

## Message from the head:

I hope you all had a good half term break and the weather didn't impact too much on your plans. With first storm Babet and now storm Ciaran, it seems we are going from one unsettled spell to another. Please do remember to send in the children appropriately dressed for the time of year. Often, it may be dry in the morning when they leave for school, but they should always bring in a coat as the weather can change quickly. They spend various periods outside during the school day and so it is important they are warm and dry.

You may have noticed that I have not been on the gate this week and not been in school. I have had to travel up to Scotland to look after my mum who has had an operation. Being away from school for the start of term has been difficult, but sometimes family commitments take precedent. I am fortunate to have a very able and supportive Senior Leadership Team and staff and so have been keeping on top of things from Scotland. I know from Becca, Rhian and the other staff that the children have made a settled start back to the term and I am especially grateful to Becca, Debbie and Lisa T who I've been constantly badgering with emails and calls while I've been absent so I can keep up with everything! I am looking forward, all things being well, to be back in London and at school on Monday.

Certainly looking at the photos teachers have been sending me, and that you can see in this newsletter, it's been a busy start to the half term. I was gutted to miss this week's Halloween disco and by all reports it was a massive success. The pictures I have seen look amazing with lots of very cool costumes on display. Not being there did mean I dodged the difficult decision of picking the winners for the costume competition—well done to Luis in Reception and Robyn in Y4 who won prizes for their amazing costumes and also to Jarod in Y5 for winning the best dancer award! A huge thank you to all the parents from the Parents' Association who made this event happen.

Next week, we have our next parent workshop—as advertised for the last few weeks—it is a 'Children's First Aid' course. This was actually something that a parent requested in last year's parent survey. It's proved popular and we have filled all places but do put your name down on Lisa's waiting list in case a place comes up. If we have an indication there are a number of parents interested that we can't fit in this time, we may be able to look at running again in the future, so do let us know. Please do let us know about any other requests you might have for information/workshops that we could run in school. The chances are, if one of you thinks something may be useful, others will too.

Have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you all back on the gate as usual next week.

## Home Learning Projects

### Exhibition—after school 7th November and before school 8th November

We've already seen a number of holiday home learning projects coming in from Years 2-6 and they are looking fantastic. The deadline to bring in work is next Tuesday (7th November). We will be sharing them in class and then celebrating them with an exhibition in the Hall after school on Tuesday and before school on Wednesday.

As a reminder, the task is to create a 'project' - be that writing, artwork, model, computer presentation—anything at all—inspired by an aspect of their topic they have been learning about all term. We can't wait to see what amazing ideas the children have had.



## Parent Workshops

We have managed to arrange a number of parent workshops this term based on feedback and requests from parents. See below for details.



**Tuesday 7th November:** *First Aid Training for Parents (limited spaces—need to sign up—only waiting list places available)*

**Friday 17th November:** *Supporting Children with Challenging behaviour (including 'zones of regulation')*

**Wednesday 31st January:** *Creating healthy boundaries around screen time and healthy media*

## Lunch Menu: 6th—10th Nov

### Meat Free Monday

Vegetarian:  
Tomato Pasta or  
Cheesy Swirl  
New Potatoes  
Vegetables of the day  
Carrot Cake

### Wednesday

Meat/Halal:  
BBQ or Lemon & Herb  
Chicken  
Vegetarian:  
Vegan Quorn  
Jolof Rice  
Seasoned Potatoes  
Vegetables of the day  
Fresh Fruit Medley

### Friday

Meat/Halal:  
Fish Fingers  
Vegetarian:  
Chinese Veg Noodles  
Chips  
Tomato Sauce  
Vegetables of the day  
Vanilla Shortbread

### Tuesday

Meat/Halal:  
Chicken Tikka Masala  
Vegetarian:  
Lentil & Sweet Potato  
Curry  
Rice  
Vegetables of the day  
Apple Crumble  
& Custard

