



JUNK MODELLING IN THE EYES!

This week in EYFS, the children have been making junk models of different forms of transport, linked to their story '[Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers](#)'. In the story, a boy finds a penguin on his doorstep and sets out to take him back to the South Pole. The boy used a boat to return the penguin but the penguin was creative and floated along in an umbrella instead. Well our children are very creative too and they have spent time making boats, trains, cars and a whole host of other exciting forms of transport...including a rocket ship! Check out these AMAZING creations! Well done EYFS!



Our Year 1 Chef Club!

May we present to you, our Year 1 Chef Club who have this week, made a cheesy dip and dippers. The children have spent time perfecting their knife skills by cutting sticks and mixing ingredients. They are growing in confidence each and every week and we are so proud and appreciative of our friends at Apple of my Eye, for helping us teach our pupils these important life skills! Next week, they are tackling fruit salad!

Showing our Staff that we Appreciate them!

Our staff are our biggest and best resource. They are an incredible team of people who work tirelessly to support, engage and challenge our pupils. On the back of our recent inspection, we thought we would surprise and treat them and look after their well-being. We arranged for a coffee company to fuel them for the day with delicious sweet treats and drinks. As you can tell, they thoroughly enjoyed themselves and this was the perfect way for us to live out one of our core values in real life!

This Week's Book Recommendation...

This week's book recommendation is [Hunt for the Golden Scarab](#) by M.G. Leonard. Hot on the heels of the award-winning book series spanning beetles, trains and birds, M.G. Leonard, is back - launching a new action-packed, time-travelling adventure series with an initial foray into Egyptology. Sim's mum runs martial art classes by day and Sim helps her work as a cleaner in the museum in the evening. Relishing attending school and staying in one place for the first time in his life, Sim knows his Mum lives her life on edge, as many a time they have packed their belongings at a moments notice and disappeared into the night. When dangerous strangers appear one night, Sim discovers why. His mum has been keeping secrets... she has the power to open doors in time. Underpinned by historical fact, a tale of adventure, lies, trust and time travel unfolds, sweeping you along with twists and turns that keep you gripped and wanting to read on.



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

- 27/01/25**
Parents' Evening
- 28/01/25**
Be Internet Legends AI Assembly
- 30/01/25**
Full Governing Body Meeting
- 03/02/25**
ADHD Foundation Online Training for Parents
- 03/02/25**
KS1 Children's Mental Health Livestream
- 05/02/25**
Year 5 Children's Mental Health Livestream
- 06/02/25**
LKS2 Children's Mental Health Livestream
- 07/02/25**
Year 6 Children's Mental Health Livestream

NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL MENU



Next week, our kitchen will be cooking the Week 1 dinner menu for the children.

End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 24th January 2025

Whole-School Culture for Reading!

At our school, we are doing everything in our power to foster a love of reading in our children and we have carried out lots of activities in the classroom and across the school to promote this. One of our whole school initiatives, that we have invested in, is called: 'Reading Revolutionaries'. This initiative promotes a genuine love of reading alongside improving everyone's vocabulary and comprehension ability. This week, a group of children from Year 4 and 5 were picked to take part in training to become our Florence Melly Reading Buddies. These children will 'buddy up' with our younger children giving them an experience to look forward to. Listening, reading and talking about a story will not only allow all children to gain confidence in this area but also develop an interest for a range of books and encourage reading for pleasure.

SPOTLIGHT ON CURRICULUM

Dates for your diary

- 27/01/25 - Parents' Evening and Interim School Reports
- 28/01/25 - Be Internet Legends AI Assembly for UKS2 Pupils
- 03/02/25 - ADHD Foundation Online Training Session for Parents/Carers (see Dojo for details).

Next Week, as part of our Cultural Capital curriculum, the children will be exploring...

- Caring and Responsibility in their Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) lesson. This topic focuses on special people. It explores why they are special and how they care for and keep one another safe. It examines pupils' increasing responsibilities towards themselves and others as they get older, including the role they can play and the difference they can make within their communities.
- Holocaust Memorial during their weekly 'Cultural Capital' assembly and using the picture book '[Erika Story - Ruth Zee](#)' in order to immerse them in the theme.
- Year 2 will explore Chinese New Year through an exciting cookery lesson.
- Pupils will also visit the World Museum Liverpool and the LEGO store for International Lego Day as we build their cultural capital through memorable and unforgettable experiences, trips and visits to special places of interest.

Wake Up Wednesday - [What Parents & Educators Need to Know about Health & Fitness Apps](#)

This free guide breaks down the potential risks posed by health and fitness apps to their younger users, providing advice on how to address these concerns.

