

Message from the head: This has been a truncated week with the bank holiday on Monday. Yet, even though it's only been 4 days so much has been squeezed in by the amazing staff at Fleet for the children. There was the Morris Dancing workshops for every class on Tuesday and there have been safer travel workshops, trips to the zoo and new gardens, taking part in football competitions on top of the general business of delivering the curriculum back in the classroom.

This term, looking ahead, is going to be a very busy one. Please do check the dates for your diary on the last page (and also included in the Wednesday news letter too). I try to give as much notice for events and trips as I can through this and occasionally trips may change to check it each week (for example we've had to move the Reception Class Assembly due to a clash with Sports Day).

I'd like to take a moment to say a massive well done to Okpe in Year 3. Okpe is a very gifted footballer and has for some time been training as part of the West Ham training programme. Last weekend he had his official 'signing' ceremony to join their academy. We are very proud of Okpe and know how hard he works on developing his football skills and fitness. We also know how hard his mum works to get him across London to the many training sessions he needs to attend. Well done to them both.

Next week we have our Year 6 children sitting their SATs tests. We hope they have a restful weekend and come in ready to show how amazing they are next week. See you all on Monday—the sun is supposed to shine so please think about sun hats, water and cream for your children.



Assemblies—SACRE Determination

Daily collective worship/assemblies are a requirement by law of the school curriculum. Here at Fleet we follow this with various assemblies throughout the week—in class, in key stage groups and whole school events. For the past five years, we have had a Determination from SACRE (Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education) for our collective worship. This determination means that our collective worship/assemblies do not have to be solely of a 'broadly Christian character' as stated in the legislation. The Determination recognises that for some schools and communities sticking to a 'broadly Christian' focus is not appropriate.

Having this Determination allows us to use our collective worship/assemblies to better reflect our diverse community and cover a range of faiths and themes which truly reflects our community and ethos.

Determination from SACRE is valid for 5 years and so the time has now come to renew our Determination so that we can continue our inclusive, exciting assemblies in the same way. Ms Costelloe recently met with the school's Governing body and they have given their support to us applying to renew the Determination.

We would be interested to hear from any of you if you have any comments or questions regarding this. Please speak to Ms. Costelloe or Mr. McGibbon if you do and they will be happy to discuss collective worship/assemblies and how they operate here in Fleet.



Message from the Ambassadors

We have signed up Fleet Primary School to take part in The Big Plastic Count. It will take place from Monday 16th May to Sunday 22nd May. We'll give you more information about it next week, but we hope you'll all be able to take part and help. Thank you



School Clubs

If your child would like to sign up for a club contact the office who can advise you as to what spaces are left. Thanks.

Lunch Menu: 9th—13th May

Meat Free Monday

Tomato, Lentil and Vegetable Pasta
Or Veg and Bean Pasta Bake
Sweetcorn & Courgette
Fruit & Yoghurt

Wednesday

Meat/Halal: Herb Roasted Chicken
Vegetarian: Veg & Lentil Wellington
Potatoes & Gravy
Red Cabbage & Broccoli
Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Friday

Meat/Halal: Breaded Fish
Vegetarian: Cheese & Red Pepper Frittata
Chips
Tomato Sauce
Baked Beans & Peas
Yoghurt & Fruit

Tuesday

Meat/Halal: Turkey Burger
Vegetarian: Quorn Fillet
Potato Wedges
Rainbow Coleslaw & Sweet Potato
Peach Upside Down
Cake with Custard

Thursday

Meat/Halal: Savoury Mince Beef & Dumplings
Vegetarian: Sweet & Sour Butterbean with Noodles
Green Beans & Roasted Carrots
Pineapple Loaf 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

While punctuality was improved this week on last it is still not as good as we know it should be. There were 44 lates across the school—year 5 being the most with 10 and year 1 and 3 having 9 each. Well done to Reception, Year 6 and Year 4 with a combined total of 10! We know you can do much better. Only reception and Year 6 had less than 4 lates.

Please do your best to ensure your children are in school on time everyday. Getting to school on time makes such a difference to the start of the day for all the children. Thank you for your continued efforts to ensure the children are here on time.

Attendance Award

Our Attendance Award this week goes to Year 3 with over 99%! Year 5 and 4 also did well this week—all above our target level of 96%! Overall for the week the school was down with 94%. We know we can do better.

