

Over £330 raised so far!

Message from the head

This week we had excitement, for all the wrong reasons, when the Camden Centre for Learning (next door) had to be evacuated. Along with it the Fleet block housing Reception, Years 1, 3 and 4 also had to be emptied along with the Qube and junior playground. The children were real troopers and handled moving to other parts of the school until the 'all clear' superbly—the extra playtime some got in the Infant playground helped! It was good to see that the systems in place in school were able to react quickly and efficiently keeping everyone safe. Other, more welcome, excitement this week included a bike safety course for Y5 and Y6, a visit from some very exotic animals including lizards for the infants, and class trips to the CLC and Kew Gardens. The week was topped off with the Macmillan Class Tea and today 30 of the children took part in the Camden Schools Cross Country on the Heath. The weeks are flying by, yet each one seems to be more jam packed than the last! Have a restful weekend!

Attendance Award

Our attendance award for this week goes to Year 3 with 100% attendance. Well done to them—fabulous! However, some year groups can definitely do much better!



1st Camden Parent Conference—Parents' Role in Raising Aspiration

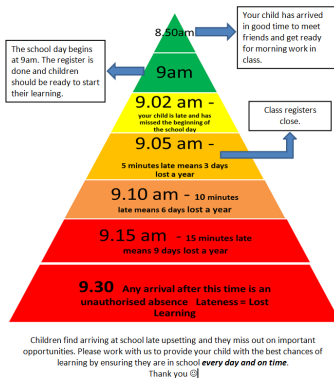
This exciting new initiative by Camden will take place on the 4th October at the Camden Irish Centre from 9.30am-1pm. **ALL WELCOME**—free lunch will be provided. It like being a very interesting morning. Go along!

Attendance and Punctuality

'Central to raising standards in education and ensuring all pupils can fulfil their potential is an assumption so widely understood that it is insufficiently stated – pupils need to attend school regularly to benefit from their education. Missing out on lessons leaves children vulnerable to falling behind. Children with poor attendance tend to achieve less in both primary and secondary school.'

School Attendance: Statutory guidance and departmental advice, DFE Aug 2013

Fleet's average attendance last year was only 93%. This is well below the level considered as the minimum for good attendance, 95%. While for most children they reached this figure, there were a number who did not. We urge you to do all you can to get your children to school. We are targeting attendance this year - it is a simple way to ensure children get the most out of school. While we understand that children get ill from time to time, it is important to build up resilience in children and not let minor ailments stop them. If a child has a minor illness e.g. mild headache, stomach aches, cold etc. please inform us but bring them in. If they don't get any better, we can contact you to collect them. It is better they try and see if the ailment passes, which it often will, rather than miss a day and fall behind. If your child is too unwell to come in, please let us know on the first morning of absence and tell us why.



Punctuality is equally important. At Fleet we have the soft start and breakfast club so children can gently adjust into the school day. We would encourage you to use these. They, and you, are able to go up to class from 8.30am onwards (please don't try to go up before this as teachers are very busy getting ready for the day). At the latest children should be in by 9am. Even a few minutes late over time builds up—see the punctuality pyramid here for more detail. If, for whatever reason, you are having problems either getting to school or coming in at all with your children, please come and talk to us to see if we can help.

Thank you for your support with this. Together we're sure we can improve the Fleet attendance figure and with it improve the outcomes for all children in our school

Macmillan Class Tea

A huge thank you to everyone for bringing in cakes and other items to sell for our Charity Class Tea in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support on Thursday after school. To all of you who helped out or came



along and bought something we thank you too. It is very heartening to see how well this endeavor was supported. A special thank you too to Margaret for organizing it so brilliantly.



Thank you!

Last year we helped to raise money to buy some chicken for the Seedlings School in Kenya. This week we received some photos to show how they are getting on! Thank you to everyone who helped to make this possible.



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Easyfundraising.org.uk

If you haven't done it already, sign up to 'easyfundraising'. It's a really simple (and free) way to donate money to the school when you shop online. All you have to do is: 1. Go to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fleets> 2. Sign up for free (or download the App if you shop on mobile) 3. Then shop as normal! Your donations will be collected by easyfundraising and automatically sent to the school. It couldn't be easier!

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—Stella, Y1—Hannah, Yr2—Frankie, Y3—Ladan, Y4—Freddie, Y5—Lul, Y6—Noora



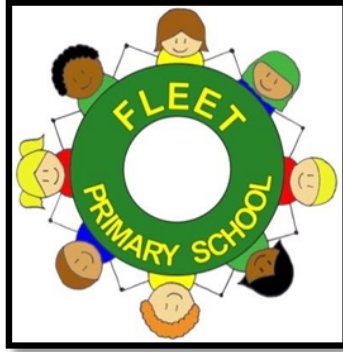
PARENTS' ASSOCIATION AGM

ALL WELCOME!

Kick-off Meeting
FRIDAY 14th OCTOBER 2016
9.15 - 10.00am
QUBE, Junior Playground

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PARENTS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Please come and be part of the first Official
AGM of The Fleet PA.

