



## EMPOWERING OUR NEW PLAY LEADERS!

It's exciting times at Flo Melly as we are in the process of transforming our lunchtime structure with help from our friends at [@FullOfBeansFit](#). The specialist trainers are working with our current Year 5 pupils, empowering them to be play leaders. The aim of the initiative is to create amazing play opportunities that positively impact the mental health and well-being of our pupils, lunchtime assistants and support staff. Our playtimes will be packed full of sporting activities, old-school playground games, dance, quiet and social corners. It is likely to take the next twelve months to embed and all of this will be overseen by Mr Doyle. If you would like any more information, or would like to volunteer your time and get involved, please contact Mr Doyle: [joseph.doyle@fmp.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:joseph.doyle@fmp.liverpool.sch.uk).

### Year 5 learning how to safely ride their bikes with Bikeability!

This week, our Year 5 pupils have been learning a very valuable skill - how to ride a bike! Bikeability is the Department for Transport's national award provider for cycle training in England. The programme itself is based upon on the National Standard for Cycle Training, and helps teach pupils the fundamentals of staying safe on the road! It is proven to develop children's confidence and resilience, whilst having mental and physical health boosting benefits! Our pupils have really enjoyed the sessions this week, and are definitely looking forward to putting their new skills to the test on on the roads!

**Don't forget about the scheduled strike days next week! For further information, please visit the latest news section of our website!**

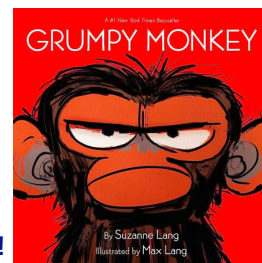
### Attendance Trip to Blackpool Zoo!

This week saw yet another amazing enrichment trip; this time, pupils visited Blackpool Zoo. Although the weather was a little cloudy, that didn't spoil the fun. Pupils saw the cutest baby orangutan playing with its mum, the lazy lions, silly sea lions, gorgeous giraffes and so many barmy birds. Everybody's favourite animals were most definitely the monkeys; the children would have been happy to stand and watch them all day. They were so funny playing with, and stealing food from, each other. It was lovely to hear a member of staff from another school comment on how impressed they were with our children's behaviour.

### Weekly Book Recommendation for Children...

This week's book recommendation is [Grumpy Monkey by Suzanne Lang](#). Grumpy Monkey is a hilarious and reassuring picture book centred on discussing emotions and sharing the important message that sometimes it's okay not to feel okay! Meet Jim Panzee. He's in a BAD mood. Nothing feels right! Grumpy Monkey just can't shake off his bad mood - despite his friends' best attempts to cheer him up. This side-splitting picture book teaches little ones that it's ok to sometimes be in a huff. Nothing will do, and Jim just doesn't know why. His friends give him tips and suggest things that make them feel happy; however, poor old Jim gets overwhelmed and snaps. Could it be that he just needs a day to feel grumpy? This story is the perfect reminder that 'grumpy monkey' days never last forever.

Head over to our [Twitter](#) and [Flickr](#) feeds for more updates, news and photos!



## IMPORTANT DATES!

**05/07/23**  
Scheduled  
Strike Action  
(school open to  
Year 6 only)

**06/06/23**  
Whole-school  
Transition Day

**07/07/23**  
Scheduled  
Strike Action  
(school closed  
to all pupils)

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

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Year 2 (93.7%)

Year 1 (93.0%)

Nursery (91.9%)

Year 3 (91.8%)

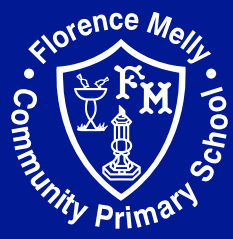
Year 4 (91.6%)

Reception (91.0%)

Year 5 (90.3%)

Year 6 (88.9%)

**91.5%**  
Whole-school  
attendance this week!



# FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## PARENT/CARER UPDATE

### IF YOU CAN DREAM IT, YOU CAN DO IT!



## End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 30th June 2023

### Strike days

Florence Melly Community Primary School will be open to Year 6 only on Wednesday 5th July (rearranged prom and graduation day). School will be closed for all other classes. Our school will be closed to all pupils on Friday 7th July 2023. Our risk assessment confirms that, on health and safety grounds, we cannot open school to any pupils; we will not have the staff capacity to safely look after and supervise the children on the strike day.

Thank you for your patience and support in dealing with this very complex matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me: [a.leach@fmp.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:a.leach@fmp.liverpool.sch.uk).

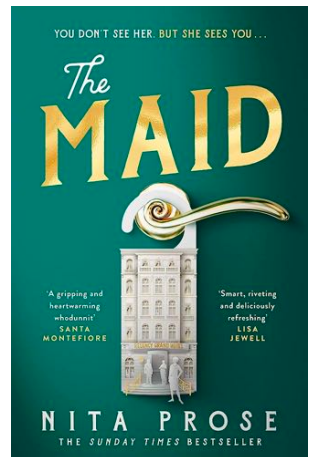
### Taking down the canopies in the EYFS

We are planning on revamping our EYFS outdoor area at the start of the Summer holidays but we are struggling to find a company to take down and dispose of the three canopies covering the area. Are you a builder? Can you help? Or do you know someone who can? If so, please get in touch and let us know a price for the work.



### Book Recommendation for parents/carers

This week's book recommendation for adults is [The Maid by Nita Prose](#). *I am your maid. I know so much about you. But what do you know about me?* Molly the Maid is all alone in the world. A nobody. She's used to being invisible in her job at the Regency Grand Hotel, plumping pillows and wiping away the grime, dust and secrets of the guests who pass through. She's just a maid - why should anyone take notice? But Molly is thrown into the spotlight when she discovers an infamous guest, Mr Black, very dead in his bed. This isn't a mess that can be easily cleaned up. And so, Molly becomes embroiled in a hunt for the truth, learning who to trust as she navigates the secret underbelly of the Regency Grand Hotel. Escapist, charming, and introducing a truly original heroine, *The Maid* is a story about how everyone deserves to be seen, and how the truth isn't always black and white - it's often found in the grey areas in between...



Grab your copy from our reception area now!

### Football kit/cross-country kit sponsors

A huge thank you to those parents/carers who have reached out to tell us that they can sponsor new football and athletics kits. Mrs Dentith and Mr Doyle are still putting a wish list and prices together to share with those parents/carers who offered to sponsor us. This will be emailed out next week. Sorry for the delay.

### Transition day and finding out your child's new class teacher!

Just to keep you in the loop; our whole-school transition day will take place on Thursday 6th July 2023, where all children will have the opportunity to visit their new classrooms and meet their new staff members. It is our intention to let you know who their new teacher and teaching assistant will be on Monday.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

The Flo Melly team!

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