If we are going to reach our yearly target of 96% then we need to have excellent attendance over the summer term. We currently sit at 95.4%. Thanks for all your hard work and resilience shown by you and your children and the encouragement you provide them with. Lets keep improving!



Sport last week...

At Fleet we try to give as many children as possible the opportunity to take part in competitive sport. To do this we are part of the Camden School's Sports Association. This allows us to take part in a number of different sports throughout the year. In the last week we took part in the Camden Swimming Gala as well as a Year 3 & 4 Football Competition.

As a small school we are often competing against schools that are twice our size. As well as having more children to pick from, bigger schools benefit from having bigger budgets, more staff to lead training and take to events and often are able to provide specialist coaching (through on staff coaches or clubs) we are unable to provide. For these reasons we are always very proud of our children who, despite often starting from a position where they are less prepared and resourced than their competitors, give everything they have to work for each other and above all, enjoy themselves. We're also very thankful to our staff who volunteer to take them along to events outside of the school hours. Recent performances in cross-country for example showed us punching well above our weight! We would love to be able to offer more clubs to the children that gave them the opportunity to practice for these type of events so if any parents out there have an interest in any specific sports and are willing to give up some time to run a club please do let us know so we can plan ahead for the next academic year. In the meantime, a huge thank you to all the children who took part in the football and swimming in the last week.



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.

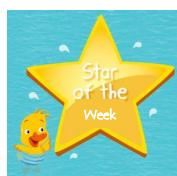


Reception—Jon

For working really hard on your reading. The adults in class are really enjoying sharing books with you and seeing how confidently you sound out and how quickly you are spotting 'tricky' words. Well done!

Year 1—Yasir

For making a great start at a new school and in a new class. You've fit right in with Y1 and you're doing some fantastic writing and Maths. Well done!



Year 2—Lola

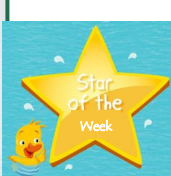
For your fantastic engagement with our topic so far. I've been so impressed with your knowledge about different sea creatures and I loved how you were even inspired to do some research at home!

Year 3—Alana

For your kind attitude! You have shown real maturity when interacting with your peers and are being such a lovely class-mate! We're lucky to have you!

Year 4—Rayn

For your excellent maths focus this week. You've worked carefully and calmly through some tricky tasks. I've also been impressed with your wonderful manners and attitude. Keep it up!



Year 5—Sara

For the hard work you have put into your learning this week! You wrote a fantastic piece on gender equality which showed excellent understanding. Well done for setting high standards for yourself in every subject and always trying your best.

Year 6—Jayda

For a mature and reflective approach to learning. You work hard to achieve your best, and take on challenges with enthusiasm and determination! Well done!

Fleet Facts!



Well done to all these children who have passed their Fleet Facts test this week!

Year 2: Robyn, Amine, Maryam, Mo, Jona, Hester, Denys, Thaddeus, Ayman, Abida

Year 3: Jarod, Daniel, Mia, Jake Sid, Okpe

Year 4: Saheim, Yara, Rayan, Ranya, Millie

Year 5: Amber-Lily, Ben, Sara

Times Tables Rock Stars of the Week!

Well done to these children who earned the most coins in their class on Times Tables Rock Stars this week!

Year 2: Abida—316 coins!

Year 3: Okpe—22,244 coins!

Year 4: Alea—8,230 coins!

Year 5: Asma—10,030 coins!