This will be a short meeting for everyone that wants to be involved.
All Parents & Carers of Fleet pupils are Members of the PA
and are invited to attend.

The PA arranges social and fundraising events so we can generate additional income, supporting school trips and extra equipment.

AGENDA

Presentation of Accounts
Planning for 2016/17 Events
Election for new positions

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Treasurer & Secretary needed to support with fundraising and events.

Chair of PA - Miranda Rennie (Esme Y1, Elodie Nursery), please email / ask if you feel able to help either with taking an official position or attending the meeting and would like more information.

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More great writing has been seen around school. We wanted to share a piece Ermal in year 3 worked very hard on and some fabulous information provided by Aya and Hanna in year 6.

TASK: I can write a letter in role by Ermal (Y3)

*My dearest mother,
I've been on a scary journey. I found a shield and a helmet and some flying shoes. After that I met the two grey sisters but I tricked the two grey sisters, stealing their eye. Next I went to Medusa's island. I found her asleep then chopped off her head!*

From Perseus

TASK: I can write an explanation about Dia de los Muertos (Y6)

To us, thinking of those who have passed seems like a sad sorrowful thought, but to the Aztecs it is a cause for celebration (Day of the Dead). So that is why the Aztecs—who started the tradition—have joyous festivals all around Mexico and fill their ancestors graves in colour. The Spanish now celebrate Day of the Dead and have now named it Dia de los Muertos, Day of the Dead in Spanish. This happy occasion takes place on the 1st and second of November. The 1st is celebrated for the children that have deceased and the 2nd is for the adults. Dia de los Muertos is now celebrated worldwide.

By Aya

Food for this event is all sweet and colourful. They make these sweet sugar skulls with all these radiant colourful sugar icing on top of the chocolate skull. They bake a special bread that they make before the festival; the bread is called 'Pan de Muerto'. Some food is eaten by families and some are put on graves.

By Hanna



Last Friday the Bike Dr's visited and managed to service over 50 bikes! Thanks to all you who supported this endeavour by helping your children to take their bikes in to school to be checked. Following this, this week some of our year 5 and 6 children have been doing a week long cycle safety course. They did really well with nearly all children confident enough to begin cycling round the local area on the roads. If you want your children to improve their skills even more, or your child wasn't able to take part, Camden run community cycle events free of charge. There are free after school community cycling sessions every week. Tuesdays outside Edith Neville School in Somers town. Wednesdays at Clarence Way Estate, Kentish Town and Thursdays at Cumberland Market Estate. These sessions run from about 3.45 to 5.30 and on Fridays, in Richard Cobden School playground, there is a session slightly later, from 4.30 to 6.30. They can provide some bikes but people are encouraged to bring their own too. These are for any age—toddler to pensioners. Parents or carers need to be present with their children and fill in a consent form. Also, any adult who lives, works or studies in Camden can have up to 4 hours individual cycle training. Family sessions are also available for children with good cycling skills of 9 years and upwards. Contact Andreas Goldner Andreas.Goldner@camden.gov.uk



Fleet gets cycling...

Kew Gardens with Year 6

On Thursday, Year 6 went to Kew Gardens. They were going to explore the sort of plants you would find in a rainforest as part of their topic on the Mayans and Aztecs. Despite getting a little wet on the way there they had a great day. Ask them to tell you something they learnt?



We can often forget how lucky we are at Fleet with the amount, and quality, of outside space we have. This picture captures it brilliantly. Last Friday, nursery could be seen basking in the late morning sunshine having their 'Teddy Bear's Picnic'. They had a fabulous time. Well done to the nursery team for reminding us how lucky we are!



Aren't we lucky?

Dates for your diary...

Mon 17-Fri 21 Oct - Year 5 to Sayers Croft (Residential)
Fri 2nd Dec - Infant Christmas Show
Sat 3rd Dec - Fleet Christmas Fair

Class Assemblies

FRI 7 OCT—YR6
FRI 14 OCT—YR5
FRI 21 OCT—YR4
FRI 4 NOV —YR3
FRI 11 NOV —YR2
FRI 18 NOV —YR1

Class Teas

THURS 6 OCT—YR6
THUR 13 OCT—YR5
THUR 20 OCT—YR4
THUR 3 NOV—YR3
THUR 10 NOV—YR2
THUR 17 NOV—YR1
THUR 24 NOV—RECEPTION
THUR 1 DEC—NURSERY

TERM DATES 2016/17:-

AUTUMN TERM

First day of term: 5th September
Half Term: 24th—28th October
Last day of term: 16th December

SPRING TERM

First day of term: 4th January
Half Term: 13th—Friday 17th February
Last day of term: 31st March

SUMMER TERM

First day of term: 19th April
May Day Holiday: 1st May (School Closed)
Half Term: 29th May—2nd June
Last day of term: 21st July

Staff inset days:

3rd January 2017, 18th April 2017

