



Fleet News

Friday 25th April 2025

Message from the Executive Head...

Welcome back to the summer term! I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable break over the Easter holidays. It's been lovely to see the children return with such enthusiasm, already diving into their new summer term topics. There's certainly a feeling of summer in the air—helped along by the beautiful cherry blossom in full bloom at the front of the school, which has been brightening everyone's morning! This week also marks the start of my role working across both Fleet and Rhyl, and I'm pleased to say it's been a fantastic beginning. It's a real privilege to be part of both school communities, and I'm looking forward to all the opportunities this term brings for learning, collaboration and celebration.

Although this half term is a short one—just four more weeks until the break—we've got a lot to look forward to and plenty to pack in! One date to note in your diaries: next **Friday morning** we're hosting a parent session on '**Parenting in the Digital Age**', led by a guest speaker from the organisation *Smartphone Free Childhood*. The speaker is a digital parenting specialist and advocate, and we're really pleased to host this opportunity to reflect together on the challenges and choices we face as families in the digital world. More details can be found in the flyer on Page 3 and that was sent home yesterday—we'd love to see as many of you there as possible. Here's to a happy and productive summer term ahead! See you on Monday



General Health & Safety Reminders...

- Don't send in any snacks or food containing nuts - we are a nut free school.
- If your child is going on a playdate with another parent after school please make sure to let the teacher know directly. Do not rely on the other parent to tell us.
- If you change phone numbers or addresses please let us know immediately. We need your current contact details.
- Please do not prop open the main gate to the school site either before or after school. If there is not a member of staff there, the gate should be kept closed.
- If adults need to use the toilet on the school premises, even if accompanying a child, they must use the staff toilets in the corridor.
- The site is open to parents from 8am for breakfast club, please wait until then, even if a member of staff is buzzed in whilst you're waiting *(some parents have been coming in before 8 and leaving their children in the cubs unattended)*
- If you are in the junior playground after school, please supervise your children carefully and be mindful that the equipment in the junior playground is designed for older children and is unsafe for little ones. Other playground equipment (balls etc) is not for use after school.
- If you need to walk between the main school and the Nursery please use the path rather than cutting through the hall or corridor.

The logo for Collective Power, featuring a stylized globe icon with a blue and green design, followed by the words "COLLECTIVE POWER" in white, bold, uppercase letters inside a black rectangular border.

PARENTING IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Supporting parents and schools navigating smartphones, social media and addictive technology with children. Providing non-judgemental, research-backed solutions to help families cultivate healthier digital habits with modern technology.

A talk with Digital Parenting Specialist
and Smartphone Free Childhood Advocate

Yael Shahar



Friday 2nd May at 9am
Fleet Primary School, NW3 2QT



Let's show our support to Tom!

Good Luck for this weekend -
we hope the weather is kind!

Many of you will recognise Tom and Louise Looney. They have been part of the Fleet community for many years and a very active part at that! Louise has helped out with many of the community events over the years while it's thanks to Tom that we have all the extra sports sessions classes go to each term at Talacre working with the NVQ trainee coaches there. Tom has also given up his time over the last two years to coach our Y5&6 football teams - this year winning the league for the first time with the boys team. Now is our chance to give something back to them while also helping a great cause. See Tom's story below and the weblink to donate.



<https://2025tcslondonmarathon.entrance.com/pf/thomas-looney>

Tom's Story...

I have decided to take on my biggest challenge to date and do this years London Marathon after watching Louise smash it twice I just had to get involved. I'm sure everyone that knows me knows our story, Louise was diagnosed with incurable brain cancer in 2019 and our lives changed forever. Watching Louise go through everything she has done and not be able to do anything about it is the hardest thing I have ever had to do and now I want to do something to help.

Since 2019 Louise has gone on to have two major brain operations, radiotherapy and chemotherapy and still inspires everyone around her to continue with life and show how strong she truly is. Even during her treatments she continued to run and swim throughout and nothing could stop her - she truly is a real life superhero and role model. When she's not saving lives at work she's usually saving everyone else around her.

Louise got me running just over a year ago and since then we have gone on to do quite a few races together, she never lets me give up and always pushes me to be quicker and stronger and that's why I have decided to take on this massive challenge of the London marathon, the longest distance I will ever have run.