### Thursday

Meat/Halal:  
Spaghetti Bolognese  
Vegetarian:  
Veggie Meatballs  
Rice & Garlic Bread  
Vegetables of the day  
Chocolate Drizzle 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**

## Punctuality Award

Lates are creeping up again this week, increasing to 37, compared to 31 before the half term break. Thank you to the vast majority of you who arrive everyday on time—we have been really impressed by the positive start to this year, however—we need to ensure that we keep up good punctuality. Well done to our winners, Year 6 with 0 lates at all! Year 4 in second place with 2 lates, Year 5 in third place with 3 lates, Reception in fourth place with 4 lates, Year 1 in fifth place with 6 lates, Year 4 in sixth with 7 lates and Year 3 in last place with 9 lates.

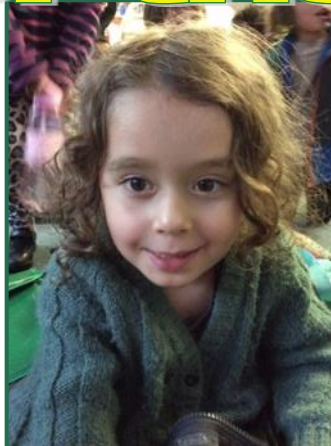


## Attendance Award

Attendance has dropped for the second week running, down from 93% before the half term break to 92%, which means we are below our target of 96% again. All year groups were below 96%, with the exception of Year 6 who are our winners this week with 99%, followed by Year 5 (95.6%), Year 2 (93.4%), Reception (90.9%), Year 3 (90.2%), Year 4 (88.5%) and Year 1 (87.4%). Well done to the children who are in school everyday!

Our low attendance is mainly due to illness and families going away during term time and extending their holidays over the half term break. Holidays in term time will not be authorised by the school and will be passed to the Camden attendance service where you will receive a fine.

# Stars of the week!



## Nursery

For your fabulous number skills and counting. We are so impressed with how high you counted when you built a very tall tower of pegs.

## Reception

For such fantastic focus on what you choose to do with your learning time. You stick with activities until you reach the desired outcome. It is wonderful seeing you make such good use of your learning

## Year 1

For arriving each day with such a positive attitude. You are inquisitive, always asking questions and keen to learn. Well done!



## Year 2

For your great effort and focus at the October Gallery. We were so impressed with your great listening and your fantastic art work! Well done you.

## Year 3

Musa, for always trying to give your best! You take pride in your work and always ensure it is of a high standard. Keep up the fantastic attitude!

## Year 4

For two reasons! Your efforts in swimming this week have been so impressive - you are so resilient and are already making fast progress! I've also been so proud of you for your excellent efforts in Maths - you should be very proud of your achievements! Well done, superstar!



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.



## Year 5

For your hard work in English this week. You wrote a fantastic letter about the Lindisfarne raid, carefully choosing vocabulary for effect and using show not tell. Well done!

## Year 6

For your excellent teamwork during our drama lesson this week. I was really impressed by your effort, support and encouragement of others! Well done!

# Term Dates for 2023-24

## AUTUMN TERM

First day of term	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2023
Last day of term	Nursery- Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 Reception- Year 6- Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2023- close @ 2pm

## SPRING TERM

First day of term	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2024
Last day of term	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 – close at 2pm

## SUMMER TERM

First day of term	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 - school closed
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2024

## STAFF INSET DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
1 <sup>st</sup> half term	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
2 <sup>nd</sup> half term			Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2024

Please note Nursery and Reception start dates in the Autumn Term differ due to home visits and phased transition. You will receive your child's start date as part of the welcome pack and will be discussed at the meeting prior to the Autumn Term start. |

