Florence Melly Community Primary School

Friday 9th October 2026

FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER
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CELEBRATING WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY!

This week, everyone at Flo Melly proudly took part in #HelloYellow in support of World Mental Health Day and the incredible work of YoungMinds. Children and staff brightened up our school by wearing yellow and coming together to show that mental health matters. Throughout the week, pupils explored the importance of wellbeing through assemblies and classroom activities, learning that it is always okay to talk about how they are feeling and to seek help when they need it. Thank you to all of our families for supporting this important event and helping us promote a culture where everyone feels valued, listened to and supported. Together, we truly stood brighter!



World Habitat Day Visit to Chester Zoo

As part of our Cultural Capital Curriculum and our learning around World Habitat Day, twelve lucky pupils visited Chester Zoo this week. The visit gave children the opportunity to explore habitats from around the world and learn about the animals that live within them. For many, it was their first ever zoo visit, making the experience even more memorable. Pupils showed great curiosity throughout the day and were a credit to Florence Melly. Their behaviour was exemplary, and they demonstrated our DREAMS values at every opportunity. Polite, respectful and enthusiastic from start to finish, they were fantastic ambassadors for our school. A wonderful day was had by all, and many special memories were made. Well done to all twelve children who attended!



Working Together Against Anti-Social Behaviour

Earlier this week, we welcomed our local PCSO Filip into school to lead an important assembly on anti-social behaviour (ASB) and its impact on individuals and the wider community. Filip spoke to the children about making positive choices, showing respect and taking responsibility for their actions, both in and out of school. We have also shared a poster for families to look at together and encourage parents and carers to discuss the key messages at home. Thank you to PCSO Filip for supporting our pupils and to our families for helping children make positive choices every day.



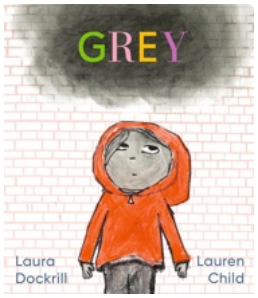
Volunteering at the British Heart Foundation for World Heart Day!

What a fantastic way to celebrate World Heart Day! A group of our pupils visited our local British Heart Foundation charity shop in Broadway to volunteer and support the amazing work they do within the community. The children gained a valuable insight into the importance of helping others, supporting charitable causes and making a positive difference. This enriching experience forms part of our outstanding curriculum offer and our commitment to enrichment, providing pupils with meaningful real-world opportunities beyond the classroom.



This Week's Book Recommendation...

In celebration of World Mental Health Day, this week's book recommendation is Grey by Laura Dockrill, a beautifully illustrated picture book exploring feelings, emotions and self-acceptance. The story follows a child who feels "grey" while everyone else seems bright and colourful, helping young readers understand that it is okay to experience a range of emotions and not feel happy all the time. This thoughtful book encourages important conversations about wellbeing and helps children recognise and talk about their feelings. With Lauren Child's distinctive illustrations, *Grey* is an engaging read for children and adults alike. It gently reminds readers that every feeling is valid and important.









IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

12/10/26
Whole-School Spanish Day

13/10/26
Cross-Country at Sefton Park

14/10/26
Enrichment Trip to Mowgli Restaurant

14/10/26
Year 2 Football Tournament

15/10/26
Year 5/6 Girls Football Tournament

16/10/26
Children finish for Half-term

02/11/26
Children return after the Half-term

02/11/26
Class Photo Day

04/11/26
Flu Immunisations Day

OUR DINNER MENU

Check out next week's lunch offering (Week 3) Click on the image below for more details.

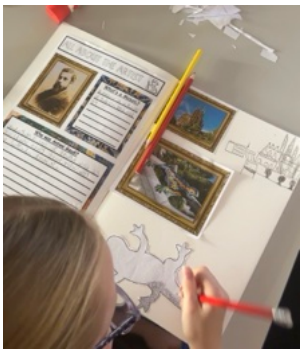


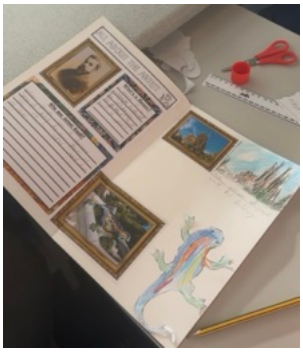


SPOTLIGHT ON CURRICULUM

End of the Week Update for Parents/Carers - Friday 9th October 2026

This week's spotlight... Colour, Curves and Creativity: Exploring Antoni Gaudí
Year 5 have been diving into the colourful and imaginative world of Antoni Gaudí! They explored his unique architectural style, discovering how he brought buildings to life through vibrant colours, organic shapes and intricate patterns. The children learned about some of his most famous creations and discussed how nature heavily influenced his designs. Inspired by Gaudí's bold and creative approach, they then let their imaginations run wild! They experimented with their own Gaudí-inspired designs, playing with colour, shape and pattern to create eye-catching and wonderfully original artwork. The classroom was filled with excitement as pupils shared ideas, took creative risks and celebrated one another's work. It was fantastic to see such enthusiasm, perseverance and artistic flair on display. What a wonderful celebration of creativity, curiosity and imagination, with every child producing a unique piece to be proud of!





