

Message from the head:

It's been a very busy week this week and the children are well and truly into their new topics. The topic displays in the corridor outside my office are changing today to reflect the new topics—pop in and have a look next week. Over the next few weeks there are already lots of exciting learning opportunities planned in terms of lessons, visits and workshops. Please check the newsletter page with the 'dates for your diary' as we add dates to this as soon as they are booked and confirmed. I am pleased to see that attendance has crept up this week, although still very low. It has been a real worry for all the staff the level of absence that some children have experienced this academic year. Having worked so hard over the last two academic years to close gaps and support children catch up in terms of the learning that was lost through the effects of the pandemic and the school closures we are seeing children missing large chunks of school again which has a danger of creating new gaps in their learning. I sincerely hope that as we go through 2023 children's health is more robust and they are not as badly affected by any bugs circulating so that they can maximise their learning opportunities. I hope that we see all those currently ill coming back soon, ready and able to enjoy what is shaping up to be an exciting and fun filled term. I hope you all have a great weekend and enjoy looking at the pictures of the children's learning from this week's newsletter. See you all on Monday.

Parent Meetings: 21st—23rd March

You may notice slight adjustments to the Parent Meeting dates as listed on Page 3's dates for your diary. This is due to teacher availability on certain days that week. Please check the days on offer for your child's class so that you have plenty notice should you need to book time off work to attend. Sign up sheets for specific day/time will go up nearer the time but we wanted to flag the dates early so you have them in your diaries.

Tuesday 21st March 2023:

- Year 1 & Year 2 meetings

Wednesday 22nd March 2023:

- Reception, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6 meetings

Thursday 23rd March 2023:

- All classes including Nursery

Fleet Calendar 2023

To order your copy of the fantastic fleet Calendar (with all artwork produced by our children) please contact the office to order one (or more!) - make a great gift!). Excellent value at £3.50 and includes all the school holiday and INSET dates for 2023.



ParentHub

The ParentHub app allows us to communicate with you all—send letters and notices—for free if you have the app installed. For those of you who do not we incur a charge every time we send you a message. Over a school year those charges build up and cost us a considerable amount of money that we would much rather be spending on staffing and improving the richness of our curriculum. At present we have 89% of the families in school signed up and using ParentHub. We want to have 100% so that we can spend that money elsewhere. If you have had any problems installing the app or adding the school and your children please speak to Lisa in the office who is happy to help.



Punctuality Award

This week, as usual, the majority of children managed to get to school on time. However, we are sorry to say the children who did not manage this and came in late has increased to nearly 60 for the week. Reception take the prize this week with 4 with no other class having less than 5. Year 2 and Year 6 really need to improve—both were into double figures this week. It is not fair on the rest of the children who get here on time for children to be regularly arriving late and disturbing the learning or others. Please ensure your child is in school early enough so that they can be sat in their class at 9am ready to start the day. For the majority of you who manage this every week, thank you.



Attendance Award

Attendance continues to be very low but is creeping up as children return from illness and we all start to build up immunity to the various bugs around. All classes bar one were above 90% this week and 3 classes were above 95% (Years 4, 5 and 6). Well done to year 5, this week's winners with 99.3%. A great effort. For the week we were at 94.2%, still a way below the 96% target we have. For the academic year we are still way down on that target at 91.8%. We would like to thank you for your support in ensuring the children miss as little time as possible and that you help us to help them to build resilience so as to maximise their time in school and their opportunities to learn.



Lunch Menu: 16th—20th January

Meat Free Monday
Cheesy Swirl with Vegetable Cous Cous or Tomato Pasta
Green Beans & Cauliflower
Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Wednesday
Meat/Halal: Roast of the day
Vegetarian: Crunchy Top Veg Bake
Roast Potatoes & Gravy
Carrot & Swede Mash & Cabbage
Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Friday
Meat/Halal: Fish fingers
Vegetarian: Omelette
Chips or New Potatoes
Tomato Sauce
Baked Beans & Peas
Yoghurt & Fruit

Tuesday
Meat/Halal: Chicken Korma
Vegetarian: Aubergine & Potato Curry
Rice
Peas & Sweetcorn
Eve's Pudding with Custard

Thursday
Meat/Halal: Burger
Vegetarian: Veggie Burger
Potato Wedges
Sweetcorn & Roasted Peppers
Seasonal Root Cake

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

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 made such fantastic progress with your reading. It is great to see you carefully sounding out and blending words. Well done!