# Fleet Facts!



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

**Year 2:** Astrid, Waed, Yaseen, Zaina, James, Rron, Diez, Sera, Sovan, Robin, Salamah, Ilyes, Yusuf, Krena

**Year 3:** Max, Timur

**Year 4:** Amina, Amine, Ayman, Jona, Leo, Mason, Millie, Naz

**Year 6:** Millie, Alfie, Hunter, Evangeline, Rayn, Sufiyan, Yonis, Tabby, Emma, Yara, Alea, Gabi, Natasha, Saheim, Sienna, Nadeem, Arin, Ranya

## Times Tables Rock Stars of the Term!

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

**Year 3: Zara—1,160 coins!**

**Year 4: Alfie—7,246 coins!**

**Year 5: Okpe—3,830 coins!**

**Year 6: Ena— 21,374 coins!**

## Numbots Star of the Week!

**Year 2: James—5,825 coins!**

# Dates for your diary this term...

Please bear in mind that occasionally trips may be arranged or cancelled last minute. Where possible we will give as much notice as we can. We need adult volunteers to support on these trips so please do look out for notices on class windows or sent out via parent-thub closer to the date of a trip and contact the office if you are able to accompany. Thank you.

## WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS

7th November	Parent Workshop—First Aid Training—limited places—please sign up
7th November	Institute of Imagination Workshops—KS1 & KS2
7th November	Home Learning Project Exhibition in the hall—Y2-Y6
13th November	Anti-bullying week
13th November	School Photographer in—Individual Children's Photographs
17th November	Parent workshop—Supporting Children With Challenging Behaviour
21st November	Citizens Advice Session—Contact Lisa for an appointment
28th November	Parent—Teacher Meetings after school—Y2
29th November	Parent—Teacher Meetings after school—Y1, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6
30th November	Parent—Teacher Meetings after school—Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6
11th December	Nasal Flu Vaccinations—opt in—letter will be sent out
15th December	Christmas Lunch
19th December	Infant Class Christmas Parties
20th December	Junior Class Christmas Parties & Junior Talent Show
21st December	Last Day of Term—finish at 2pm (Nursery finish the day before usual time)
9th January	First Day of Spring Term—School reopens
31st January	Parent Workshop—Creating Healthy Boundaries around screen time/media

## Parents Association Events

Sat 2nd Dec	Winter Fair
Thurs 25th April	International Food Evening
Sat 6th July	Summer Fair

## YEAR 4 2023-24

30 Oct—10 Nov	Swimming—everyday (2 wks)
21st November	Cinema—Camden Odeon
22nd November	Trip to Keats Library
24th November	Trip to the CLC
28th November	Sport at Talacre (AM)
29th & 30th Nov	Parent-Teacher Meetings
30th November	Trip to Tower of London
5th December	Sport at Talacre (AM)
12th December	Sport at Talacre (AM)
13th December	Trip to Keats Library
14th Dec	Junior Christmas Show—10am (anyone) & 7pm (ticketed)

## YEAR 5 2023-24

7th Nov	Sport at Talacre (AM)
14th Nov	Sport at Talacre (AM)
15th Nov	To the Cinema: Camden Odeon
20th Nov	Trip to the CLC
21st Nov	Sport at Talacre (AM)
27th Nov	First Aid and Defibrillator Training Workshop
29th & 30th Nov	Parent-Teacher Meetings
14th December	Junior Christmas Show—10am (anyone) & 7pm (ticketed)

## YEAR 6 2023-24

13th November	Camden Citizenship Training
21st November	Trip to Hackney Empire (back late—around 4pm)
27th November	Trip to the Royal Institute
29th & 30th Nov	Parent-Teacher Meetings
14th December	Junior Christmas Show—10am (anyone) & 7pm (ticketed)



## NURSERY 2023-24

21st November	Trip to Keats Library
30th November	Parent Run Class Tea
8th December	Infant Christmas Show—10am
13th December	Trip to theatre
20th December	Last day of term for Nursery