As part of our exciting Cultural Capital curriculum, next week, our children will...

- Explore the theme of 'My Healthy Self' in their RSHE lessons, using our new scheme.
- Explore Black History through informative assemblies and the high-quality picture book: The Day You Begin - Jacqueline Woodson.
- Participate in a cookery event with our friends at Apple of my Eye. EYFS, The Nest and KS1 will enjoy Flo Melly's Spanish Day - National Day of Spain inspired food in celebration of the event.
- Enjoy an exciting enrichment trip to Mowgli restaurant (for National Curry Week).

Allergy Awareness Week
This week, we have been recognising Allergy Awareness Week and celebrating the measures we have in place to keep children safe. From our KITT medical bags containing emergency EpiPens, to our lunchtime lanyard system and informative allergy awareness posters displayed around school, we work hard to ensure that pupils with allergies are supported, protected and included in all aspects of school life. If you have any questions, concerns or updates regarding your child's allergies or medical needs, please do not hesitate to contact the school. Working closely with families helps us provide the safest possible environment for all children. Thank you to our staff and families for supporting this important work



97% Attendance Reward Trip - Important Information
We are incredibly proud of the improvements in attendance across the school and wanted to clarify how our upcoming 97% Attendance Reward Trip will work. Children in Years 1-6 who have achieved 97% attendance or above by half-term, which equates to missing no more than one day of school, will be invited to attend our reward bowling trip on Tuesday 10th November, with food included and all costs covered by the school.

We understand that some children may not qualify for the trip due to absence caused by illness, holidays or other reasons. Whilst these pupils will not be attending the bowling trip, we have planned a special day for them in school. Rather than following the normal timetable, they will enjoy a range of smaller treats, enrichment activities and fun experiences throughout the day to ensure they still have a positive and enjoyable experience.

The purpose of the trip is to celebrate and reward excellent attendance, recognising the commitment shown by pupils and families throughout the term. If you have any questions about the trip, the attendance criteria or the school's approach, please contact the school office in the first instance and a member of staff will be happy to help. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that children attend school regularly and are able to make the most of every learning opportunity.



Fresh Flavours Coming After Half-Term!
We are delighted to be launching our new school dinner menu after the half-term holiday! Packed with a variety of healthy, balanced and delicious options, the menu has been carefully designed to give children plenty of choice while supporting healthy eating habits. From exciting new dishes to familiar favourites, there is something for everyone to enjoy. We encourage all families to take a look at the new menu and discuss the options with their child ahead of the new term. You can view the full menu and find out more on our website. We can't wait for the children to give it a try! You can access the new menus by clicking here: https://dev.florencemelly.mgl2025.claritycreation.com/parents/food-in-school/.

Help Shape Access to Fresh Food in Liverpool
Researchers are looking for local residents to take part in a study exploring how access to fresh food can be improved across Liverpool. The project is open to people living in social housing, particularly with Torus, Onward or Riverside, although others may also be eligible. Taking part involves using a free app over six months to complete questionnaires and short food diaries. Participants can receive up to £85 in Love2Shop vouchers as a thank-you for taking part.



To find out more and check your eligibility, scan the QR code (on this attachment: https://florencemelly.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/General-W2_A4-flyer.pdf), contact schouse@liverpool.ac.uk or 07345 442688.

Have a great weekend and see you all, bright and early on Monday morning. Don't forget, its our Spanish Day on Monday and the children can wear their own Spanish themed clothes.

Mr Leach
Headteacher

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This Week's Key Message...

There is now just one week left to secure a place on our exciting 97% Attendance Reward Trip! Pupils in Years 1-6 who achieve 97% attendance or above by half-term will be invited to enjoy a fantastic bowling trip on Tuesday 10th November, with food included and all expenses paid for by the school. Our Reception children will also enjoy a special reward trip to a local soft play centre, with the date to be confirmed. Every day counts, so please ensure your child is in school, on time, every day during this final week. Excellent attendance helps children make the most of their learning, build positive routines and enjoy all that school has to offer. This reward is our way of recognising the fantastic commitment shown by pupils and families throughout the term and celebrating those children who are here, ready to learn, every day. Let's finish the half-term strongly and maximise attendance!



WEEKLY 100% CERTIFICATE WINNERS!



CLASS ATTENDANCE TROPHY WINNERS!

DEN

97.7%



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

DREAM TEAM ATTENDANCE WINNERS!