Year 1

What a wonderful storyteller you are becoming! I'm so impressed with your writing this week. You should feel very proud of the effort you are putting in and the lovely work you are creating. Go you!



Year 2

For your fab effort and engagement this week. I've really noticed how much you're putting your hand up on the carpet to share your ideas and I loved reading your poems in English. Well done!

Year 3

For superb effort in lessons. You always try your absolute hardest and are determined to succeed. These are the qualities of a good learner! Keep it up superstar!

Year 4

For your focus and enthusiasm towards your learning this week. I have noticed that you have become more confident sharing your ideas with the class, which is brilliant! Well done.



Year 5

For your progress in Maths! You are making real strides and are making a great effort - well done and keep it up!

Year 6

You've had a great attitude to learning this week. I was particularly impressed with your reflections during our PSHE lesson on kindness and with your effort writing your river poem. Keep it up.

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.

- **12th January:** Year 1 to the Heath
- **16th January:** Reception to the Heath
- **17th January:** Year 4 to the Heath
- **16th—20th January:** Year 5 Flying in Physics workshops in school
- **17th January:** Climate Scientists visiting Y6
- **18th January:** Year 6 to the V&A
- **23rd January:** Year 2 to Burgh House
- **24th January:** Year 1 to Discover Story Centre
- **31st January:** Year 2 & Year 5 Dance Workshop in school
- **1st February:** Pitch Perfect to UCL Grant Museum (4pm—8pm)
- **2nd February:** Year 1 Open Morning—Maths
- **3rd February:** KS1 & KS2 Open Morning—Maths (not Year 1)
- **7th February:** Pitch Perfect to Bloomsbury Theatre for recording
- **9th February:** Year 3 to Wigmore Hall
- **9th February:** Year 6 Class Tea
- **10th February:** Year 6 Class Assembly
- **13th-17th February:** Half Term—school closed
- **20th Feb-3rd Mar:** Bike Training for Y3, Y1 and EYFS
- **21st February:** Year 3 to British Museum
- **23rd February:** Year 5 Class Tea
- **24th February:** Year 5 Class Assembly
- **27th February:** Book Week
- **2nd March:** World Book Day—Dress Up as your favourite story character
- **2nd March:** Year 4 Class Tea
- **3rd March:** Year 4 Class Assembly
- **7th March:** year 1 to the Heath
- **7th March:** Year 5 to Royal Observatory, Greenwich
- **8th March:** Year 2 to the Heath
- **8th March:** Year 3 & 4 Dodgeball @ Talacre after school (selected children)
- **9th March:** Year 2 Class Tea
- **10th March:** Year 2 Class Assembly
- **13th March:** Year 6 to British Museum
- **15th March:** Nursery to Kentish Town City Farm
- **16th March:** Year 2 to Regents Park
- **16th March:** Year 3 Class Tea
- **17th March:** Year 3 Class Assembly
- **20th—30th March:** Year 5 Swimming everyday
- **21st March:** Parent Meetings: only Year 1 and Year 2
- **22nd March:** Parent Meetings: only Reception, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6
- **23rd March:** Parent Meetings: all classes—Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6
- **23rd March:** Year 2 to Hampstead Heath
- **23rd March:** Year 5 Trumpets & Trombones RAH rehearsal (at Fleet)
- **23rd March:** Year 1 Class Tea
- **24th March:** Year 1 Class Assembly
- **30th March:** Year 1 to the Zoo
- **30th March:** International Food Evening—5-7pm
- **31st March:** end of term—school closes at 2pm
- **18th April:** Summer Term Starts—Children Back

