

Message from the head:

It has been a great start to the final half term of this academic year. There is still so much to fit in before the year ends and all the classes hit the ground running this week as you will see from the individual class pages in this newsletter.

I had the pleasure of sharing an evening and a day with the year 6 children in Wales in the middle of the week. To get back to the residential trip which the children look forward to so much after two years of not being able to go was fantastic and this incredible year 6 group certainly made the most of it. We look forward to welcoming them back to school later today—I'm guessing they will be exhausted but very happy!

Just wanted to flag a couple of dates for this term—home learning projects are due in next Tuesday. We will be displaying them in the hall after school on Tuesday and would love if you were able to pop in at pick up and see the wonderful work the children have been doing. Also this term we have Reception to Year 3 have reading open mornings—see box to right with details. I'd also like to flag the date of the summer fair—shown below.

There are a lot of trips and events in this term so please take note of dates affecting your children's class with the list of dates on the final page (also included in the Wednesday Community Notices newsletter).

I look forward to seeing you all back next week—remember we are closed Monday. Have a lovely weekend.

Reading Open Mornings Rec-Y3:

Wednesday 22nd June 9.05-9.25am

Thanks to those parents who came along to the Y4-Y6 reading open morning before half term. We hope you came away with a better idea of how children are taught reading and in particular questioning for comprehension. The next open sessions, this time for Reception to Year 3 will be on Wednesday 22nd June. We hope you will be able to come along—from 9.05am-9.25am.

REMINDER...

NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY NEXT WEEK

CHILDREN BACK TUESDAY 14th JUNE

We look forward to the Summer Fair making a triumphant return this summer.

Please save the date—
Saturday 16th July

The PA will be in touch with requests for help and plans over the next few week.



Lunch Menu: 14th—17th June

**NO SCHOOL
ON MONDAY**

Wednesday
Meat/Halal: Roast Chicken
Vegetarian: Cheese & Tomato Pin Wheel
Potatoes & Gravy
Carrots & Peas
Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Friday
Meat/Halal: Fish in batter
Vegetarian: Bean & Lentil Burger
Chips/Rice
Tomato Sauce
Mushy Peas & Baked Beans
Yoghurt & Fruit

Tuesday
Meat/Halal: Spaghetti Bolognese
Vegetarian: Vegan Spaghetti Bolognese
Green Beans & Red Cabbage
Peach & Raisin Upside Down Cake with custard

Thursday
Meat/Halal: Chicken Noodles
Vegetarian: Roasted Cauliflower & Chickpea Curry
50/50 Rice
Broccoli & White Cabbage
Chocolate & Apple
Sponge with Custard

Available Daily
Freshly Cooked Jacket Potato
Freshly Baked Bread

Please remember to let the office know if you want your child to change to or from school lunches so you are charged correctly

Punctuality Award

As in previous weeks the majority of children are getting to school on time. This week Year Reception were the champions with no lates—great effort! Overall another big improvement with only 21 across the whole school compared to 29 before half term (which was also down from the highs of the previous weeks). We really appreciate all the effort most of you make to get here on time. Please keep going with this as starting on time is so important and avoids disruption to all the children's learning. Remember, your child should be in class and ready at 9am—not coming in the gate then or after. Thank you.

Attendance Award

Our Attendance Award this week goes to Year 6 with 100% - all of them in and on school journey! Well done too to Year 3 with 99.3% and reception with 98.1%. This week we were above our target of 96% with 96.1%!
Overall for the year, at the moment we have 3 year groups above 96% for the year—Year 3, 5 and 6. Year 2 and 4 are very close. We are at 95.5% for the school for the year. Please keep doing all you can to encourage attendance for the remainder of the summer term. Let's keep improving!



Stars of the week!



Well done to these children who have been chosen by their class teachers to be the 'Star of the Week' - Well done to all these children, and to all the rest who might not have been picked this week but could have been.



Reception

You have really grown in confidence over the last few weeks and it is great to see you giving new things a try. I'm so impressed with all the new skills you have learnt and how much more confident you are to share your ideas. Well done!

Year 1

for her increased independence and confidence in lessons and for being a super kind and considerate classmate. You are doing so very well, Zara - never stop being your fantastic self!



Year 2

for your brilliant engagement with our Geography work this week. You remembered lots from our previous lessons and used your knowledge to make a fab island map. Well done!

