FLORENCE MELLY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

# PARENT/CARER CORRESPONDENCE

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**Thank You! End of Half-Term - October 2026**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of our first half-term together, I wanted to take a moment to thank you for the incredible support you have shown since the start of the academic year. It has been a truly fantastic beginning, and I am so proud of everything our children, staff and families have achieved together over the past few weeks.

Please remember that school finishes today, Friday 16th October, for a well-deserved two-week half-term break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 2nd November.

What an amazing start it has been to the 2026/27 academic year! Across the school, children have enjoyed engaging lessons, inspiring assemblies, enrichment visits, sporting events, workshops and a wide range of memorable learning experiences. Highlights have included our visit to Chester Zoo to celebrate World Habitat Day, a trip to Mowgli Street Food in recognition of National Curry Week, and visits to Ness Gardens as part of our vibrant and exciting Science curriculum. Every week seems to bring another opportunity for our children to learn, explore and grow - using the vibrancy of our great city as a vehicle.

It really has reminded me what a wonderful place Florence Melly Community Primary School is to work and learn.

Looking ahead, we have so much to be excited about as we approach Christmas. Families can look forward to our beautiful candle-lit carol concert at the Isla Gladstone Conservatory, our ever-popular Reception and Year 3 Nativity performance (more details to follow), alongside a packed programme of enrichment opportunities, educational visits, sporting events, after-school clubs, special celebrations and, of course, many more fantastic lessons. What a great place Flo Melly is to be!

I would also like to say a huge thank you for the positive response to our new 97% Attendance Reward Trips initiative. We are delighted that, when we return after half-term, 303 children will be rewarded for their excellent attendance with a fully funded trip to the bowling alley (Years 1-6) or the cinema (Reception).

For children who did not quite reach the 97% target this half-term, please do not worry. We have planned a range of enjoyable activities for those remaining in school, whether their attendance was affected by illness or holidays. Whilst they will miss out on this particular reward trip, the good news is that the slate is wiped clean every half-term. A brand-new opportunity begins when we return, and children can work towards qualifying for our next attendance reward event which will take place around Christmas time.

If you have not received confirmation that your child has qualified for the trip (via Dojo and Arbor) but believe they should have done, or if you would like any further clarification regarding attendance calculations, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We are always happy to help and answer any questions.

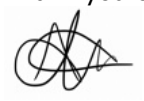
A reminder too about our new communication platform, Arbor. If you have not yet signed up, please do so using the link below: https://arbor-education.com/.

Thank you to the many families who are already using Arbor. We hope you are finding it a useful way to stay connected with school life. I would also like to thank those parents and carers who have already completed their permissions and information updates on Arbor. Confirming details regarding photographs, medical needs, allergies, collection arrangements and safeguarding information is incredibly important and helps us ensure our records remain accurate and up to date.

Finally, a heartfelt thank you to you all. Your support, encouragement and partnership make an enormous difference. The positive relationships we have with our families help us provide the very best experience for our children, and we are incredibly grateful for that support. Please remember that if you ever have a question, concern, suggestion or simply need some advice, we are always here to help. We would much rather you get in touch than worry in silence.

I wish you all a wonderful half-term break. Take the opportunity to rest, recover and recharge, enjoy some special time together and return ready for another exciting half-term.

Thank you once again for your continued support.



Mr Leach
Headteacher