## RECEPTION 2023-24

10th November	Parents Stay and Play Session
16th November	Heath Walk
16th November	Parent Run Class Tea
1st December	Trip to theatre
8th December	Infant Christmas Show—10am

## YEAR 1 2023-24

9th November	Parent Run Class Tea
10th November	Class Assembly
29th & 30th Nov	Parent-Teacher Meetings
8th December	Infant Christmas Show—10am

## YEAR 2 2023-24

9th November	Sport at Talacre (AM)
16th November	Sport at Talacre (AM)
17th November	Trip to the CLC
28th & 30th Nov	Parent-Teacher Meetings
7th December	Parent Run Class Tea
8th December	Infant Christmas Show—10am

## YEAR 3 2023-24

22nd November	To the Cinema—Camden Odeon
23rd November	Sport at Talacre (AM)
29th & 30th Nov	Parent-Teacher Meetings
30th November	Sport at Talacre (AM)
7th December	Sport at Talacre (AM)
14th December	Junior Christmas Show—10am (anyone) & 7pm (ticketed)

# Fleet Primary School Calendar Competition 2024

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

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.

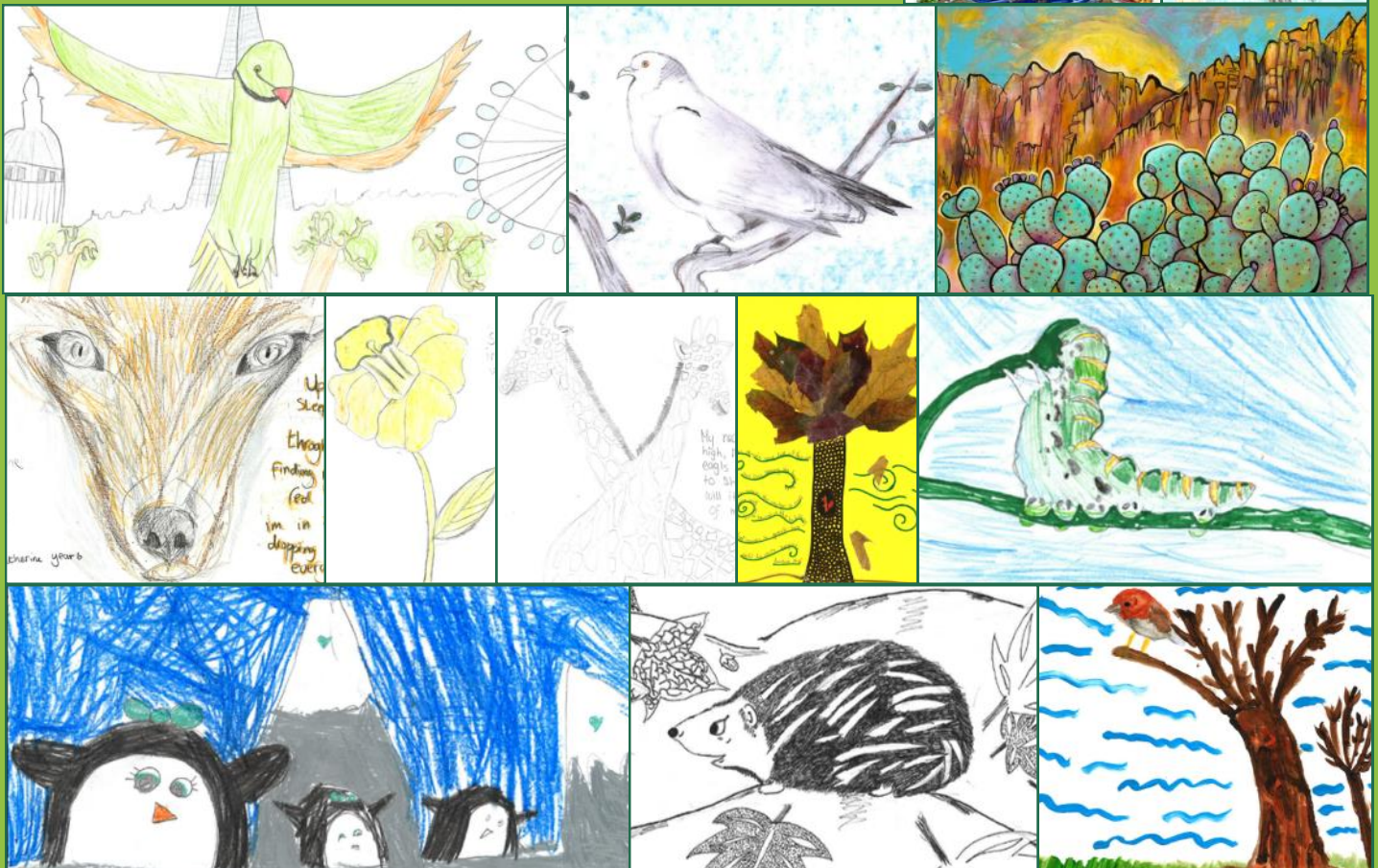
Children can use any art medium in their entries as long as it is A4 in size and they can enter as many times in a term as they want. It is important that they put their name and class on the reverse side of the picture in pencil (don't write in pen and not on the front). They should also include a 'fun fact' about their subject written on the back too which will be included in the final calendar if their image is selected.

