

Friday 24th November 2017

Message from the head

Last Friday, I had the pleasure of visiting Burgh House for the afternoon and spending some time with the Year 6 children as they 'took over' the museum. I was given a guided tour by two of our children who showed an incredible level of knowledge and impeccable manners. I watched as some children led members of the public on tours, whilst other children researched and prepared for an exhibit that will soon be on display. It was fantastic to see their enthusiasm and maturity and to hear the positive comments of the public towards them. It was also great seeing the parents who came along and supported on the day, or those who just came along later to see what they'd been up to. As we approach the end of the Autumn term, I'd like to say thank you to you all. We have less staff than we had last year, so taking children off site and holding special events for classes in school that requires a higher adult ratio could have been difficult. Your support, through coming along as volunteers, has been brilliant and allowed us to continue to offer the high number of quality off site learning experiences that Fleet holds so dear. Thank you.

Finally I would like to draw your attention to the dates to the right. The children and staff are working hard to get ready for the Infant and Junior Shows—they are shaping up to be fantastic! We hope you will be able to come along and see your children shine.

Have a great weekend and enjoy the winter sun that is forecast!

Tombola! Tombola! Tombola!

Next week we are sourcing tombola items. Bottles and jars of food and drinks, new toys, health and beauty items, and other unused items that would suit the huge Christmas Fair Tombola stall. Everyone has been super generous, and we have collected many donations from classrooms already. Thanks so much, from the Parents' Association!

Reminder for Nursery Parents

As you are aware, the funding changes brought in by the Government this year require you to apply for the additional 15 hours your children receive in order to top up to full time (30 hour) places. This needs to be done each term and so as we approach the end of the Autumn term, we need you to re-apply again via the Government online portal. If you are successful, they will reconfirm the funding and you will need to let us know the outcome. This is so that we can continue to receive the funding we need to staff the Nursery for 30 hour places. If you have any problems with this, please come and see Debbie in the Office and she can support you. We understand that this is inconvenient, however it is a process entirely out of the school's control. Thank you.

Lunches

Please remember that lunches need to be paid for in advance and cost £2.35 per day/£11.75 per week. If your lunch account is in arrears by over £40, your child will need to switch over to packed lunches if it remains unpaid. Thank you.

Do you shop online? Easy Fundraising!

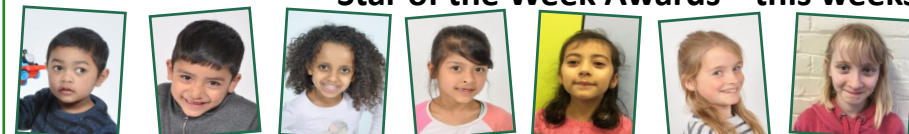
1. Go to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fleetps>
2. Sign up for free (or download the App if you shop on mobile)
3. Then shop online as normal!

Attendance Award

Our Attendance Award this week goes to Year 4 with 97%. Well done, Fabulous! Remember, if your child is unwell or has an appointment, please call the Office in the morning to let us know.



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



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

Rec—Saheim, Y1—Adil, Yr2—Hanna, Y3—Mayeda, Y4—Ava, Y5—Sadie, Y6—Lily

Important Dates over next few weeks!

Infant Christmas Show—10am
Friday 1st December

Junior Christmas Show—7pm
Thursday 7th December (ticket only—buy from office)

Junior Christmas Show @
9.30am Friday 8th December
(no ticket needed)



School Christmas Fair—12-3pm Saturday 9th December

School Christmas Lunch—Wednesday 13th December

Last day of term—Monday 18th December (school closes at 2pm)

Thankyou!

Thanks to all the parents who have made the extra effort this week to ensure the children are getting into school on time. Remember, Breakfast Club is available from 8am and costs £1. The playground opens to everyone from 8.30am and classrooms and teachers are available from 8.45am until 9am. All children should be in the classroom and on the carpet ready for the Register at 9am so that lessons can start promptly. Thanks for your continued

Little Hands Design Fundraising Effort

Little Hands Design, a local non-profit organization, will be hosting an **affordable Krafts n' Kits sale on 26th November, 12-5pm**. They are raising funds to be able to offer sewing courses at discounted prices to children and adults from disadvantaged backgrounds. The design and craft kits are good for kids of all ages and can even be used for school projects!

