

#### Message from the head

Happy New Year and welcome back to Fleet for the Spring Term. I hope you all had a great break and are well rested for the new year. It was so good to see all the smiling faces on Wednesday—the children looked far happier to be back at school after the holiday than I remember being at their age! Must say something about Fleet!

It is proving to be another busy term. This week in our staff meeting the teachers presented the topics they have planned for this term and I have to say I was very impressed at how well thought out they were and the broad range of subjects and experiences that were included. I'm really looking forward to seeing all the amazing work they come up with. I quite fancy sneaking along on a couple of the trips as well-they sound fabl

If you are a parent in Year 1, Reception or Nursery you should have been given a letter with a 3 question survey on Thursday. We would really appreciate your help in reading this and returning the survey. It relates to the changes affecting schools in terms of funding of Nursery places. Your views will help us to plan for how we manage our nursery places moving forward from September 2017.

Next week we have a coffee morning on Wednesday in the Qube to find out about our Parentgym programme that will be starting soon. I would encourage as many of you as possible to come along and find out a bit more about it this course. See box below for more info.

Have a fantastic weekend and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday.

# **Parent Gym Coffee** Morning—Wed 11th



#### @ 9am in the Qube

Parent Gym is a course of six 2-hour workshops with 'missions' to complete in between each one:

- Have happier and more confident children
- Get your children to open up and talk more
- Feel calm more of the time
- Make family life more fun

Over 4000 parents have already participated in this programme and 98% of those surveyed would recommend it to a friend.

This is what one parent on the course said:

"I feel like a more confident parent. I like that this was so positive, really focused on situations. This class avoided the problems I've found other book and groups or lectures and scolding. I look forward to putting these ideas into play."

It is a great help to parents, even if you're not a first time parent there is always something that can help. Come along to the coffee morning to find out more next Wednesday 11th at 9am in the Qube.

## Applying for Reception

Having a child in nursery does not automatically gain you a place for Reception. All parents need to apply for a 2017 reception place before 15th January if your child was born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013. You apply online through Camden—not through us. To apply go to: https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app If you have any questions please contact Camden admissions either by emailing admissions@camden.gov.uk or calling 020 7974 1625.

### Play Music? Willing to share with Fleet?

Please contact Lynley the music teacher: I.benbetka@fleet.camden.sch.uk or see with Lisa or Debbie.

#### Attendance Award

The award for this week goes to Year ?? with ??%. Well done to them—fabulous!

## Online shopping in the sales? Read this

Online purchases you make could help to raise money for school:

- 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. Shop online as normal!

#### Clubs

You should have received a letter today to apply for this terms clubs. Hopefully you all received the letter before the holidays regarding the charging that will now be applied to clubs. We would urge anyone who might feels this charge which stop them signing up their child/children to please come and speak to Mr M<sup>c</sup>Gibbon

### Parents' Association—Class List

The PA have set up a communication system to allow them Classlist to let everyone know about events. For it to work they need a contact email address. Please can you give your email address to the class rep for your childrens' class. Thank you.

## **Calendar Competition**

December's competition has closed. We are now accepting entries

for January's competition. December's winners will be announced in assembly on Monday and in next week's newsletter. We look forward to seeing more fabulous artwork on plants and animals found in our local area. Entries from parents have been thin on the ground—we're sure you can do better!



Amazing artwork with Real leaves and twigs from Saskia in Year 5

## Dates for your diary...

Wed 11th Jan—Parentgym Coffee Morning Fri 20th Jan—Fleet Science Dav Mon 27th Feb-Fri 3rd Mar—Fleet Writing Week Thurs 2nd Mar-World Book Day Friday 4th March - International Food Evening

#### Class Assemblies

Fri 10th Feb—Year 5 Fri 24th Feb—Year 6 Fri 10th Mar—Year 3 Fri 17th Mar—Year 2 Fri 24th Mar—Year 1

Class Teas Thurs 26th Jan—Nursery Thurs 2nd Feb—Reception Thurs 9th Feb—Year 5 Thurs 23rd Feb—Year 6 Thurs 2nd Mar—Year 4 Thurs 9th Mar—Year 3 Thurs 16th Mar—Year 2 Thurs 23rd Mar—Year 1

## Gardening

Project Interested in getting involved in

growing veg at Fleet? Let the office know so we can contact you about a planning meeting in early January.

#### SPRING TERM

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 First day of half term- - Tuesday 4th June Last day of term: 21st July

> Staff inset days: 18th April 2017, 3rd June

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Fri 3rd March — Year 4

**TERM DATES 2016/17:-**











In Year 6 this week they have started to look at the ideas of genetics, inheritance and DNA. They looked at baby photos of celebrities and themselves thinking about how we are all a mix of the genetic material of both our parents. They've started to think about variation and similarities in siblings and the science behind it. Can you guess who these cuties are from the pictures—3 are from Year 6 and one is a member of staff! If you think you know who they all are see Mr McGibbon, the first correct set claim a small prize!

As part of the 'Toy Tales' topic in Year 1 they had

a go at playing with the worlds most popular toy—Lego! They each had their own Lego set to build which had far trickier instructions than expected! Some year 2 master builders were drafted in to help—thanks to Charlie, Luke, Lily-Bo, Eden and Mishkaat for helping out Miss Webb and Anna to make sure all the year 1's could get their models built.





In year 4 they have started their new topic—'Sparks, Rhythm and Robots'.

With that as a clue can you tell what story these fabulous pieces of art represent which the children have started reading in literacy which links in with the 'Robot' theme. It was written by a former Poet Laureate . These images represent the opening of the story.

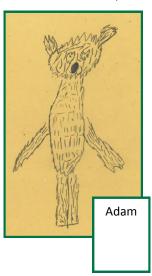








Year 1 have started their new topic, 'Toy Tales' . They begun looking at different bear soft toys and seeing what was similar and different. They then drew their favourites. These two fine examples are by Adam and Faith.





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