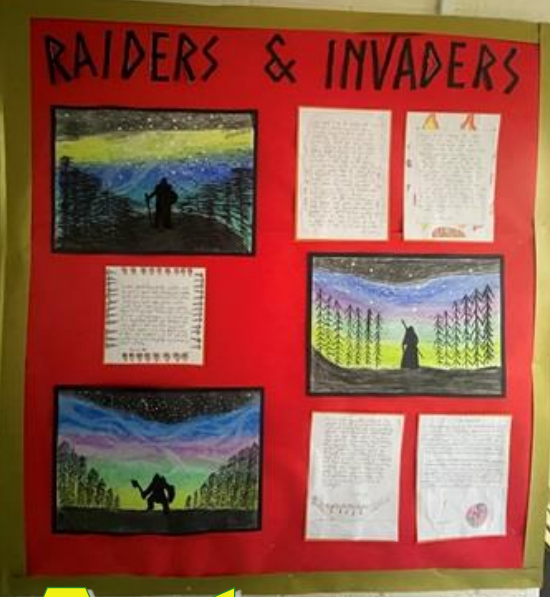
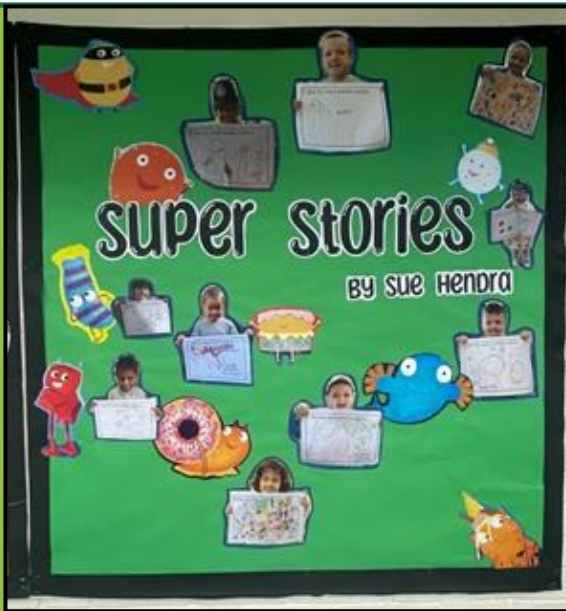
Prizes will be awarded termly, with a selection of entries chosen to go in the calendar for 2024. Entries should be handed in to the school office. We have some very talented artists at Fleet and we can't wait to see the fantastic pieces the children come up with. Deadline for this term is December 1st Good luck!

