



LEST WE FORGET

AT FLORENCE MELLY, WE REMEMBER!

This week, as part of our whole-school theme of Remembrance, our pupils commemorated the lives of British service members who sacrificed themselves to secure and protect our freedom. Our pupils created a powerful memorial to honour those who fought and died for us and they explored how the poppy has become a prominent symbol of remembrance and why this memorial day is an integral part of British history! Our school respectfully observed a two-minute silence and staff were especially proud of how all pupils conducted themselves. Lest we forget!

World Kindness Day

This coming Sunday will mark World Kindness Day and as part of our strong Cultural Capital curriculum, a group of Year 3 children visited Anfield to represent our school as part of a workshop led by the LFC Foundation. Focusing on how we treat each other and the way we act towards each other. In the words of Morgan Freeman, our children explored 'how they can change the world...with one random act of kindness at a time! What kind act will you do to mark this special day?

Parent/Carer Questionnaire Feedback

Please find attached a copy of the results from the recent parent/carers questionnaire. Rest assured we will be working tirelessly to ensure that any concerns raised are addressed and addressed quickly. Please come into school to discuss any concerns that you may have. We are here to help and are always available. [Parent/carers Questionnaire - October 2022](#).

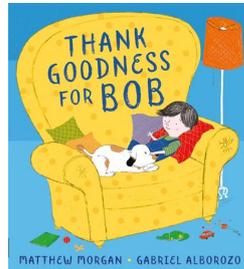
Attendance Matters at Florence Melly!

If you've been following us on Twitter and Class Dojo, you would've noticed the huge push we are having on promoting and celebrating attendance at the moment. This is because improving attendance is one of our whole-school priorities for this year. What an amazing response we have had from our parents/carers and pupils this week. New initiatives like 100% rewards, certificates and prizes have been dished out! Most improved attendance awards and our top attending classes grabbed themselves extra playtime! Let's keep this up and try to attend school every single day next week!

Mr Doyle's Weekly Book Recommendation...

This week's book recommendation comes from Mr Doyle, our Mental Health Lead, and he has chosen, '[Thank Goodness for Bob](#)' by [Matthew Morgan](#), which is a wonderful book for opening conversations about fears and anxieties with our younger pupils. Max worried. A lot. He worried about being bitten by spiders... abducted by aliens... or sometimes just that people didn't like him enough. His dog, Bob, however, is much more relaxed. Bob teaches Max that the best way to deal with worries is to share them with a friend. Told with sensitivity and a sense of fun, this relatable story encourages empathy and illustrates the importance of talking about worries.

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



IMPORTANT DATES!

17/11/22
Flu Vaccine
Catch-Up

18/11/22
Children in
Need

28/11/22
School
Photographs

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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Year 5 (99.0%)

Year 2 (98.3%)

Nursery (96.5%)

Year 4 (95.0%)

Reception (94.7%)

Year 6 (93.5%)

Year 1 (92.3%)

Year 3 (92.0%)

95.1%
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 11th November 2022

Change to our INSET Days

Apologies, but we have had to change our scheduled INSET days again. We noticed that our finish date in July 2023 was different to what Liverpool City Council have set out, so have had to juggle the dates around to minimise the disruption. Please click on the link attached to access a printable/downloadable/stick on your fridge version of our term dates for the rest of this academic year: [Updated Term Dates 2022/23](#).

Here is a summary of the changes:

- The children now return to school on Wednesday 4th January 2023. There will be no INSET day after the Christmas break.
- The INSET day on Monday 5th June has been moved to Wednesday 19th July 2023.
- The children finish for the Summer holidays at 1:30pm on Friday 14th July 2023.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Children in Need

Next Friday (18th November 2022), we will be celebrating Children in Need. The children will enjoy a whole host of Pudsey inspired activities as we come together to join The Great SPOTacular! We will be fundraising for this worthwhile cause and politely ask for a £1 voluntary contribution in exchange for coming to school dressed in Pudsey inspired attire or 'spotty' clothes.

Approaching other Parents/Carers and Children on the Playground

We would like to politely remind all parents/carers that it is not appropriate to approach and challenge other parents' children out on the school yard or outside of the school gates. The same goes for approaching other parents outside. If you have concerns, please raise them with school staff to sort out. In the last couple of weeks there have been a few instances of parents arguing and shouting outside on the yard and the school gates. We do not think this is acceptable. Please come and talk your concerns through with us rather than taking matters into your own hands.

Mobile Phones

Can we please remind all Year 5 and 6 parents/carers who send their children into school with mobile phones (because they walk home on their own at the end of the day), to remind their child/children to hand their mobile phones into their Class Teachers at the start of the school day. There is absolutely no need for a child to have a mobile phone in their possession during the school day. We have had to deal with a few instances of mobile phone misuse in the last couple of weeks and we would appreciate your support with our stance.

We would also like to remind all parents/carers that our playground is a mobile phone free zone. Please do not use your phones during morning drop off or afternoon pick-up. This is so that we can make our school the safest place it possibly can be! Thank you for your continued support.

What Parents Need to Know about TikTok - A free online safety guide for Parents/Carers.

TikTok is a video-sharing social media app which lets people create, view and download looping clips. Typically, these are videos of users lip-syncing and dancing to popular songs or soundbites (often for comic purposes), enhanced with filters, effects and text. Designed with young people in mind, TikTok skyrocketed in popularity in 2019 and has featured near the top of download charts ever since. It now has around 1 billion active users worldwide. In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as age-inappropriate content, addiction and in-app spending: [What Parents/Carers need to know about TikTok](#).