

Friday 13th September 2019

## Message from the head

What a fabulous start to the year the children have made. It's been great meeting all the new Nursery and Reception children as they have started coming in. I just know this is going to be a brilliant year! We are very excited that on Monday we should be taking back possession of the junior playground along with getting onto the new AstroTurf pitch—exciting times! Have a great weekend and see you next week!

## Cycle Training this term

Please see the dates for this term's cycle training. Please support this by sending your child in with their bike, if they have one, on these dates. If they don't we will do our best to provide one for them but numbers are limited and we want all the children to be able to take part. If you are willing for your child to share their bike with a classmate please let us know. Thanks.

<b>Year 5</b> (selected children) 16th-20th September
<b>Year 3</b> —all children 19th—20th September
<b>Year 6</b> (selected children) 23rd-27th September
<b>Year 4</b> —all children 26-27th September
<b>Year 1</b> —all children 7th-8th October
<b>Year 2</b> —all children 17-18th October

## Date for your diary!

Following on from our 'Happiness Project' last year we are continuing our focus on positive mental health and wellbeing. During our staff training at the start of this term staff attended a workshop led by Deborah Kaizer, a Mental Health and Wellbeing Consultant from Camden. This was a very valuable and eye-opening session. We have asked Deborah to come back and do a session for parents and carers on the topic of 'Promoting Positive Mental Health and Building Resilience at Home'. The date for this will be **Tuesday 8th October from 9-10am**. Please do come along if you - this session is useful for all families.

## Headteacher's Coffee Morning/Evening

The topic for discussion at this term's event will be the upcoming changes to PSHE and Sex and Relationship Education. Mr McGibbon will be presenting and answering any questions for parents/carers on Tuesday next week (17th). There will be a session at 9.10am and then the session will be repeated at 5pm for those unable to make it in the morning. Please come along if you can.

## A Call for Parent Governors!

We currently have vacancies on our Governing Body for 3 parent governors. Once all the Nursery and Reception children have started we will be sending out nomination letters. We would ask you to please consider, if you can, taking on this role. A Governing Body works best and supports school the most when it is truly representative of the school community so we really value parental input. If you have any questions about what is involved, time commitment, training opportunities etc. please don't hesitate to ask or speak to one of our existing Parent Governors Hannah (Year 1) or Annie (Year 2 & 6). Thank you in advance for giving this some thought.

## Punctuality Award

This week, our Punctuality award goes to Year 1 and Year 4 with NO lates this week. Well done to them.



## Attendance Award

Our Attendance Award this week goes to Year 1 & Year 2 with 100%. Well done to them! Fabulous!



## Secondary Transition Events for Y5 & 6

The Camden Secondary Transfer booklets brochures went out to all Year 6 children this week. If you did not get one please let us know. They list all of the open morning/evening events each school is putting on—if you plan to take your child to any of the events and they will miss part of the school day please let us know in advance so we can plan events around it for them.

As well as these individual school events there are a couple of events in particular we would draw your attention to. We will be hosting here at Fleet our annual 'Meet the Parents' event. This will be on **Tuesday 24th September from 6.30-7.30pm**. This is where families who have recently gone through the transition process to local secondaries from Camden primaries will be here to give you the most up-to-date information about their school experience—this is a good way to hear what a school is actually like and how the experience was away from the 'marketing' of the events the schools themselves put on. If you have children in Year 5 or 6 we would recommend coming along to this. Camden also put on the 'Moving On' event which is where you can hear from all the schools at one time. This is on **Thursday 19th September from 4-6.30pm at Swiss Cottage Library**.

Applications for secondary places are due in by the 31st October. These are completed online. If anyone of you require help or support to do this please let the office know as soon as possible and we will do what we can to support.