Fleet Primary School Calendar Competition 2024

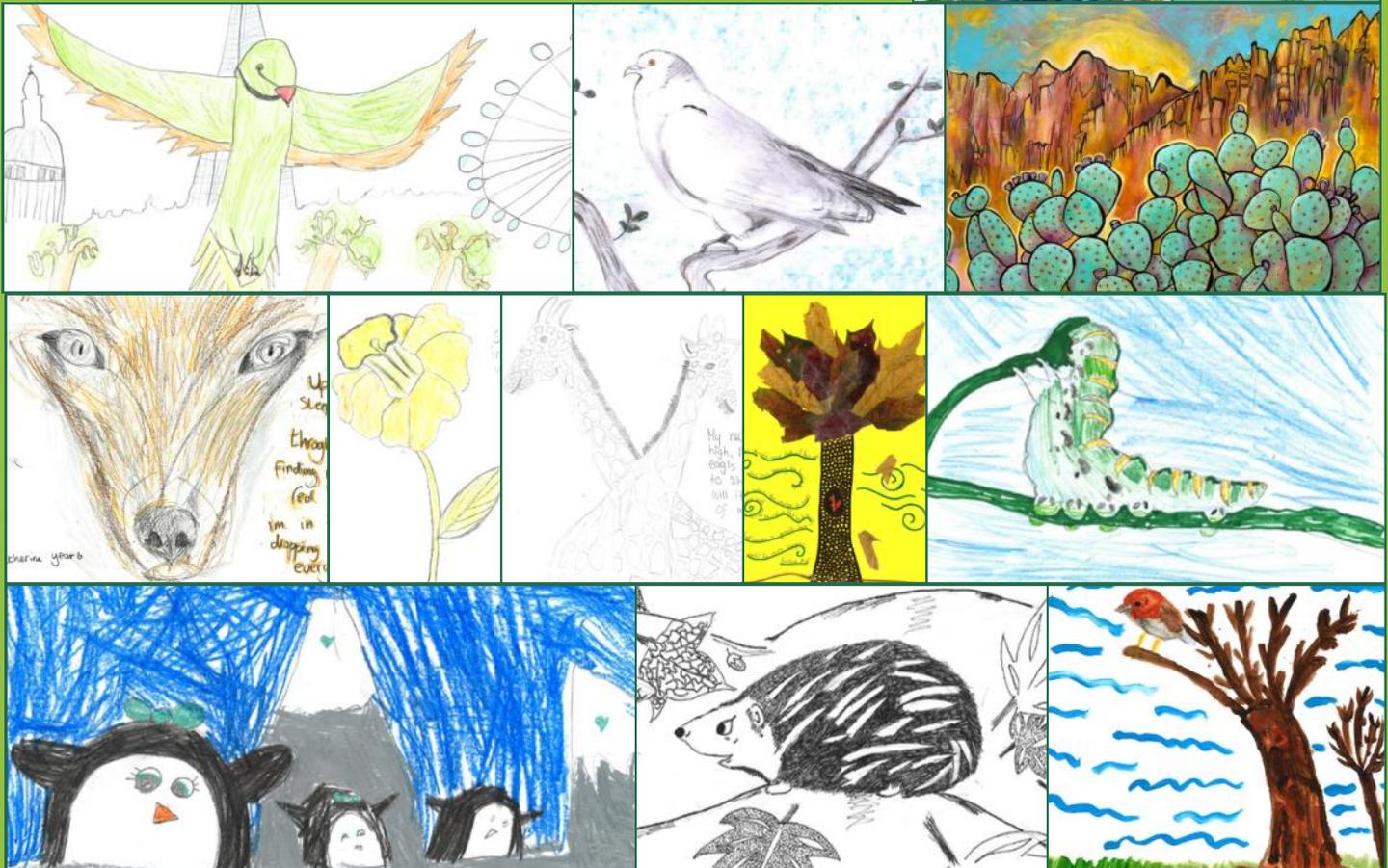
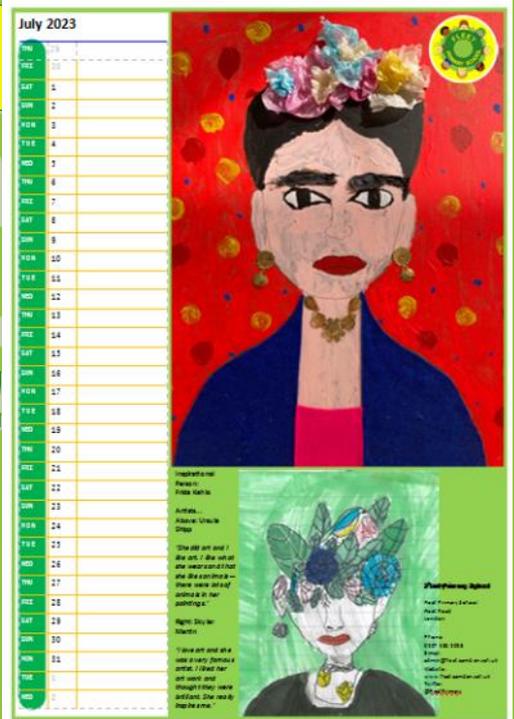
This year's theme...**A Wonderful World!**

This week in assembly we introduced to the children this year's theme for our annual Fleet Calendar Art Competition. The school's Rights Respecting Ambassadors helped to come up with the ideas.