Year 3

You've been such a reliable cast member during rehearsals, and it's been wonderful seeing you shine on stage! I also loved your persuasive writing this week - you have made amazing progress this year!

Year 4

you showed such a mature attitude during our trip to the London Buddhist Centre, asking some interesting questions and giving some thoughtful responses to the meditation in particular. Well done!



Year 5

for your brilliant attitude towards your learning - you are focused and enthusiastic and always try your very best! You show kindness and consideration to everyone around you and are an excellent role model. Well done!

Year 6

This week the entire year 6 class showed themselves to be total superstars! They took on the long walks of the Welsh coastline with enthusiasm, enjoyed jumping around in the waves and rock pooling at the beach. They were encouraging each other and have made memories to last a lifetime—every single one of them was a star this week!

Fleet Primary School Calendar Competition 2023

New Entries for
Summer Term
now being
accepted...



The Calendar Art Competition for creating a school calendar at the end of the year is still on. Due to lockdowns over the last 2 years this popular annual event has not been possible so it's great to bring it back.

Children can use any art medium in their entries as long as it is A4 in size and they can enter as many times in a term as they want.

Prizes will be awarded termly, with a selection of winning entries chosen to go in the calendar for 2023 at the end of this year.

Entries should be handed in to the school office and should have the child's name and class on the back (in pencil) along with an indication of the person or event that inspired it.

This year's theme...Lifting Limits!

This year the theme links in with the 'Lifting Limits' gender equality work we are doing in all classes and also with the racial equality work that runs throughout our curriculum. We are asking that the subject of the art be inspired by a historical figure—contemporary or older.

Think about GENDER EQUALITY - a man or woman who did something amazing and at the time, unusual or not the norm, for someone of their sex.

Think about RACIAL EQUALITY - someone again who was a trailblazer and didn't let their race, colour of their skin or religion stop them from doing something.

It could be someone we have talked about in assembly, or someone you have learnt about in class or even someone you have learnt about from your own reading or investigations.

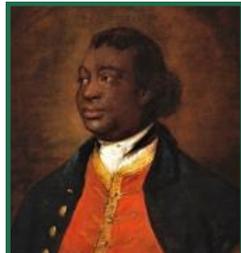
Ideas from people looked at already this year in assemblies or topics...



Flora Sandes



Great Thunberg



Ignacious Sancho



Septimus Severus



Amanda Gorman



Colin Kaepernick



Boudicca



Mae Jemison



Amy Johnson



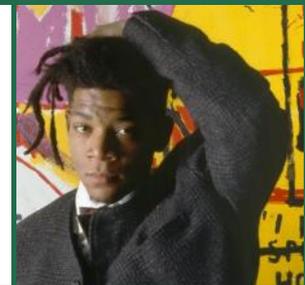
Marcus Rashford



Frida Kahlo



Beryl Burton



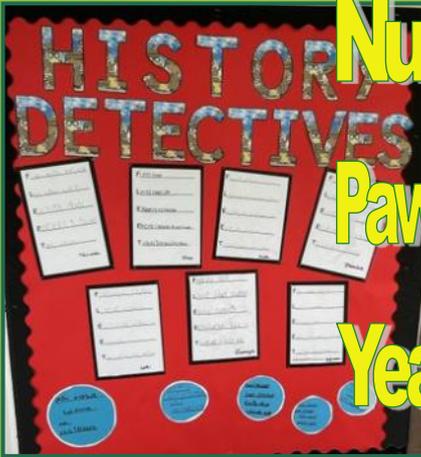
Jean-Michel Basquiat

Summer Term Topics

Nursery & Reception:

Paws, Jaws, Claws and Roars!

