

Message from the head:

Welcome back to you all and welcome for the first time to any of our new families to our first weekly Friday newsletter. Despite being a short week for the children, lots already has been happening this week with classes launching straight into the new topics. See page 5 and 6 for some wonderful photos of the different learning that has been taking place across the school as the children settle into their new classes.

We welcomed in the first group of our new reception class today and more will be coming in early next week as they start their primary school journey—some old faces we know well from our nursery and siblings as well as some new children and families to Fleet. I know you will all make them feel part of our wonderful school community. That goes also for the children across the school who have joined us this week—it's great to have you with us. Already a number have come in this week and your children are, as always, being incredibly kind and nurturing helping them feel at home. Next week we have the class curriculum meetings for Years 1-6—see the box to the right with details for the different classes. Please do come to these important meetings. I'd like to introduce two new members of staff to you—Anne Darlington is our new Early Years Practitioner, taking over from Margaret in the Nursery, while Blaise Yalala is the new Site Services Officer taking over from Tony. I know you will all make them welcome. Have a great weekend and we look forward to seeing you next week.

Clubs

Thank you to all of you who managed to do your club request using the online form this week and in on time. You should receive a message via parent hub today with the club places your child has been allocated—all will be starting from next week. There may still be some places available in certain clubs so please contact the office if you haven't already requested any and would like one for your child. As it stated in the letter that went out, please come and speak to us if cost is stopping you signing up your child. No child should miss out due to financial restrictions and we will do all we can to support this aim.

Request for Leave during the School Term

Request for leave for holidays/travel abroad will not be authorised by the School. As you are aware, leave will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. The half term week this term is Monday 23rd—Friday 27th October. The last day of this term is Thursday 21st December and the children return on Tuesday 9th January. Please ensure that you book any holidays within these date ranges. Please note that, Under Section 444(1) of the Education Act 1996, the Camden Education Welfare Service may issue a Penalty Notice/s for absence during the school term.

Lunch Menu: 11th—15th Sept

Meat Free Monday

Vegetarian:
Veg Lasagne or
Chick Pea Curry
Rice
Sweetcorn & Broccoli
Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Wednesday

Meat/Halal:
BBQ Herb Roast Chicken
Vegetarian:
Veg & Bean Fajitas
Roasted or New Potatoes
Carrots & Peas
Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Friday

Meat/Halal:
Breaded Fish Fingers
Vegetarian:
Spanish Omelette
Chips or Cous Cous
Tomato Sauce
Baked Beans & Peas
Yoghurt & Fruit

Tuesday

Meat/Halal:
Chicken/Pork Sausage
Vegetarian:
Veg Sausage
Potato Wedges
Green Beans & Cauliflower
Chocolate & Orange
Brownie

Thursday

Meat/Halal:
Beef Lasagne
Vegetarian:
Veg Risotto
Garlic Bread
Sweetcorn & Green Beans
Apple Sponge & 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

Support Tom and Louise!

Many of you will know Tom and Louise (parents to Mickey—Y5 and Isabella—former pupil). Both have been, and continue to be, amazing supporters of the school. From helping out at fairs and events to Tom, through his role at Talacre, providing us with lots of additional opportunities for our children to engage in sports events there and enhancing our PE curriculum offer. We would love to be able to give something back to them and hope you can help. Both are taking on the 'Great North Run' this weekend and are doing it to raise money for Brain Research UK—a cause very close to their hearts (read their story on the just giving page and you will know why).



They have set themselves the target of £2000 and are very close. With the Fleet Community's help we hope they can get there. Please, if you can, take a moment to visit their justgiving page and make a donation.

Good Luck to both of them for the amazing effort in the heat this weekend!

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/louise-thomas-looney1?checkoutMode=Headless>

Curriculum Class Meetings for Parents:

Next week we will be holding our curriculum meetings. These are important meetings for parents to attend so that you are clear on everything the children will be learning and doing this year. It is a great opportunity to ask the teacher any questions you might have as well as crucial so you know what the expectations are for learning you can support your child with at home. With all the disruption over the last few years it's more important than ever that you know what and how to support your child at home.

Please come along to the meeting if you can. We do them out of work hours with teachers staying late so that as many parents as possible are able to come along. See below for the day/times:

- Year 1—Tuesday 12th September @ 6.30pm**
- Year 2—Tuesday 12th September @ 6.30pm**
- Year 3—Wednesday 13th September @ 6.30pm**
- Year 4—Wednesday 13th September @ 6.30pm**
- Year 5—Thursday 14th September @ 6.30pm**
- Year 6—Thursday 14th September @ 6.30pm**

Please note all meetings will be held in the classrooms

Reminder—WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please remember we are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**. Children should not bring snacks into school with nuts in them. Please also check any items you send in for Class Tea, Class Parties or birthday treats must also be **NUT FREE**.



There are a number of children with allergies in the school and in line with the school food policy nuts are not to be brought into school. Thank you for help and support to ensure all the children remain free from risk to any adverse effects exposure to nuts could cause.