The theme this year is 'A Wonderful World' and is all about the natural world and protecting it. Art can be inspired by nature, animals, plants, insects, birds, ocean life, habitats, protecting the environment or environmentalists—see some of the examples at the bottom of this page.

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. It is important that they put their name and class on the reverse side of the picture in pencil (don't write in pen and not on the front). They should also include a 'fun fact' about their subject written on the back too which will be included in the final calendar if their image is selected.

Prizes will be awarded termly, with a selection of entries chosen to go in the calendar for 2024. Entries should be handed in to the school



Fleet Facts!



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

Year 2: Zara, Benita, Max, Albie, Emmy, Noel, Jasmine, Yahya

Year 3: Ayman, Rocco

Year 4: Ursula, Skylar, Lottie, Noah, Arafat, Jarod, Amreen.

Year 5: Evangeline, Ena, Yara, Hana, Rayan, Millie, Alea, Tabby, Hunter, Ranya, Alfie, Yonis, Conor, Arin, Natasha, Muhib, Sienna, Florence, Nadeem, Gabi

Year 6: Isabella, Esema, Harea, Nasiru, Riley

Times Tables Rock Stars of the Week—this week!

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

Year 2: Albie & Inaaya—464 coins!

Year 3: Rocco—3,309 coins!

Year 4: Jarod—8,473 coins!

Year 5: Ena—16,572 coins!

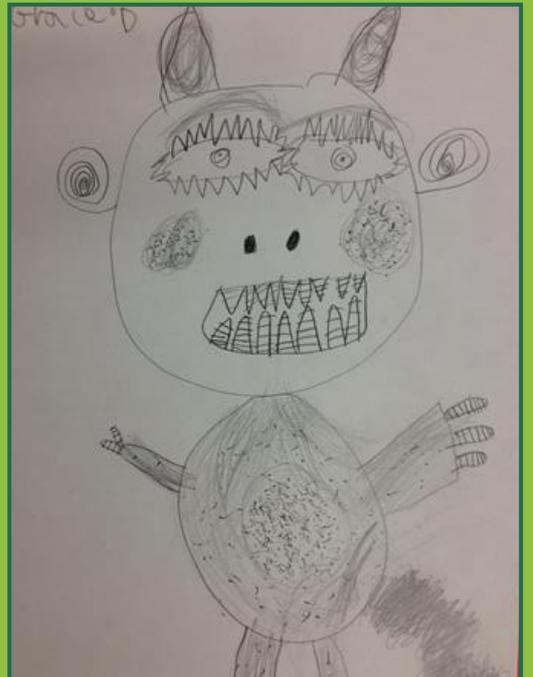
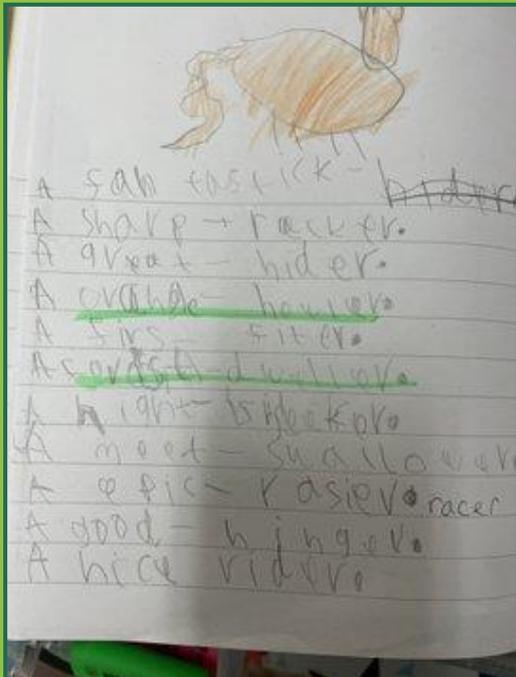
Year 6: Tawfiq—3,416 coins!

This week at Fleet...

Trips and visitors have begun again for the new term topics with Burgh House delivering an art workshop here for Year 6, Year 3 visiting the October Gallery and Year 1 doing a Heath Walk in the last week. Many more are planned for the coming weeks—see the list of events already booked in on page 2. On top of this there has been paper making and clay work in year 6, painting of Greek Gods and Goddesses in year 3, Art inspired by Andy Goldsworthy in Year 2, poetry and writing inspired by rivers in Year 6, animal inspired poetry and plant science experiments in year 2, exercise science in year 6 and Gruffalo inspired activities in Nursery (including making Gruffalo crumble!). It has been a very busy week in every class as you can see from the bumper crop of photos on the following pages!