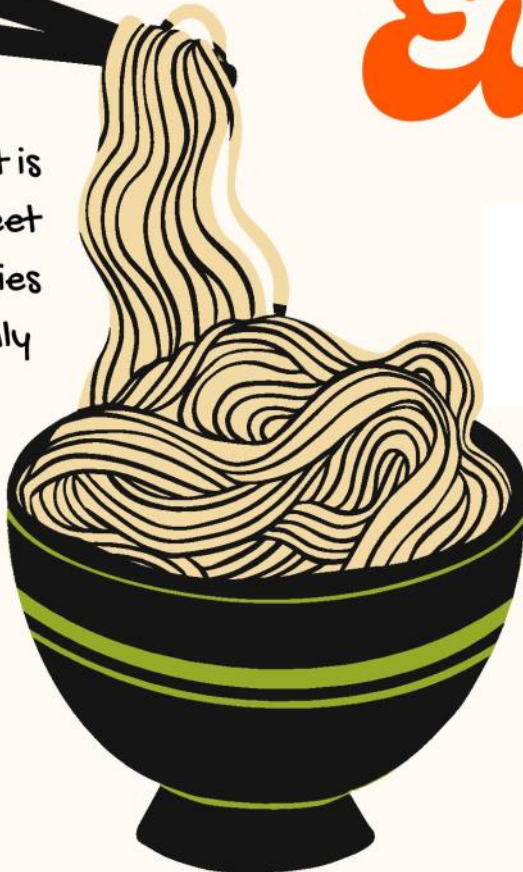


Bring a national dish to share,
and try some delicious food
from around the world!



International Food Evening

This event is
for Fleet
families
only



Thursday 12th May
5-7pm in the hall

Free entry
and free food!
Drinks available
to buy, raising funds
for the school.

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.

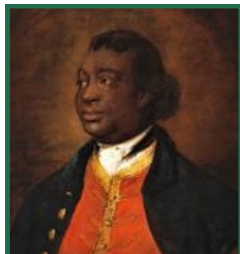
Ideas from people looked at already this year in assemblies or topics...



Flora Sandes



Great Thunberg



Ignacious Sancho



Septimius Severus



Amanda Gorman



Colin Kaepernick



Boudicca



Mae Jemison



Amy Johnson



Marcus Rashford



Frida Kahlo



Beryl Burton



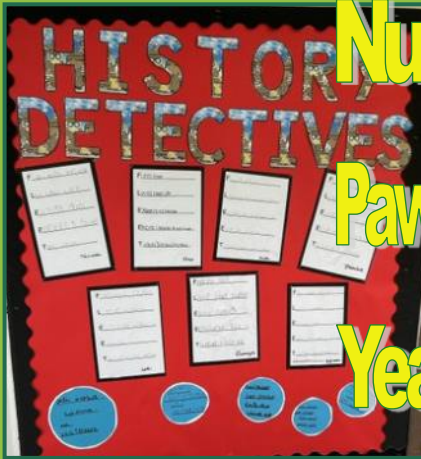
Jean-Michel Basquiat

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!

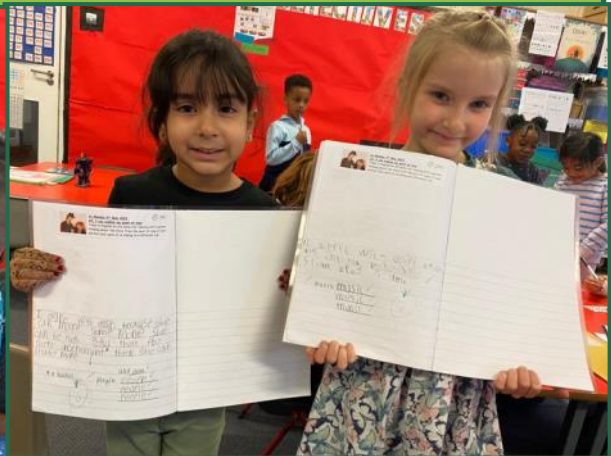
This week the children have been reading Little Red Riding Hood. They have been painting different character and thinking about their feelings. They've also had fun dancing round the Maypole and looking at puppets. Meanwhile, in Forest School, they were doing some Zome flower and leaf bashing which produced some beautiful results which they how to turn into some lovely bunting! Well done Nursery—what a great week!





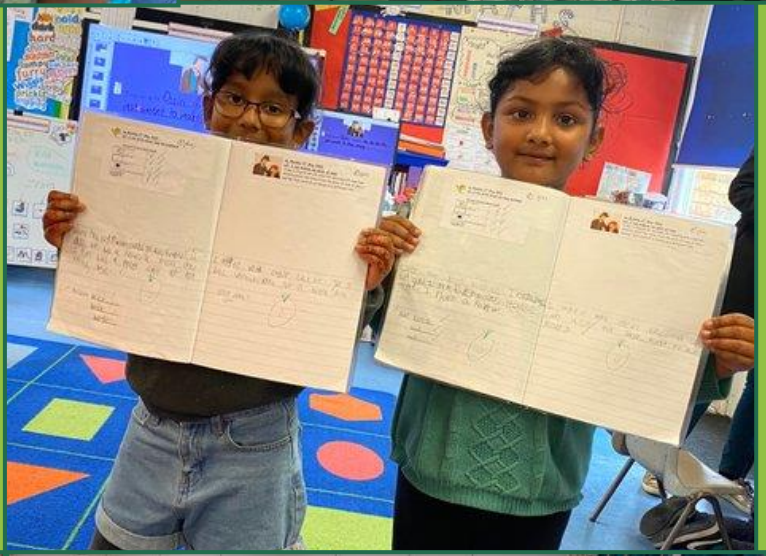
This week in Reception... Topic: Paws, Jaws, Claws and Roars!