<https://www.camden.gov.uk/secondary-school-admissions>

## Terms Dates—2019/20

<b>Autumn Term</b> Half Term: Mon 21st—Fri 25th Oct Last Day of Term: Thurs 19th Dec	<b>Half Term:</b> Mon 17th—Fri 21st Feb Last Day of Term: Fri 3rd April	<b>Half Term:</b> Mon 25th—Fri 29th May INSET Day—school closed: Mon 1st June Last Day of Term: Tue 21st July
<b>Spring Term</b> First Day of Term: Tue 7th January	<b>Summer Term</b> First Day of Term: Tue 21st April Bank Holiday:	

## 'Easy Fundraising' for Fleet Primary School



Do you often shop online? If you do, please have a look at the 'easyfundraising' website. Purchases you make could help to raise money for the school at no extra cost to you! It's simple, and doesn't cost you anything. All you do is:

1. Got to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fleetps>
2. Sign up for free (or download the App if you shop on your mobile)
3. Shop online as normal!

## Dates for your calendar for this half term

17th Sept	Head's Coffee Morning @ 9.10am & 5pm
19th Sept	Year 6 to British Library
24th Sept	Meet the parents event @ 6.30pm for Year 5/6 families
26th Sept	Parent Workshop—"Promoting Positive Mental Health and Building Resilience at Home"
27th Sept	Cross Country—selected children Y3-6
8th October	Reception to Golders Hill
10th October	Year 6 to Globe Theatre
14th-18th Oct	Year 5 to Sayers Croft
21st-25th Oct	Half Term Week—no school

## Star of the Week Awards—this week's winners...



Well done to our 'Stars of the Week'

Rec—Nico, Y1—Mia, Y2—Tabby, Y3—Amber-Lily, Y4—Nida, Y5—Anas, Y6—Lily-Bo

Year 5 have made a great start to the term in English. They have been writing poems about Vikings travelling the North Sea and getting caught in a storm. They all did well but we want to share these two with you—well done Frankie and Yahya.

## Writing in Year 5

### The Tempest...

Again, again, and again and again. We rode back and forth. We hated our job.  
The desperate expression on the men's faces who got thrown off.  
The pleading tone creeping into their voices as they shouted for the mercy of their wives and children.  
The rain sliced our mast like a thousand knives.  
Screaming in pain as our men worked the oars; the water lashing us like the sky cracking a whip.  
The sky had darkened in our pity, the colour above us was a black as the pupils in the eyes of one of our petrified men.  
Colossal waves towering over us as our boat got eaten by the waves.



### The Vicious Warriors...

The deadly lightning silver crashes down like spears.  
The vast thunder is like a bullet of destruction.  
Terrifying lightning zaps down on the ground.  
The deadly sea pounded the boat.  
Aggressively waves rock the boat and waves tear up the boats into pieces.  
The mighty clouds are dark as a night fall.  
The savage Vikings struggle to row the boat against the sea.



There are some brilliant topics planned for this term. See the titles below:

**Nursery: Festivals and Feast**

**Reception: Teddy Tales**

**Year 1: Adventurers**

**Year 2: Intrepid Travellers**

**Year 3: Marathon, Monsters and Myths**

**Year 4: An Adventure Through Time**

**Year 5: Journey to Valhalla**

**Year 6: Lights, Camera, Action!**

## This term's topics...

Year 2 have been making 'Terracotta Warriors'. We're sure you would agree they look great!

## Year 2



Year 4 started their 'Adventure Through Time' with a look at the Romans. As part of their research they worked from an old Roman bread recipe and had a go at replicating it. Turned out the Romans were good bakers—tasty!



Year 6 have been looking at the poem 'Macavity: the mystery cat' by T.S.Eliot. They have had a go at writing acrostic poems about Macavity—this fantastic one is by Lacey. Keep up the good work!



### Macavity...

**M**ischievous Macavity,  
**A**nytime, anywhere, he could be causing a crime,  
**C**ould he not be the most vile cat?  
**A** destroyer of laws!  
**V**andal and unpleasant feline,  
**I**diotic Macavity is a mysteriously devilish fiend,  
**T**angled is his fur,  
**Y**ellow is his rotten disgusting teeth.

## Poetry in Year 6

## Roman Bread in Year 4