



Fleet News

Friday 22nd November 2019



Message from the head:

It has been brilliant to hear the singing coming from the hall and classrooms this week as rehearsals really ramp up for the infant and junior shows. The children really are sounding great and you are all in for a real treat when they finally perform it. Check the dates in 'calendar dates' section at the bottom to ensure you don't miss it.

This week I have been looking at attendance and punctuality data for the term. There are lots of nasty bugs going around at the moment—a number of children have been ill, as have staff, and we know there is not much that can be done at this time of year especially when the bugs are as virulent as they have been. Despite this you have all been doing a great job to keep attendance levels up and I thank you for that. However, as I mentioned last week I am concerned at the number of children coming in late. There seems to be more and more each morning. Most aren't very late—5 minutes or so—but it still has a big impact on classes. When teachers are trying to start their lessons, they are being interrupted by children coming in late and then have to stop teaching and go back to the registers. So not only does the child coming in late have to manage the rushed start to their day and feel unsettled without the opportunity to settle into their morning that is offered by coming in to the playground before school, the rest of the class have their learning interrupted. We are sending letters home to all families where a child has been late 3 times or more this term. Please read it carefully and if you need any help or to talk about specific reasons you are struggling to get your children to school on time, please don't hesitate to come and speak with us. To those always in on time, thank you—attendance and punctuality make a difference to the children's outcomes.

Members of the PA have been in school a lot in the last few weeks working tirelessly getting things ready for next weekend's fair. A huge thank you to them—it's amazing how much work they put in on behalf of school and all our children. Have a great week and see you all next week.

Parent Evening Sign-up

A big thank you to all the parents who have already signed up for their parent conference with teachers next week. If you have not yet done it please do so quickly. It is vital you attend this meeting to ensure we can work together for the best outcomes for your children. The office will be able to advise of available slots if you are unable to come in in person to sign up.

Fleet Winter Fair—Saturday 30th November

With only 1 week remaining until our Christmas Fair we wanted to thank everyone for all your help and support so far. We have had some lovely donations and the hampers are now filling up fast. Please remember you can donate items for the hampers up until Friday afternoon. From Monday extra raffle tickets will go on sale before and after school, so please come along and grab some extra tickets. This year we have some amazing prizes in the raffle, including a Tottenham football signed by the entire team!! We are also excited to announce that on the day of the fair there will be a Blind Bid for a Tottenham signed & framed shirt. Bids will be placed between 12-2:30pm and the winner will be announced by the end of the Fair!! Thanks for your continued support. PA- Becky, Fab, Jo & Marc

Interested in renting the pitch for a match?

Outside of school hours the pitch is being managed by 'School Lettings Solutions'. If you'd like to enquire about booking it use these details:

Telephone: 02037976491 or Email: fleetprimary@schoollettings.org

Website: <https://bookings.schoollettings.org/london-camden/sls-fleet-primary/football-pitch/12842?date=>

Punctuality Award

This week, our Punctuality award goes to Y1 with no lates! Well done to them. Please ensure your child arrives at school by 9am.



Attendance Award

Our Attendance Award this week goes to Year 5 with 97%. Remember our target for the year is 96%. Anything below that is a concern—this week only two classes were above 96%.



Met Police Christmas Tree Appeal

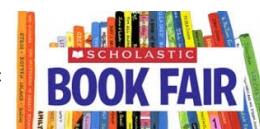
Last week the Police Commissioner launched the yearly Christmas Tree Appeal. The annual Christmas Tree Appeal ensures thousands of children across London receive gifts that they may not otherwise have.

For details visit www.met.police.uk/christmastree
All donated gifts will be given to children aged from one-week to 17-years-old. These children are currently being cared for by foster parents, in residential care homes, in refuges, in hospitals, or are children from low-income families. The Deadline is **Friday 6th December**. If you wish to donate, your unwrapped present can be dropped off at the front office at Kentish Town or Islington police station. Any questions please contact **Tracy Sadler, PC2409CN, Safer Schools Officer**



Book Fair

Would you like to buy any books for Christmas presents? We will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair on Monday 9th December, from 3.15pm. Any money you spend at the fair will be given back to us as vouchers to spend on books for school, provided we make at least £300! Please help us to meet our target and get some money back to spend on lovely new books!