July 2023	
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**Fun Fact:**  
Frida Kahlo  
Frida Kahlo was a Mexican artist. She was known for her self-portraits and her work in folk art. She was also a political activist and a feminist. She was married to the famous Mexican muralist Diego Rivera.

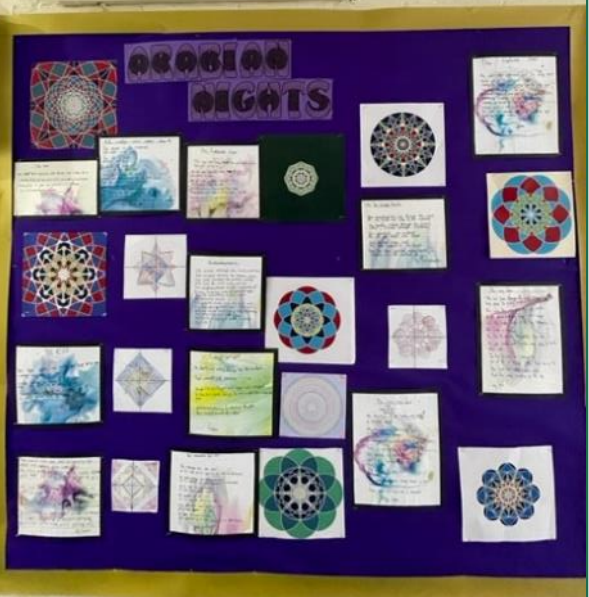
**Fun Fact:**  
The girl who painted this picture is called Alice. She is 10 years old and she lives in Fleet. She likes to draw and she likes to read books. She likes to draw pictures of animals and she likes to draw pictures of people. She likes to draw pictures of things that are interesting.





Come and see the displays in the admin block!

Year 6:  
Arabian Nights  
Year 5:  
Raiders & Invaders  
Year 4:  
Togas to Tunics  
Y3 - Fierce Earth



# Autumn Term Topics

Year 2: All Around the World  
Year 1: Lost!  
Reception: Super Stories by Sue Hendra  
Nursery: Marvellous me and my family tree!

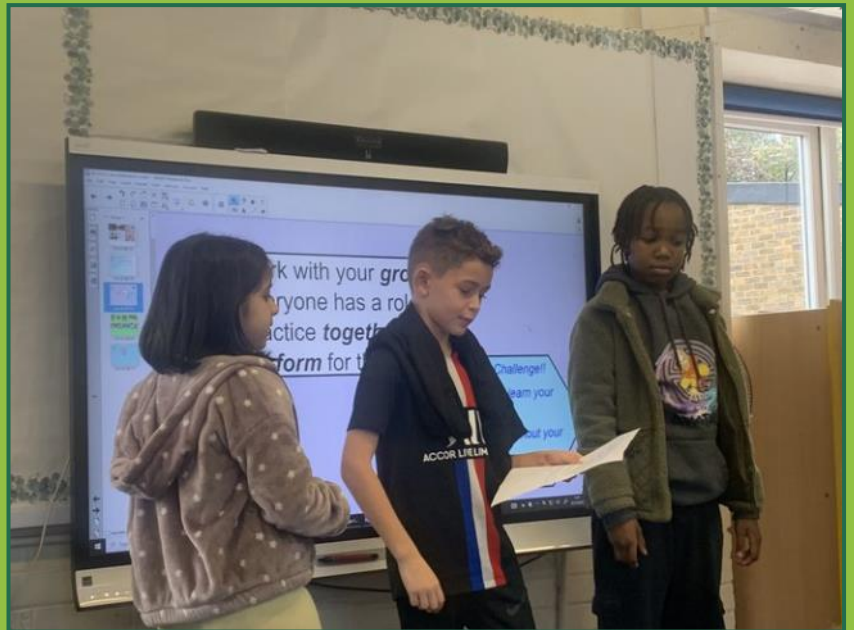
# This week at Fleet...