Reception showed such great listening skills this week in their Morris Dancing Workshop—they managed to follow all the instructions and learn the dance. They've also been working hard in the classroom and outside looking at number this week. Great job Reception!



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

The children have continued with their text with doing some writing sharing their opinion on whether or not Ossiri should be allowed to get an instrument—ask them what they think. They've also been doing estimating and working together as a team covering capacity in their Maths. They had so much fun in their Morris Dancing Workshop that they then did some research on the history—true history detectives! Well done Year 1—another fantastic week.





This week in Year 2... Topic: From Sea to Shore

It's been another busy week for the amazing year 2 children. As well as the usual learning happening in class they had two special events this week—a Morris Dancing Workshop and a trip to the zoo. They learnt so much linked to their topic at the zoo they are full of animal facts! You can see from the photos what a success the trip was. Why not ask them what the highlight of the trip was for them?

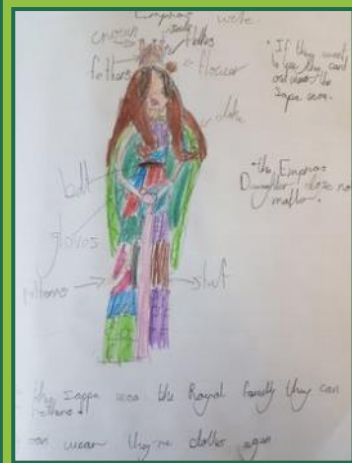


This week in Year 3...

Topic: Plant Power

It's been a very busy week for the year 3 children this week. They had their Morris Dancing workshop on Monday which was lots of fun. They made 'summer themed' focaccia bread (which looked, smelled and tasted incredible!). At the end of the week they visited Kew Gardens—doing an outdoor maths session among other things. They have also found time to finish their charcoal self-portraits and oil pastel leaf prints. Well done Year 3.





Morph Butterflies from the amazon where the subject of the art this week. Lots of experimenting with line thickness using black PVA glue and then using 'brusho' and food dye to get the shades they wanted for the body and wings. They've also been looking at what your clothes said about you and your position in ancient Incan society. They learnt some amazing facts—ask them to share about the burning of clothes after wearing just once! All this and time for a fun Morris Dancing workshop this week.

This week in Year 4... Topic: Spirit of the Amazon



This week in Year 5...

Topic: Journey Through India



Year 5 have had two workshops this week. On Monday they had fun in their Morris Dancing Workshop. Later in the week we were visited by one of the safer travel ambassadors from Camden and the children went on a road safety/road crossing trip round school. As they get older and start coming to and from school on their own a vital skill to keep them safe. Meanwhile back in the class they have been learning about levers and pulleys in science. Well done Year 5.



Wolf Brother By Riley

The towering, over-shadowing trees stretch to go on for ever.

The shivering sound of the icicles hanging above made my spine shiver. The clear morning stream seemed to wind out of the sky-scraping trees. The damp, mossy moss under the floor as though to walk across as ice. The flung sunset sky blinded my eyes as my face brushed against several shaggy, emerald leaves.

The deafening sound of gushing water to my left made my ears go numb. The pungent smell of animals carried bleached my nostrils. A sudden gust of powerful wind cut across my face. The remaining of the trees from the west as goosebumps slowly crept up my skin. The fragrance of the bushes and wild mushrooms made the forest seem as if it was a labyrinth.

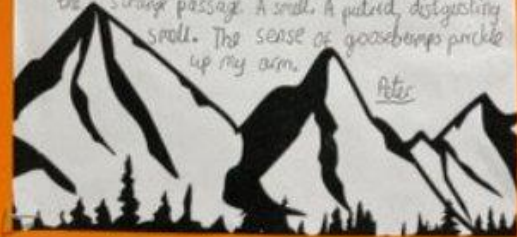
Bear claws were carved into the tree which left impression as if slipping from the animal. The streak from the rotting, decaying leaves almost made me want to the canopy could hear the distant sound of birds chirp.