Christmas Lunch Menu

Roast Turkey & Chipolatas
Or
Sweet Potato & Parsnip Loaf

Stuffing & Gravy
Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Peas and Brussel Sprouts
Cranberry Bread

Christmas Pudding with Vanilla Sauce

Or
Orange & Ginger Sponge with Custard

Seasonal Fruit Platter



Dates for your calendar for this term

27th Nov	Parents Evenings Y1-Y6 (until 6pm)
28th Nov	Parents Evenings Y1-Y6 (until 7pm)
29th Nov	Nursery Stay and Play
29th Nov	Reception to Theatre
30th Nov	Christmas Fair
3rd Dec	Year 4 to the Church
6th Dec	Infants Christmas Show
10th Dec	Reception to the Heath
11th Dec	Nursery to the Theatre
12th Dec	Junior Christmas Show—10am & 7pm
13th Dec	Christmas Lunch
16-19th Dec	No Clubs
17th Dec	Infant Christmas Parties
19th Dec	Last day of term—finish at 2pm

Star of the Week Awards—this weeks winners...



Well done to our 'Stars of the Week' for their hard work and effort in class.

A number of the Year 5 and 6 children took part in an inter-school basketball tournament at Talacre this week. They were great! They had been practicing in the playground during the week and really enjoyed the experience.

A big thank you to them all for representing Fleet so well.

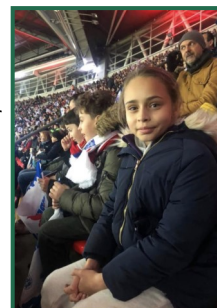


Basketball Superstars

Fleet @ Wembley!



Last week we were very lucky that we were given a number of tickets for the 1000th England Football Team match against Montenegro. It was great to hear the children had such a good time and despite the late night were back in school bright and breezy the next day for 9am—they'll be expecting 7 goals every match they go to!

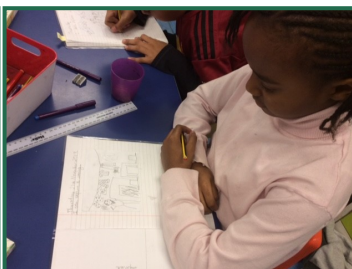
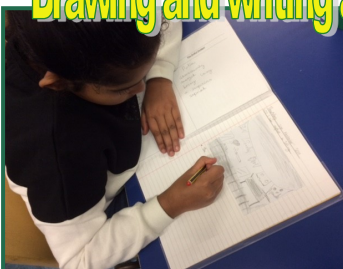


Cooking with Candice

The stars of the week were again using our bumper potato harvest from the garden. On the menu this week was potato, leek and coriander soup. It was incredibly tasty—even more so knowing we had grown the potatoes ourselves!



Drawing and writing about Dickensian settings in Year 4



Year 5, as part of the 'Journey to Valhalla' topic have been studying the story of Beowulf. This week they have been drawing the monster Grendel and writing descriptions of him. There has been some fabulous work. Here we share Jaydon, Ruphy, Eartha and Raaiha's writing as well as Raaiha's image of the hideous beast!

Journey to Valhalla

Grendel battered the trees out of his way as if they were matchsticks. He was hideously angry. His heart booming like thunder. Suddenly he was at the hall, his colossal filthy hands grabbing the poor people shoving them in his ginormous mouth. The people, who were terrified for their lives, trampled on each other to get away from the monstrous beast. Blood spattered the floor and dripped from the walls. Grendel was pleased that he had ruined the party and smiled hatefully, showing his slimy face...



Smashing past trees, the beast Grendel trampled on terrified deer. The poor earth shaking at every step he took. His red furious eyes blazing with fire and sin. His heavy breaths blowing the rocks into a mini tornado. The beast's scales covered in mud and his colossal hands scooping up anything in his way. As he walked up to the gates of Heorot, he could hear the laughter that would turn into fear any minute now. He grabbed the iron doors and flung them over his shoulder...



Viciously the ghastly beast stomped through the trees as if they were a feather. Charging through he forest Grendel made the earth shake with every step. Using his super hearing to listen to the laughter and music Grendel growled and just by doing that it cleared a path for him knocking everything 5 metres away from him. Aggressively, he opened the great iron doors, ripping apart the first soldier he saw and sucking his blood...



The beast waded through the revolting bubbling swamp. He flicked everything in his path like it was nothing. The animals trembled in fear trying to get out of the way of the creature's filthy repulsive feet. Closer and closer he came to the mead hall, the lights and music got brighter and louder. Grendel, who was blood-thirsty, walked up to the iron studded doors and pulled them off like ripping paper. Ferociously, he grabbed up the men and sucked the blood like leeches out of them...

