friends at Apple of my Eye. The 'Breakfast with a Book' event, for Year 6 pupils and parents, is the perfect opportunity to celebrate all of the children's hard work and enjoy a calm, positive start to the day together - with a bacon butty of course.



### Working Together to Keep Our Children Safe - Tackling Knife Crime!

As part of Knife Crime Awareness Week, we are continuing our commitment to tackling knife crime, which we know is an issue within our local area. We are proud of the proactive steps our school community takes to educate and protect our children — including our involvement in the kNOwknifecrime relay, which helped raise awareness and start important conversations. We are planning an even bigger and better event next time. A free online webinar for parents and carers will take place on Thursday 21 May, 5–6pm, offering guidance on understanding knife crime and how to support young people - book here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1989221539172?aff=oddtcreator>.



### Free TikTok Tools Explainer For Parents - and what new research says about online safety tools

New research shows a sharp rise in the number of available online safety tools (now 747 across platforms), to help parents/carers keep their children safe online. With this many available, this can feel overwhelming for families, and concerns about children's online safety remain high; while tools are improving and easier to use, they are only part of the solution. To support families, we're sharing a short, parent-friendly TikTok video explaining how to set up safety controls - helping you start conversations and keep children safe online: [How to Setup TikTok Family Pairing](#).



### Bienvenidos, Señora Rojas!

We are delighted to welcome Señora Rojas to the Flo Melly family as our new Spanish teacher. Señora Rojas brings a wealth of experience, expertise and passion for languages, which will enrich our curriculum and inspire a love of learning across the school. In addition to delivering engaging and high-quality Spanish lessons, Señora Rojas will also be leading our library sessions, helping to foster a joy of reading, and supporting teaching and learning in Year 1. Her broad skill set and enthusiasm for education will make a wonderful contribution to school life. We are thrilled to have Señora Rojas join our team and look forward to the positive impact she will have on our children, staff and wider school community.



### Welcoming Mr Docherty - Supporting Every Child to be In School, On Time, Every Day!

We are pleased to introduce our new Education Welfare Officer (EWO), Mr Docherty, who will be working closely with our school community. Mr Docherty will be in school every other Thursday, supporting our staff, children, and families to promote and improve school attendance. The role of an EWO is to work in partnership with schools and families to ensure that every child attends school regularly and on time, giving them the best possible chance to succeed. This includes offering guidance, identifying barriers to attendance, and providing practical support to help overcome any challenges. Mr Docherty is committed to building positive relationships with families and helping all our pupils develop strong attendance habits. We look forward to working with him to support the wellbeing and success of every child.



We hope you enjoy a restful and well-deserved weekend, taking time to relax, recharge and enjoy being together - especially with the brighter, longer days ahead. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for another positive week of learning at Flo Melly.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support in promoting strong attendance. Your commitment makes a real difference to your child's progress and wellbeing, and we truly appreciate it. With just **one week to go in our 10-day attendance challenge**, let's make one final push together — every day really does count!

Mr Leach  
Headteacher



## IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, EVERY DAY!

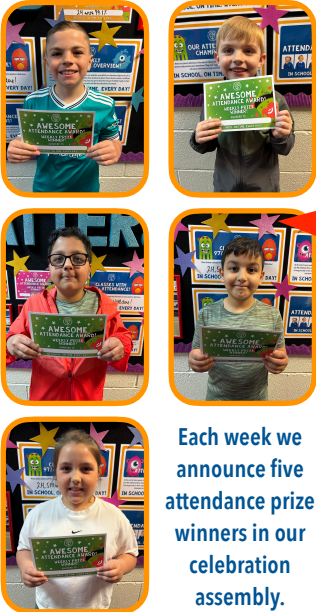
**This week's key attendance message...**

We're now halfway through the Flo Melly 10-Day Attendance Challenge - and the excitement is building! A huge well done to all the children who have been **IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, EVERY DAY** so far. Your commitment, energy and brilliant attitudes are shining through, and we're so proud of the effort everyone is putting in. With just 5 school days to go, the finish line is in sight - and so are those fantastic prizes! Remember, every child who completes all 10 days will earn a special Attendance Challenge Certificate and Dojo points and will be entered into our prize draw for one of four £50 vouchers for Hollywood Bowl, Sector 8, Showcase Cinema or Flip Out. Let's keep the momentum going, support one another, and make sure every child crosses that 10-day mark with pride.  
*We can do this – IN SCHOOL. ON TIME. EVERY DAY.*

**MOMENTS MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE COUNTS.**



### WEEKLY PRIZE WINNERS!



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

### CLASS ATTENDANCE TROPHY WINNERS!



6B

99.6%

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

### DREAM TEAM DAILY WINNERS!

TEAM MOTIVATION

TEAM RESPECT

TEAM MOTIVATION

TEAM APPRECIATION

TEAM MOTIVATION

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

WHOLE-SCHOOL ATTENDANCE SO FAR THIS YEAR

92.9%

WHOLE-SCHOOL PERSISTENT ABSENTEEISM

20.3%

NUMBER OF 100% ATTENDEES THIS WEEK

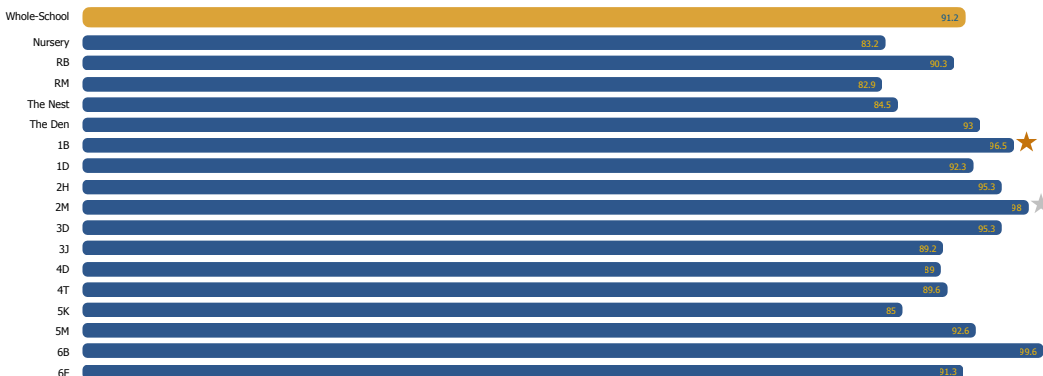
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NUMBER OF 100% ATTENDEES THIS YEAR

36

### 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!



Congratulations to 6B and 2M who beat our 97% target this week! Well done - extra playtime for you!

### 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!

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