WOLF BROTHER

A darkness descends. All but a continuous dip fills the air. A moment later, stillness. Above me, knee-sharp stones hang inches away. The further you'd look the more one's feet bled. Hushing pathways. The unsettling silence starts to most of the creatures. The labyrinth of rocks compose the road. Glistening green rock fill the corners of the strange passage. A small, a putrid, disgusting smell. The sense of goosebumps prickles up my arm.

Peter

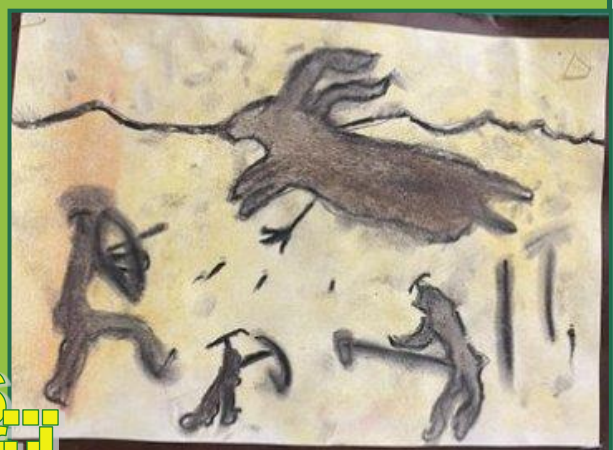


The wet emerald moss carubs all over the rough rocks, shivering in the shadows from the lack of sun light. As I strolled through the labyrinth could hear whistles coming from the sky-scraping oak trees. As I crept carefully over the twisted gnarled roots, I could hear cascading water rushing to where I did not know.

By Freddy



Morris Dancing, cave paintings, and the story Wolf Brother have been the order of the week this week alongside their reading, maths and grammar preparation before next weeks KS2 SATs tests. The children have remained enthusiastic despite the tests coming up and while they are nervous we are proud of them and know they will give the tests their best efforts. Well done Year 6 and have a restful weekend before your chance to show all your learning next week.



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



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.

- **5th May:** Year 3 to Kew Gardens
- **5th May:** Nursery-Y2 Fluoride Varnish treatment (please return forms before 5th)
- **9th-12th May:** Year 6 SATS
- **10th May:** Year 5 to the Zoo
- **12th May:** International Food Evening
- **16th May:** Year 3 to the Zoo
- **16th-27th May:** Year 6 Swimming
- **17th May:** Year 4 to the Zoo
- **17th May:** Lifting Limits Parent Workshop
- **18th May:** Class Photos taking place
- **19th May:** Y3 and Y4 to ICCUK Mosque
- **19th May:** Year 6 Class Tea
- **23rd May:** Y5 and Y2 to ICCUK Mosque
- **24th May:** Year 3 Character Illustration Workshop @ the Wallace Collection
- **25th May:** Year 3 to Chelsea Physic Garden
- **25th May:** Nursery to National Gallery
- **26th May:** Year 5 Class Assembly & Year 5 Class Tea
- **27th May:** School Closed—INSET
- **30th May-3rd June:** Half Term holiday
- **6th June:** Second Half of Summer Term starts
- **6th-10th June:** Year 6 to Gower for Residential week
- **7th June:** Year 5 to the Zoo
- **9th June:** Year 3 Class Tea
- **10th June:** Year 3 Class Assembly
- **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
- **24th June:** Year 5 to UCS for Climate Summit
- **23rd June:** Year 2 Class Tea
- **24th June:** Year 2 Class Assembly
- **27th June:** Year 3 to Burgh House
- **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
- **30th June:** Year 1 Class Tea
- **1st July:** Year 1 Class Assembly
- **7th July:** Reception Class Assembly (**DATE CHANGE**)
- **7th July:** Reception Class Tea
- **8th July:** Sports Day
- **13th July:** Parent—Teacher drop in after school
- **14th July:** Nursery Class Assembly
- **15th May:** Reception Summer Heath Walk
- **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
- **5th Sept:** start of Academic Year 2022-23