

Friday 15th September 2023

FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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THE GREAT BRITISH BEACH CLEAN!

The Great British Beach Clean is a week-long citizen science event, where hundreds of beach cleans take place up and down the UK. At Florence Melly Community Primary School, we pride ourselves on the strong cultural capital curriculum we provide for our pupils and a huge part of this offer is how we enrich pupils' lives with trips out and memorable experiences. This week, Mr Doyle and a group of Year 6 pupils supported this brilliant initiative; working hard to clean up a local beach as part of the flagship Great British Beach Clean event. To find out more, or to get involved yourselves, please visit: <https://www.mcsuk.org/what-you-can-do/join-a-beach-clean/great-british-beach-clean/all-about-the-great-british-beach-clean/>. At Flo Melly, we are world citizens!

Practising our Fire Evacuation Procedures

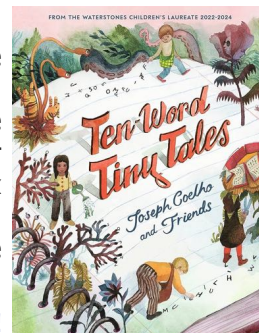
We practised our first fire drill of the year earlier this week and our children, completely unfazed, responded perfectly when the alarm sounded! Merseyside Fire would've been super impressed! Mr Leach was absolutely delighted with how mature and sensible the children were. So much so, every child in the school received Dojo points. Keeping our children safe is our number one priority!

Liverpool Foundation #iWill Campaign

Some of our Upper Key Stage 2 children will be taking part in an #iWill project over the next six weeks, led by the LFC Foundation. Florence Melly were one of the first participants in the #iWill project when it started at the LFC Foundation back in 2019. The project itself is a youth-led programme that empowers young people to identify, prioritise and tackle the issues that young people feel most strongly about. We are looking forward to seeing where the project takes our pupils and the differences they will make in the world around them! It is a great way to reinforce one of our core values!

Weekly Book Recommendation for Children...

This week's book recommendation is a book like no other! Is it possible to spin a tale using just ten words? It most certainly is! In this unique and magnificent text, Joseph Coelho, brings us stories of underwater worlds, demon hamsters, bears in outer space, and portals to places unknown... all in just ten words! '[Ten-word Tiny Tales](#)' consists of twenty tiny tales of only ten words each, which have been illustrated by twenty different illustrators. The result is an atmospheric, thought-provoking anthology which will appeal to children and adults alike. The thought-provoking coloured artwork provides an interpretation of the words, and sometimes in an unexpected way. The twenty illustrators have all delighted in the challenge, and their artwork is beautiful, whether spooky, dramatic or atmospheric. There are familiar names, such as Shaun Tan, Helen Stephens, Alex T. Smith and Dapo Adeola, as well as newer illustrators whose books readers will want to check out. At the back, there are two pages of prompts to encourage children to illustrate a new tiny tale, and to write their own stories.



IMPORTANT DATES!

16/10/23
School Photograph Day

24/10/23
Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead)

24/10/23
PATCH Halloween Disco

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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Year 5 (98.7%)

Reception (98.7%)

Year 2 (96.4%)

Year 6 (96.3%)

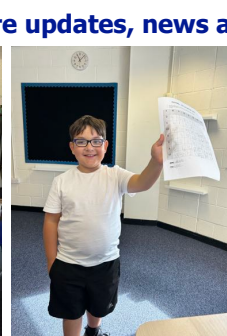
Nursery (95.4%)

Year 3 (95.1%)

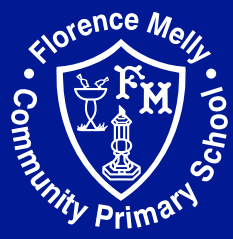
Year 1 (94.0%)

Year 4 (93.7%)

96.1%
Whole-school attendance this week!



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PARENT/CARER UPDATE

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End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 15th September 2023

Date Reminders

Here are some important dates; add them to your diary:

- Monday 18th September 2023 - Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) 'The First Chapter' meet and greet session.
- Friday 22nd September 2023 - Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4) 'The First Chapter' meet and greet session.
- Monday 25th September 2023 - Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 and 6) 'The First Chapter' meet and greet session.
- Friday 29th September 2023 - Early Years (Nursery and Reception) 'The First Chapter' stay and play session.
- Tuesday 2nd October 2023 - SEND coffee morning looking at Zones of Regulation.
- Monday 16th October 2023 - Individual and sibling photographs.
- Tuesday 24th October 2023 - Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) celebrations (children can dress up).
- Tuesday 24th October 2023 - PATCH Halloween Disco.
- Tuesday 14th November 2023 - SEND coffee morning with the ASD Training Team.
- Friday 17th November 2023 - Children in Need SPOTacular party.
- Monday 20th November 2023 - Parents' evening.
- Monday 4th December 2023 - School nurses in school to administer the flu immunisation (more information to follow).
- Tuesday 12th December 2023 - Safeguarding coffee morning with Mr Baillie exploring online safety.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

A few parents/carers have been asking about what clubs will be on offer after-school this half-term. We are in the process of finalising our offer and will update you all shortly. I want my staff to take their time to find their feet at the start of the new academic year; concentrate on getting to know your children and I don't want to bombard them with extra things to do or think about. Our clubs will start up again but that it likely to be in a couple more weeks. I hope that you understand why.

We will use the online booking form again and I will email this out to you all once it is ready and when we are ready to start the clubs.

Universal Consent Forms

Earlier this week, we posted a link to this year's Universal Consent form on our Class Dojo pages. In case you missed it, you can follow this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/C2us3j1qq8>. The Universal Consent form allows the school to gather important information about your child including things such as emergency contacts and permissions for trips. For those who don't like online forms, a paper copy will be made available early next week. Please take the time to fill these forms in, as it is important that the school has this information, thank you.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Leach
Headteacher

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