The first week back has started with the usual flurry of activities. Year 4 made a start to their 2 week intensive swimming training with going to the pool everyday this week, Year 5 have been doing their Level 2 Cycle Training—a number making it out to practice their skills on the local roads. Both of these are vital life skills and we are pleased to be able to offer them to the children at Fleet. Elsewhere in the school, we've had trips out to the October Gallery and Science Museum, while back in school the children have got straight back into their topics with some fabulous Drama, Art, English and Maths taking place while also having some Halloween themed fun! We hope you enjoy the next few pages looking at the photos, which are just a snapshot of some of the fantastic work going on for the children this week in Fleet.



## Congratulations to our Y5 & Y6 Football teams!

This week our Year 5 and Year 6 boys and girls football teams got off to a solid start in the Camden Schools Football league. The girls won one of their first 3 fixtures, narrowly losing the others. While the boys triumphed in all 3 of their matches including a 10 v 0 win! Scoring 17 and only conceding 2 across all three matches.





# Year 3 Class Assembly



Well done to Year 3  
for a great assembly  
all about the Stone Age!



# Halloween Disco!



# Cycle Training with Year 5!

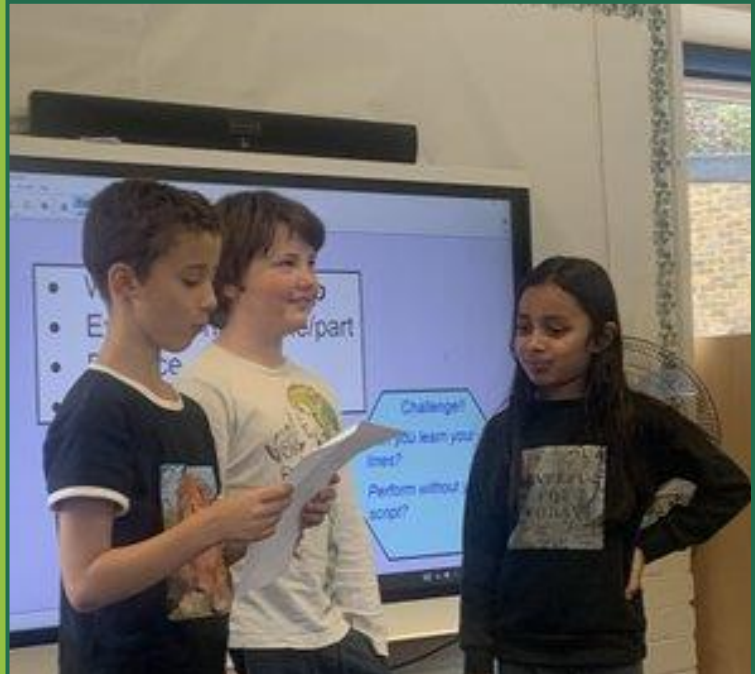
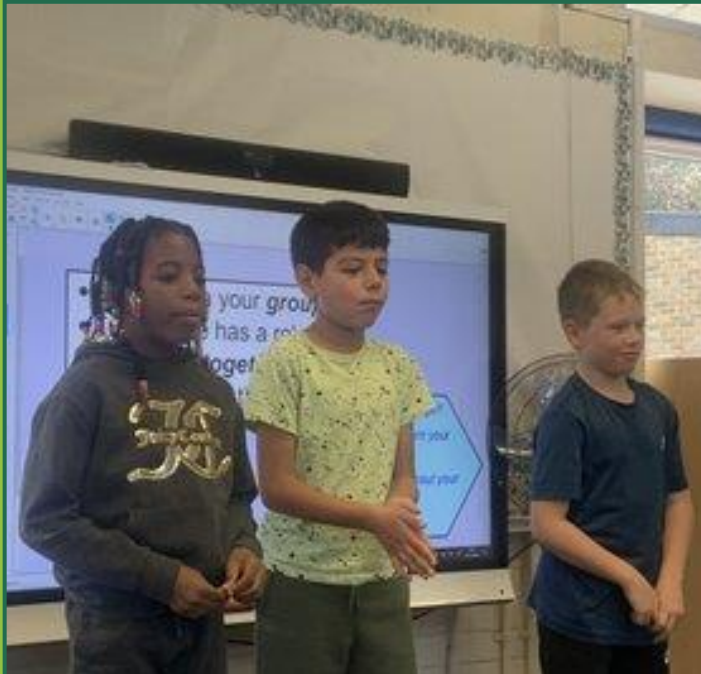
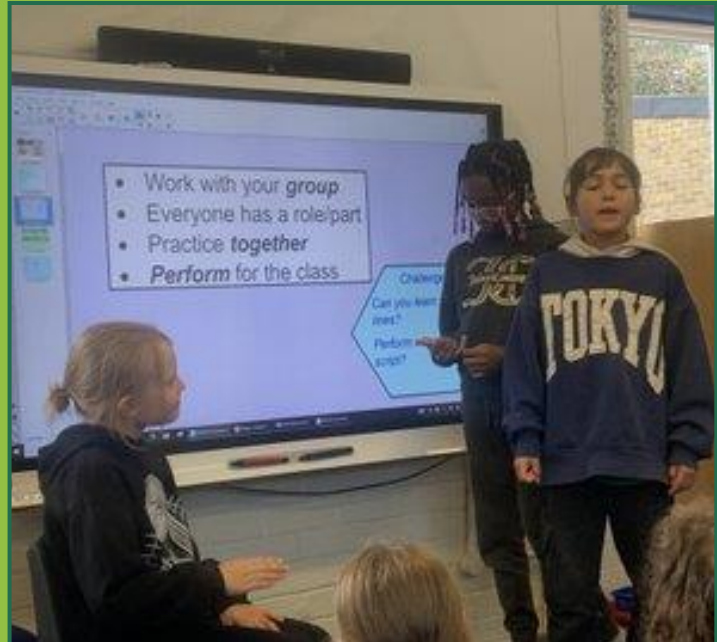


