



# FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Keeping you up to date what's going on!



### A huge THANK YOU from the Headteacher!

We would like to thank parents/carers for their support regarding us having to close the school yesterday because of the snow. We really appreciate how understanding you were!



### Calling all Year 1 parents!

Have you got a book you have read over and over again? If so, why not come and use our free book swap located outside of the Year 1. Add an old book and take a new one. Why not tweet a picture of your child reading one of the book swap books at home!

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### Attendance Matters at Florence Melly Community Primary School

A HUGE well done and thank you to those pupils who attended school every day this week (obviously part from the snow day on Thursday). Lets see if you can keep it up until the end of the term. Our whole-school attendance figure for this week was 95.6% and the class with the best attendance was 2M with 99.1%. Lets see if a class can beat 2M next week!



### A Visit from Renaissance Learning

Lauren Shapiro from Renaissance Learning visited our school this week after Florence Melly was featured in a National Report on Reading. Lauren saw how we are instilling a love of reading and building reading stamina using Accelerated Reader. She questioned our pupils on their achievements and progress and they demonstrated how reading matters in our school. She was impressed with the number and quality of books in our school library and how it is used to promote a culture of reading for pleasure to help our pupils succeed and accelerate their learning.

### Baking Scones in Year 4 as part of Design Technology

It smelt delicious in Year 4 this week. Freshly made scones and jam were on the menu as part of their design technology topic. The children worked with Michaela from 'Apple of my Eye' who comes into school to teach them all about cookery. The children thoroughly enjoyed baking and the jam was a massive hit particularly with Mr Derbyshire, who couldn't get enough! One child commented: "I didn't realise how easy it was to bake scones. Maybe I could bake some at home for my mum for Mother's Day".



### Year 1 Baking Gingerbread Men with Chartwells.

This week, Year 1 have been working with Stuart from Chartwells. They have been looking at the story "The Gingerbread Man" and discussing the different sections of the story. They predicted what might happen and then made their very own gingerbread men and decorated them. This was to help improve their fine manipulative skills by using a range of small tools. What fun!



### Year 6 Football Match at Broadgreen.

Our Year 6 boys football team played against Gwladys Street Primary School on Wednesday 7th March at Broadgreen High. The boys performed brilliantly, resulting in a 9-2 victory which included a lovely Barcelona-style move finished off with a superb diving header. We are very proud of the boys and they certainly demonstrated our core values of determination, motivation and resilience. Well done to all involved.



### A Visit to the Diamond Way Buddhist Centre.

A group of our children had the opportunity to broaden their knowledge and understanding of other faiths and religions this week. The children visited a Buddhist Centre (Diamond Way Buddhist Centre) located here in Liverpool. The afternoon started with finding out what our children already knew about Buddhism, then they were taught about the history of the religion. The pupils also found out about the importance of meditation and had the opportunity to have a go at meditating themselves. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience. One child commented: 'I really enjoyed meditating. It was relaxing and helped clear my mind'.

## KEY DATES

**12 Mar**  
British Science Week

**14 Mar**  
Year 2 trip to Colomendy

**21 Mar**  
World Down Syndrome Day

**23 Mar**  
Children finish for the Easter Holiday

Check out the calendar section of the school website for events up until the Easter holidays.