Year 1: History Detectives



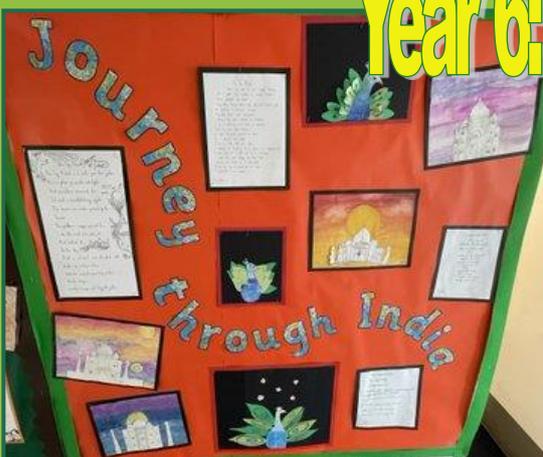
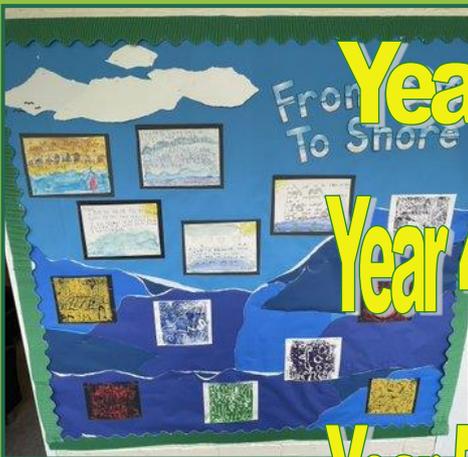
Year 2: From Sea to Shore

Year 3: Plant Power

Year 4: Spirit of the Amazon

Year 5: Journey through India

Year 6: Wild and Wonderful



This week in Nursery...

Topic: Paws, Jaws, Claws and Roars!

The story of the week this week has been 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. The children have been creating symmetrical butterflies and their own butterfly life cycles. They have also been making their own fruit kebabs thinking about the different foods that the caterpillar in the story ate. Well done Nursery.



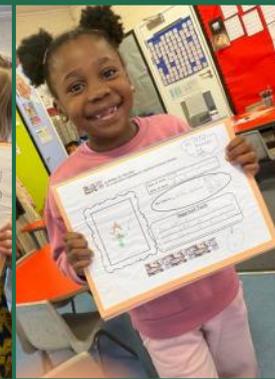
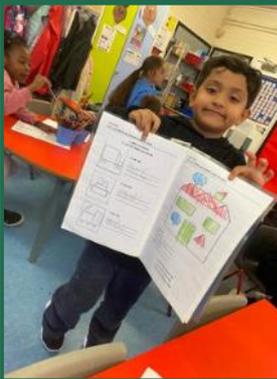
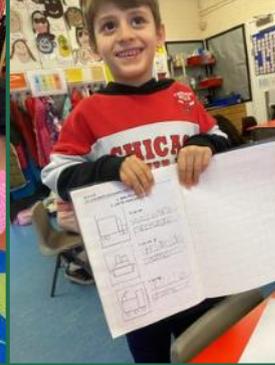
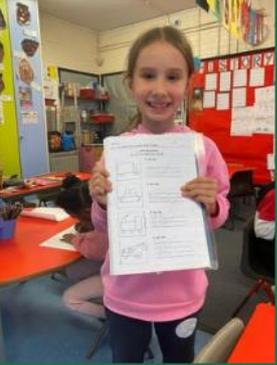
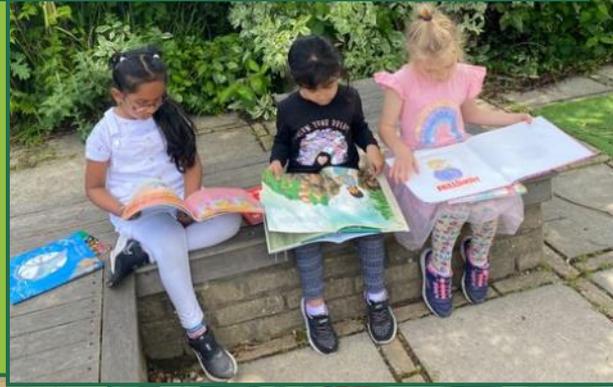


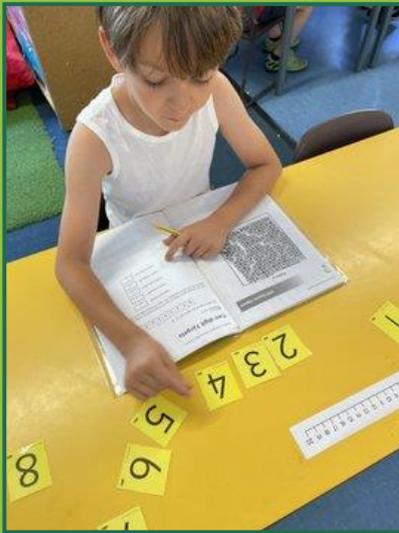
This week in Reception... Topic: Paws, Jaws, Claws and Roars!