Our Vibrant Extra-Curricular Offer

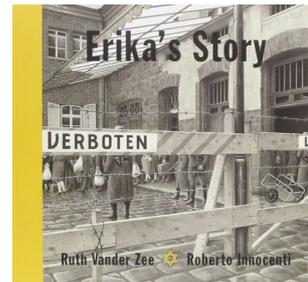
A core strength of our Cultural Capital curriculum offer is what we provide for our pupils beyond the classroom, especially after-school as part of our extra-curricular clubs and activities. Each and every week, an abundance of exciting clubs are offered, completely free of charge, to enhance what we do throughout the day. Our clubs range from chess, to Lego and reading for pleasure; this half-term, we even introduced a boxing club for pupils in Year 4; how very exciting! Check out our Twitter/X feed for updates and please contact the school office to see if there are any places left in any of these clubs for this half-term. Alternatively, please visit our designated webpage on the school website: <https://florencemelly.org/about-us/after-school-clubs/>.

Clubmoor & Ellergreen Children's Centre - FREE Mental Health Awareness Course

Clubmoor & Ellergreen Children's Centre are pleased to announce that they will be running a Mental Health Awareness Level 2 course for parents/carers, starting with an induction session on Monday, 27th January 2025, between 9:30am and 2:30pm. The main course will begin on Monday, 3rd February 2025 and will run for 8 weeks. It is free to all parents who meet the eligibility criteria for funding and is supported through the Children's Centre. To book a place, please contact info@3dtraining.uk.com, call 0151 294 4749 or contact the children centre on 0151 233 8500. This course is facilitated by 3D Training in partnership with Clubmoor Family Hub and offers a fantastic opportunity for parents to enhance their knowledge of mental health and wellbeing.

Have an amazing weekend and see you bright and early on Monday morning.

Mr Leach
Headteacher





IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, EVERY DAY!

"We are delighted to have seen our first day this academic year, celebrating no 'U' codes this week!

We still have a way to go with our punctuality but we are so pleased and grateful that more of you than ever are recognising the importance of getting into school on time. A 'U' code is given to any child arriving after 9.30am. Although registered as safely on site, the full attendance mark for the morning is missed, which can and does have a marked detrimental impact on attendance. That child is then only able to achieve their afternoon mark and misses 30 mins or more of the start of morning lessons.

Let's keep working together on these 'Late' marks next, so that all of our children are getting into school, on time, every day!"



WEEKLY PRIZE WINNERS!



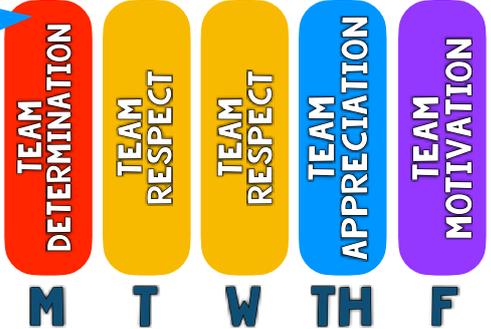
Each week we announce five attendance prize winners in our celebration assembly.

CLASS ATTENDANCE TROPHY WINNERS!



Every week, the class with the best weekly attendance wins the famous 'Flo Melly Attendance Trophy'.

DREAM TEAM DAILY WINNERS!



Every day, we see which DREAM team had the best attendance. The winning team receives 10 tokens!

WHOLE-SCHOOL ATTENDANCE SO FAR THIS YEAR!

93.9%

WHOLE-SCHOOL PERSISTENT ABSENTEEISM

18.6%

NUMBER OF 100% ATTENDEES THIS WEEK

366

NUMBER OF 100% ATTENDEES THIS YEAR

55

GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE!

At the end of every week we celebrate those classes who finish in gold, silver and bronze place. These classes receive a certificate to hang proudly in their classrooms! The winning class also get to keep the famous Flo Melly trophy in their classroom for the week!



ATTENDANCE MATTERS LOST DAYS = LOST LEARNING!

Think 90% attendance is good? Think again! This is what lost days really looks like! Now do you think 90% attendance is good?

IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, EVERY DAY!

	Days missed	Lessons missed	School weeks missed
95%	10 days missed	40 lessons missed	2 weeks missed
90%	19 days missed	76 lessons missed	3 weeks and 4 days missed
85%	28 days missed	112 lessons missed	5 weeks and 3 days missed
80%	37 days missed	148 lessons missed	7 weeks and 2 days missed