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

Year 1

For such a great start to the year. We have been so impressed with your enthusiasm for learning and the focus you have given our Maths and writing sessions. Well done!



Year 2

for your fantastic focus this week. You've impressed me with your beautiful writing in English and your fantastic collage skills in Art. What a great start to Year 2, keep it up!

Year 3

You have had an absolutely fantastic start to the year! You are really focussed and have been trying your best in every lesson so far. I love your attitude to learning. Keep it up superstar!

Year 4

For an excellent start to Year 4! You are focused and have engaged in all activities with a keen and enthusiastic attitude! It's been lovely to see your confidence grow. Well done and keep it up!



Year 5

For a fantastic start to year 5! You have shown a mature attitude towards your learning - focusing and trying your very best. Well done and keep it up!

Year 6

You've had a fabulous start to Year 6. It's been great to see how positive and focussed you are. What a brilliant attitude. Keep it up!

Term Dates for 2023-24

AUTUMN TERM

First day of term	Wednesday 6 th September 2023
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 23 rd Oct – Friday 27 th Oct 2023
Last day of term	Thursday 21 st December 2023 – close at 2pm

SPRING TERM

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

SUMMER TERM

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

STAFF INSET DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
1 st half term	Monday 4 th and Tuesday 5 th September 2023	Monday 8 th January 2024	Monday 15 th April 2024
2 nd half term			Monday 10 th 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. |

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 need adult volunteers to support on these trips so please do look out for notices on class windows or sent out via parenthub closer to the date of a trip and contact the office if you are able to accompany. Thank you.

WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS

12th September	Class curriculum meetings for parents — Years 5 & 6 @ 6.30pm
13th September	Class curriculum meetings for parents — Years 3 & 4 @ 6.30pm
14th September	Class curriculum meetings for parents — Years 1 & 2 @ 6.30pm
29th September	Head Teachers Coffee Afternoon in the hall for parents—3.30pm
29th September	Camden Schools Cross Country Competition @ Heath—selected children
2nd October	Nur-Rec-Y1-Y2—Flouride Varnish (letter will be sent for consent)
11th October	KS1 and KS2 Open Morning for Parents 9-9.30am—reading focus
23rd-27th October	Half Term Week—School Closed
7th November	Institute of Imagination Workshops—KS1 & KS2
13th November	Anti-bullying week
29th & 30th November	Parent—Teacher Meetings after school for KS1 & KS2
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 2023-24

30th November	Parent Run Class Tea
8th December	Infant Christmas Show—10am
13th December	Trip to theatre

RECEPTION 2023-24

18th, 21st & 26th September	Parent Meetings after school
21st September	Heath Walk
6th October	Trip to London Zoo
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

21st September	Heath Walk
9th November	Parent Run Class Tea
10th November	Class Assembly
8th December	Infant Christmas Show—10am

YEAR 2 2023-24

14th September	Fire Safety Workshop
5th October	Trip to Kyoto Garden
9th—13th October	Bike Training—individual days t.b.c. (bring bikes if have)
31st October	Trip to October Gallery
17th November	Trip to the CLC
7th December	Parent Run Class Tea
8th December	Infant Christmas Show—10am

YEAR 3 2023-24

9th—13th October	Bike Training—individual days t.b.c. (bring bikes if have)
2nd November	Parent Run Class Tea
3rd November	Class Assembly—10am
22nd November	To the Cinema—Camden Odeon
14th December	Junior Christmas Show—10am (anyone) & 7pm (ticketed)

YEAR 4 2023-24

27th September	Dodgeball competition @ Talacre after school—selected children
19th October	Parent Run Class Tea
20th October	Class Assembly—10am
30th Oct—3rd Nov	Swimming—everyday
21st November	To the Cinema—Camden Odeon
14th December	Junior Christmas Show—10am (anyone) & 7pm (ticketed)

YEAR 5 2023-24

14th September	Fire Safety Workshop
2nd October	Building Centre workshop trip
12th October	Parent Run Tea Sale
13th October	Class Assembly—10am
16th—20th October	Sayers Croft Residential
30th October—3rd November	Bike Training (optional—15 places available)
15th November	To the Cinema—Camden Odeon
14th December	Junior Christmas Show—10am (anyone) & 7pm (ticketed)

YEAR 6 2023-24

27th September	British Museum
5th October	Parent Run Class Tea
16th—20th October	Bike Training (optional—15 places available)
2nd November	Science Museum
14th December	Junior Christmas Show—10am (anyone) & 7pm (ticketed)



This week at Fleet...

With the shortened week this week we have a shortened newsletter—it's still been a busy start to the academic year with new topics for the term introduced to classes and lots of fun activities. Here is a little taste of what the children have been up to. Next week we'll be back to our picture filled, full week, Friday newsletter. Do come along to next week's Curriculum Meetings for Y1-6 to learn more about what will be happening this term.



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