

FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

IF YOU CAN DREAM IT, YOU CAN DO IT!



SUPPORTING TRANSITION WITH KIND!

This week, a group of Year 6 children have participated in the Kind Project, led by the founder Stephen Yip. These pupils will be will be heading off to secondary school soon and the KIND project is designed to help build their confidence in preparation for this significant event in their lives. The children have been enjoying a variety of games, activities and challenges at KIND HQ in the city centre. They are whisked off each morning and come back at the end of the school day with huge smiles on their faces. The project will be repeated in the coming weeks, with more and more children from Year 6 attending. What better way to prepare them for life beyond Florence Melly. For more information, please visit: https://kind.org.uk and check out our Twitter feed which is packed full of photographs capturing the wonderful activities on offer.



On Wednesday, a group of KS2 children visited Birkenhead Park with Mr Doyle and Mrs O'Keefe to engage in a well-being walk. The children and adults strolled around the beautiful park, taking in the scenery and being at one with nature. This gave everyone time to reflect and talk openly in a small group setting. As it was such a sunny afternoon, we finished off with lolly ices and some time in the playground. Positive mental health and giving our children the opportunity to open up is extremely important so we prioritise it at Flo Melly!

Specialist Art and Design Workshops at Hillside Secondary School

Following on from the work we did earlier in the year as part of World Book Day, our Year 6 children have continued to explore the book Bottled by Tom and Joe Brassington (a picture book to help children share their feelings). They have recently been invited to Hillside High School to create art work inspired by the book. It is our intention to create a large display in our dinner hall celebrating the pupils' art work and to promote positive mental health. Check back later for an exciting update about an art exhibition for parent/carers to enjoy the pupils' work! Mrs Doyle, our Art and Design Subject Lead, is really putting the subject on the map at our school. At Flo Melly we are ARTISTS!

Weekly Book Recommendation for Children...

This week's book recommendation for children is <u>The Boy Who Made the World Disappear</u> by Ben Miller. Enter a world of wonder with an instant classic from comedian, actor and bestselling children's author, Ben Miller. Harrison tries his best to be good. He doesn't steal, he always shares with his sister and he never cheats at board games, but Harrison also has a BIG flaw...He can't control his temper! So when he's given a black hole instead of a balloon at a party, Harrison jumps at the chance to get rid of *everything* that makes him cross. But when it's not just things he hates that are disappearing into the black hole but things he loves, too, Harrison starts to realise that sometimes you should be careful what you wish for...This out-of-this-world adventure story about twists of fate, time travel and troublesome black holes makes the perfect bedtime read for KS2 children.

Head over to our <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Flickr</u> feeds for more updates, news and photos!

















Ben Miller

IMPORTANT DATES!

19/06/23 Reception and KS1 iSing event at the Philharmonic

20/06/23 KS2 iSing event at the Philharmonic

23/06/23 School reports sent home to parent/carers

For more important dates, please visit the 'parent zone' of our school website!

ATTENDANCE MATTER**S**!

Year 1 (94.2%)

Year 3 (94.2%)

Year 5 (92.3%)

Year 4 (91.6%)

Year 2 (91.3%)

Year 6 (91.3%)

Reception (90.0%)

Nursery (87.5%)

91.9% Whole-school attendance this week!

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End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 16th June 2023

School Reports and Follow Up Teacher Calls

Don't forget, the pupils' end of year reports will be sent home, via email and a paper copy, on Friday 23rd June 2023. Year 6 reports will be sent home a little later, after they receive their SATs results on July 11th. You will be able to make a telephone appointment to speak to your child's class teacher following receipt of the report.

HAF Holiday Clubs

The Summer HAF programme starts on the 24th July and there are lots of great activities happening over the school holidays. Children and young people, from reception to age 16 (including Year 11 leavers), who are eligible for benefits related free school meals, will be able to access hundreds of activities throughout the summer holidays including specific provision available for children with SEND or additional needs, at no cost. There's a great range of activities across the city and every day there will be a range of fabulous meals available with many schemes holding family events as well.

To find out where your nearest scheme and all the details of what is on click on this link - https://merseyplay.com/summer-haf-holiday-activities-food-2023/.

Football Kit/Cross Country Kit Sponsors

We are in desperate need of new football and cross-country kits for the children to wear when they are competing and representing the school. We are looking for businesses to sponsor a range of different sports kits including football kits (for different age ranges) and running kits for athletics and cross-county. If you are interested in sponsoring us, or know someone who owns a business that is interested, please let us know. Thank you.

Term Dates

Please find attached a link to our updated term dates for the next three years: https://florencemelly.org/parents/term-dates/. These are printable and perfect for your fridge!

Date Updates

Please take the time to familiarise yourself with them.

- End of school reports Friday 23rd June 2023 (apart from Year 6 as their SATs results are not released until 11/07/23).
- Telephone calls home for those parents/carers requesting a consultation after receiving the end of year report - Monday 26th June 2023.
- Whole-school transition day pupils get to meet their new class teachers and TAs and spend time in their new classrooms. Year 6 pupils are heading off to their new secondary schools for the day -Wednesday 5th July 2023.
- EYFS and KS1 Sports Day Tuesday 11th July 2023 (morning) (further details to follow).
- KS2 Sports Day Tuesday 11th July 2023 (afternoon) (further details to follow)
- Year 6 prom and graduation Thursday 6th July 2023.

Have a wonderful weekend and we will see you all bright and early on Monday.