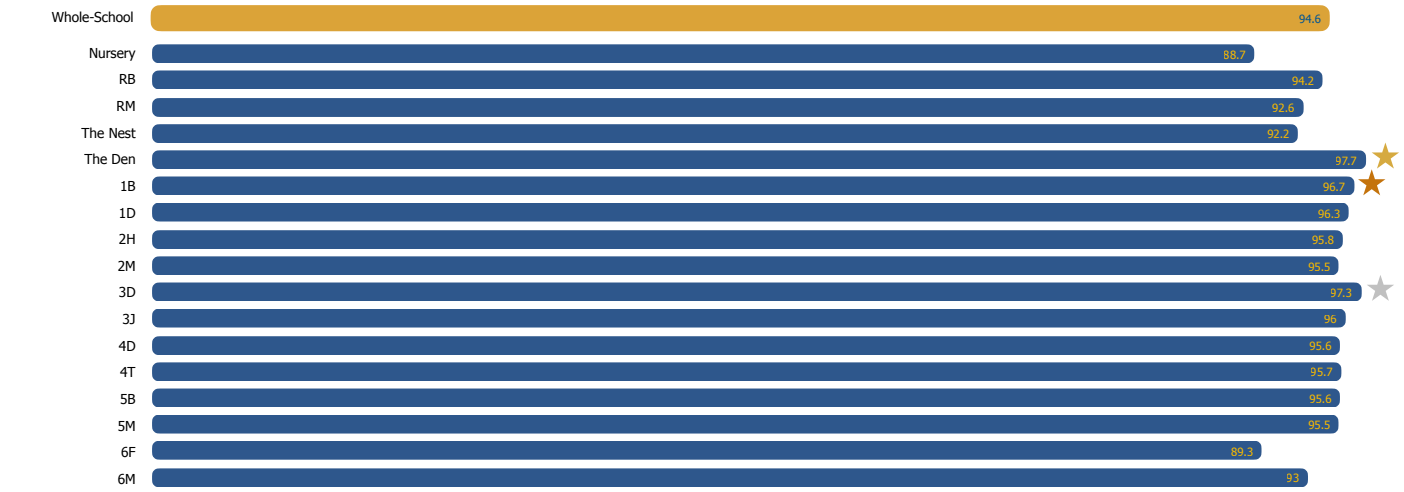
Every day, we see which DREAM team had the best attendance. The winning team receives 10 tokens!

M	TEAM DETERMINATION
T	TEAM MOTIVATION
W	TEAM RESPECT
TH	TEAM MOTIVATION
F	TEAM APPRECIATION

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!

DEN 3D 1B



Congratulations to The Den and 3D who beat our 97% target this week! Well done!

WHOLE-SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK	WHOLE-SCHOOL ATTENDANCE SO FAR THIS YEAR	WHOLE-SCHOOL PERSISTENT ABSENTEEISM	NUMBER OF CHILDREN MEETING OUR 97% TARGET THIS HALF TERM	NUMBER OF 100% ATTENDEES THIS YEAR
94.6%	95.0%	13.4%	273	265

FLO MELLY ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Welcome to our Flo Melly Attendance Champions League. Each week classes compete against each other in a football style league table. Fixtures are drawn and shared on a weekly basis. The class that tops the table at the end of the half-term - wins a prize!

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS LEAGUE TABLE!

	TEAM	PLD	W	D	L	BP	PTS
1	THE DEN	2	2	0	0	2	8
2	4D	2	2	0	0	1	7
3	RM	2	2	0	0	1	7
4	1B	2	2	0	0	0	6
5	2H	2	2	0	0	0	6
6	3D	2	1	0	1	2	5
7	2M	2	1	0	1	1	4
8	6M	2	1	0	1	1	4
9	RB	2	1	0	1	0	3
10	1D	2	1	0	0	0	3
11	4T	1	1	0	1	0	3
12	5M	2	0	0	2	1	1
13	NURSERY	2	0	0	2	0	0
14	THE NEST	2	0	0	2	0	0
15	3J	2	0	0	2	0	0
16	5B	2	0	0	2	0	0
17	6F	2	0	0	2	0	0

Classes earn 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and no points for a loss. A bonus point is awarded if the class beats our 97% attendance target - regardless if they win, lose or draw! The aim for the class with the bye fixture is to beat 97% - if they do, they earn 3 points for a win plus an extra bonus point.

SCORES ON THE DOORS

SCORES FOR WEEK OF 05/10/26		
NURSERY 88.7	VS	THE DEN 97.7
RB 94.2	VS	6M 93.0
RM 92.6	VS	6F 89.3
1D 96.3	VS	5B 95.6
1B 96.7	VS	5M 95.5
2H 95.8	VS	4T 95.7
2M 95.5	VS	4D 95.6
3J 96.0	VS	3D 97.3
THE NEST HAD A BYE THIS WEEK		

NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

N	vs	NEST	1D	vs	4T
DEN	vs	6M	1B	vs	4D
RB	vs	5B	2H	vs	3D
RM	vs	5M	2M	vs	3J

NO FIXTURE FOR 6F NEXT WEEK

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