Reception had a fantastic 'Forest School' session this week with Rebecca. They really enjoyed being out in the forest school area and doing lots of the different activities Rebecca showed them. Ask them what their favourite was—it might be hard for them to choose they did so many fun things!

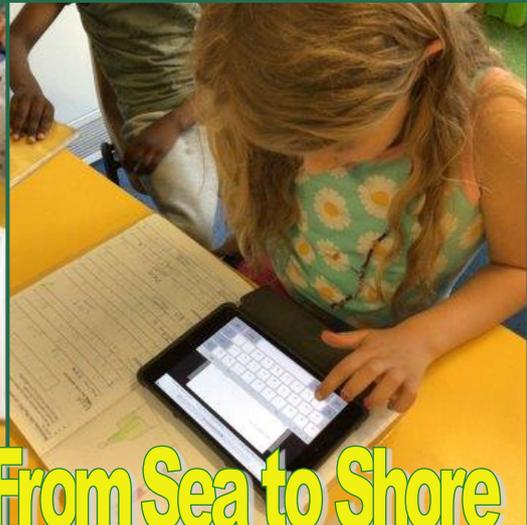
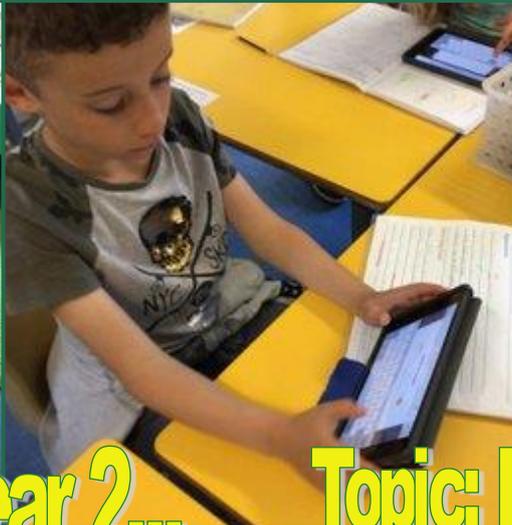
This week in Year 1... Topic: History Detectives

There has been some incredible team work on display this week in year 1—from the design and planning sessions in DT where they are going to be building towers, to the work with Arsenal on top pitch. They've also been busy enjoying the quiet area for some reading and back in class doing some fantastic writing and thinking about the fairy tale 'Rapunzel'. Another learning packed week in year 1.





This week in year 2 the children have been using all their research and writing on sea creatures to produce their very own e-books on the iPads using an app called 'Book Creator'. In maths there were lots of furrowed brows too as they were challenged with some problem solving tasks this week. They used their number knowledge and showed brilliant thinking and perseverance skills to keep going and come up with the answers. Well done year 2—a great week back to start the final half term of year 2!



This week in Year 2...

Topic: From Sea to Shore



One day Matilda saw a battered, old ship, thin pirates and a crooked skull. The scent of the grog was awful! She heard a ear-splitting AHOY! The sun was gleaming down on them. There was a fresh breeze. She thought about inviting them home but she was not sure about her mum letting them stay.



By

When Matilda got home from school, she couldn't believe what she saw. She saw a rusty, old ship and a spotty, white dog. She heard a big loud thud and the flag swishing in the wind and a boy saying AHOY! And she smelt smoke coming out from the canine and smelt stinky socks coming from the pirates. She felt the fresh wind blowing in the sky. She wanted to invite the pirates in but they will make the house messy.



By

Year 3 took some time out from the class work and their show rehearsal this week for a fantastic 'Forest School' session with Rebeca. They really enjoyed themselves and it was great to see them having an opportunity to make the use of our outdoor space for some quality outdoor learning. Then they blew us away with their fabulous performance on Friday—what superstars!



This week in Year 3... Topic: Plant Power



This week in Year 4...

Topic: Spirit of the Amazon



Just some of the things the children have been doing this week are investigating the weight of air in science, studying South America and identifying capitals and countries in geography, visiting the London Buddhist Centre to learn about Buddhism and meditation in RE and in English looking at rhyme, metaphor and simile. What a busy week!