This Term's Topics

- Nursery:** Giant Paws and Monster Roars
- Reception:** Let's Go to the Shops
- Year 1:** Wild Things
- Year 2:** Seeds and Thneeds
- Year 3:** Glorious Greeks
- Year 4:** We are Heroes
- Year 5:** Just Beyond the Stars
- Year 6:** Arabian Nights



This week at Fleet...

A tree-dweller
A worm-muncher
A grave-avoider
A strong-helper
A trunk-hider
A pecking-lover
A gray-cow-like filer
A wood-pecker



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The river seeked her way to the banks, and
lay on the rocks to catch a breath.
As she got back up
shore, the cold air

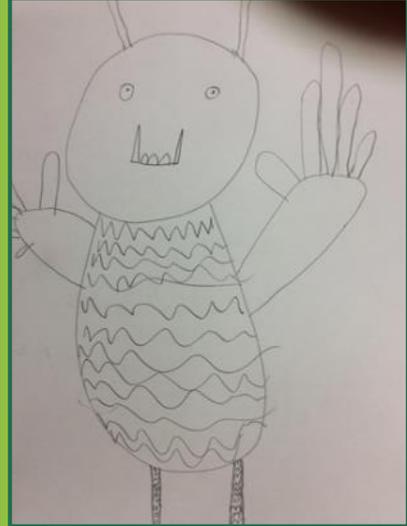
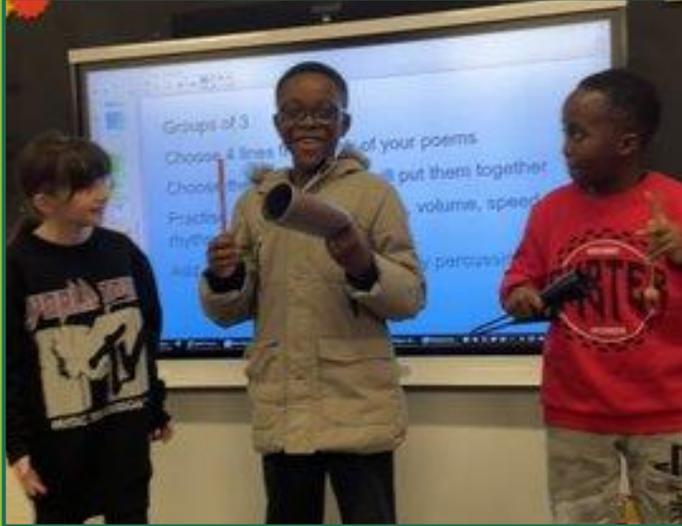


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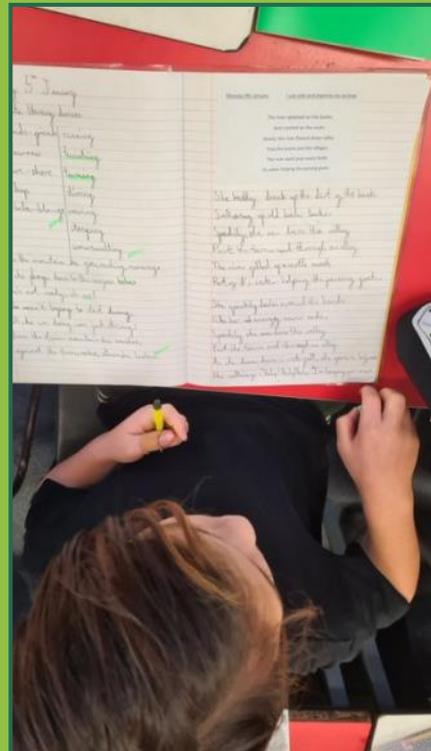
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A night-walker.
An animal-avoider.
A black-badger. animal ^{nee}
A large-liver.
A insect-eater.
A ground-dweller.
An excellent-digger.
A big gobbler.
A nocturnal-walker.
A night-swallower.



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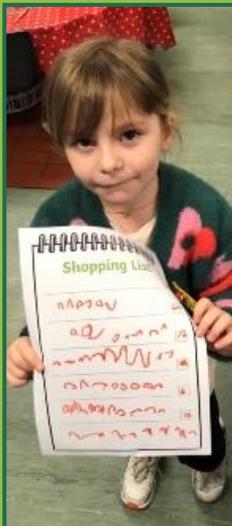
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