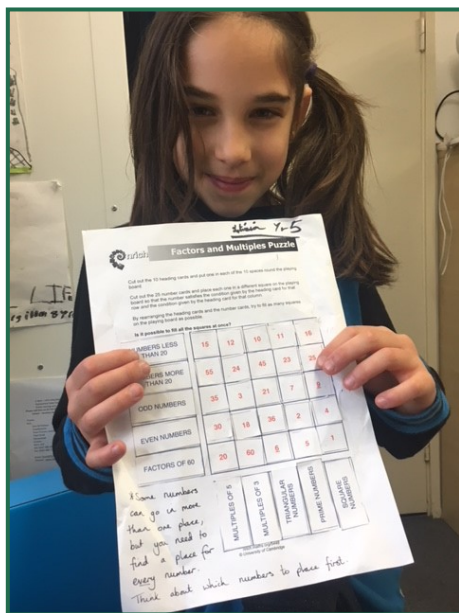


TERM DATES 2017/18

Autumn Term	Summer Term
Last Day of Term: Mon 18th Dec	First Day of Term: Tues 17th April
Spring Term	Bank Holiday: Mon 7th May
First Day of Term: Thurs 4th Jan	Half Term: Mon 28th May-Fri 1st Jun
Half Term: Mon 12th—Fri 16th Feb	INSET Day School Closed—4th June
Last Day of Term: Thurs 29th March	Last Day of Term: Wed 25th July

NEW! TERM DATES 2018/19 NEW!

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Wed 5th September -	First Day of Term: Tues 8th	First Day of Term:
Half term:	Jan	Wed 24th April
Mon 22nd—Fri 26th Oct	Half Term:	Bank Holiday: Mon 6th
Last Day of Term:	Mon 18th—Fri 22nd Feb	May
Fri 21st Dec	Last Day of Term:	Half Term:
	Friday 5th April	Mon 27th-Fri 31st May
INSET Day School closed:		INSET DAY School Closed—
Mon 3rd & Tues 4th Sept		Tues 23 Apr & Mon 3 June
2018		Last Day: Tue 23rd July



If at first...

Letizia showed amazing determination, not to mention fantastic problem solving and Maths skills this week. She had been working on a puzzle set by Ms. Kingham in class and had not been able to solve it. She went home that night and the problem nagged away at her. So the next day she asked Ms. Kingham for a copy of the problem to try and again and that night solved it! She needed to use her knowledge of factors, multiples, primes, square numbers and triangular numbers. Very well done Letizia. Just goes to show the old saying is right—'If at first you don't succeed then try and try again!'

Fantastic Poetry...

Many of the children in the school over the last few weeks have taken part in a poetry competition set up by the Premier League. We have entered lots of them into the competition and our fingers are crossed that we may have a winner in our midst. We wanted to share this one with you by Luke in year 5 all about resilience.

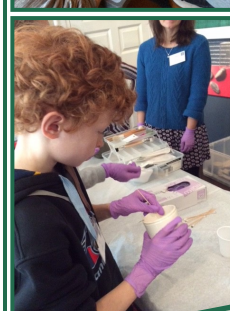
Don't ever give up on your task,
Don't give up, try, try again,
No, don't give up, you're nearly there!
Try, try, try again.

Give all you've got, please don't quit,
It might be hard, it might be easy,
Vast challenges are ahead, please do me a job, that what I said,
Excellent stars don't give up and also they get given good,
good luck.

Up, up, up it goes till you were so good you froze,
Please try, try, try again.



By Luke



Last week, Year 1 took us on an amazing adventure around the world. They sang and acted beautifully. We can't wait to watch the Christmas shows next! Thanks to all the parents who came along.

Star Performers!

Takeover the Museum Day...



Last Friday was 'Takeover the Museum' Day and two of our classes did just that! Year 5 went to the Ben Uri Gallery in Camden while Year 6 became curators and tour guides in Burgh House Museum in Hampstead. The children were incredible. Mr M^cGibbon had a fantastic guided tour of Burgh House by Mischa and Rahmina. They even made the newspaper! Thanks to the parents who came along to visit them and help out. We couldn't have done it without you!