Beginning Words

Flower - power, tower

Flying - Spring, trying

Crawl - call, fall, wall

Bird - herd, heard

High - fly, sly, My ✓

Light - flight, bright

Race - day, prey

Similes and Metaphors

- As bright as lamp light ✓

- They was higher than the moon ✓

Rhyming Words

High - Dry, bright, light, sight, night

Green - bean, dean, rain, gone, intervene ✓

B Take Back, glade, arranged, portrayed

Tea - sea, flea, tea

Bright - height, night, white, light, fight, excite

Drop - cape, scrape, grape, shape

Similes and Metaphors

S Tall as a tower.

M The trees are green umbrellas ✓

M Home to the world ✓

Rhyming words canopy

Green: dean, mean, keen, ~~dean~~ dean, gene, teen, bean, glean, between, intervene,

Hot: not, blot, slot, lot, spot, cot, shot, knot, bout, Scot.

Vine: mine, line, decline, nine, pine, shine, spine, assign, combine

wet: jet, net, bet, threat, best, yet, regret, upset, offset

sun: spun, run, pun, done, begun, sun ✓

Similes/ metaphors

trees as big as mountains, dark like a monster's heart, as green as emerald, as secret as love, as dragon trees as tall as the sword ✓

This week in Year 5... Topic: Journey Through India



As part of their work in science this term the children visited London Zoo for a work shop on adaptation and habitat. They really enjoyed getting to touch the different artefacts there including real animal skulls, bones and skins. It really helped the learning to come alive. Back in school they have been working hard too—one particularly interesting activity saw them using a website and investigating the 'carbon footprint' of different individuals from person fact files before working out their own personal carbon footprint and the affect of their lifestyles on the planet. In a few weeks they will be visiting UCS school for a climate conference where these ideas will be covered in more detail. Well done Year 5.



**This week in Year 6...
Topic: Wild and Wonderful**

Year 6 have had the best time in Gower this week. They've walked, rock-pooled, played in the waves, eaten three course meals in the hotel dining room each evening and last night boogied the night away at the end of trip disco. They'll remember this week for a long, long time. We're very proud of them and how hard they have worked this year and they showed us once again this week what a fantastic and enthusiastic bunch they are. Well done Year 6!



Dates for your diary this term...

Please bear in mind that occasionally trips may be arranged or cancelled last minute. This can happen for any number of reasons and we try, where possible, to give as much notice as we can. We also will often need adult volunteers to support on these trips so please do look out for notices on class windows or sent out via parent hub closer to the date of a trip for requests for help and contact the office if you are able to accompany. Thank you.

- **13th June:** School closed—additional bank holiday
- **14th June:** Crick Science sessions in school with Y1-6 (not Y5)
- **16th June:** Year 6 to the Zoo
- **16th June:** Year 5 to the Crick
- **16th June:** Year 4 Class Tea
- **17th June:** Year 4 Class Assembly
- **20th June:** Year 4 taking part in Camden Choir festival
- **21st June:** Reception to Little Angel Theatre
- **21st June:** Year 3 to Belsize Synagogue
- **22nd June:** Rec-Y3 Classroom Open Session for parents—Reading 9.05-9.25am
- **23rd June:** Year 2 Class Tea
- **23rd June:** Y5 Cricket at St. Christopher's School
- **24th June:** Year 5 to UCS for Climate Summit
- **24th June:** Year 2 Class Assembly
- **27th June:** Year 3 to Burgh House
- **28th June:** Reception to the zoo
- **28th June:** Year 6 to October Gallery
- **28th June:** Year 4 to Kew Gardens
- **29th June:** Year 3 & 4 to the Heath with St Christopher's School
- **29th June:** Nursery to London Zoo
- **29th June:** Y5 to Haverstock School
- **30th June:** Year 2 to the seaside
- **30th June:** Year 1 Class Tea
- **1st July:** Year 1 Class Assembly
- **7th July:** Reception Class Assembly
- **7th July:** Reception Class Tea
- **8th July:** Sports Day on the Heath
- **13th July:** Parent—Teacher drop in after school
- **14th July:** Nursery Class Tea
- **15th July:** Reception Summer Heath Walk
- **16th July:** Summer Fair (Saturday)
- **19th July:** Year 3 & 4 to Go Ape
- **21st July:** Year 6 Leaver's Assembly @2pm
- **21st July:** Year 6 BBQ @ 6pm
- **22nd July:** Last day of school year—finish @ 2pm
- **1st September:** INSET day—school closed
- **2nd September:** INSET day—school closed
- **5th Sept:** start of Academic Year 2022-23

School Closed Days This Term...

Monday 13th June—School's additional Bank holiday for Jubilee