To support your children build on the skills they have learnt this week visit this page For information about free courses run locally by Camden:  
<https://www.camden.gov.uk/cycle-skills-and-bike-maintenance-courses#lyyy>

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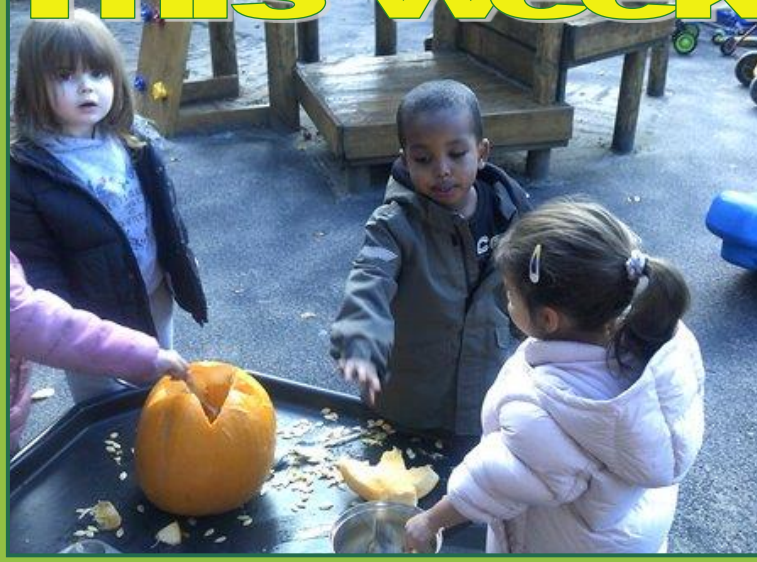
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