All your kind donations will go towards brain research and the amazing things they do to help people in our situation. Brain tumors are the chief cause of cancer deaths in children and young people and with your help we can try to make a difference.

Weekly Punctuality Award

Punctuality Matters! We've seen a big rise in lates this week – **19 more lates** compared to the last week of term. We had made brilliant progress with punctuality before the break, so let's make sure we **keep that momentum going!** For those finding mornings tricky after the holidays – you're not alone! Let's keep **pushing routines** and **promoting punctuality**. A **calm, settled start** helps your child have a positive, productive day. **Thank you** and **well done** to all the children who are in school and ready to learn by 9am – keep it up!

How Did Each Year Group Do This Week?

- **Year 6 – 1 late** - Well done Year 6, lets see if we can get none next week. Keep going!
- **Year 4 – 2 lates** - Close to a perfect week! We believe in you Y4 – lets aim for less next week!
- **Reception & Year 3 – 4 lates each** - Starting to creep up – let's tighten things up and get back on track.
- **Year 1 & Year 5 – 5 lates each** - Quite high this week – lets try and do better next week!
- **Year 2 – 8 lates** - A tough week, Year 2 – but we know you can bounce back. Let's aim higher next week!

Why Being On Time Matters:

Arriving on time means your child starts their day **calm, ready, and confident**. Let's work together to make sure every child is in, settled, and ready to learn from 9am.

Top Tips for a Smooth Morning:

- **Get prepped the night before:** - clothes ready, bags packed, bottles filled – one less thing to stress about!
- **Set alarms a little earlier:** - A few extra minutes makes all the difference for a calmer morning.
- **Grab breakfast at school:** - Bagels are ready at **8:30am** – free and filling!

A Few Helpful Reminders:

- **Classes open at 8:45am** – no need to wait outside!
- **Breakfast Club at the QUBE** – starts from **8am**
- **Bagels available to all from 8:30am** in the playground
- **After 9am = late** – and a rushed, stressful start to the day!

Class	Lates
Y6	1
Y4	2
Rec & Y3	4
Y1 & Y5	5
Y2	8
Total	29

Weekly Attendance Award

Attendance Update – Big Shoutout to Reception! 🎉 Well done to **Reception**, who are topping the attendance chart this week with an amazing **99.3%** attendance – what a brilliant start to the Summer Term! That's a **3.8% boost** from the end of last term. Keep it up, superstars!

Attendance Summary:

- **Reception – 99.3%** (↑ 3.8%) – In **1st place** this week – fantastic effort!
- **Year 3 – 97.9%** (↑ 4.6%) – A strong **2nd place** and still climbing – great job Y3!
- **Year 4 – 96.6%** (↓ 1.2%) – Holding **3rd place**, but let's aim to bounce back next week!
- **Year 1 – 97.4%** (↑ 0.7%) – A small increase and looking solid in **4th**!
- **Year 2 – 96.5%** (↑ 4.8%) – Another big jump for Y2 – well done to them!
- **Year 6 – 95.6%** (↑ 9.5%) – The biggest rise of the week – Year 6 - let's see if we can get back to the top of the attendance table next week!
- **Year 5 – 89.1%** (↓ 9.3%) – A drop this week – let's see if we can turn that around next week!

Whole School Attendance: This week, our **overall school attendance was 96.2%** – that's **up 2%** from before the holidays! Our **year-to-date average is 94.5%**, just a tiny dip of 0.1%. We're still aiming for that magic **96% every week** – we can do it if we all pull together!

Attendance Spotlight: We've got another round of **attendance meetings** happening next week. Alison, our friendly **School Inclusion Officer from Camden**, will be joining us to meet with families and chat about attendance and punctuality.

A Few Friendly Reminders:

- If your child is unwell and can't make it in, please **call us by 9am** on **0207 485 2028** each day.
- **Free bagels!** Grab a warm breakfast in the playground from **8:30am** – it's a great way to start the day right!

Thanks so much for your support in making sure every child gets to school, every day they can. Let's keep it going and finish the year strong!

Class	% this week	% before break
Rec	99.3%	95.5%
Y3	97.9%	93.3%
Y4	96.6%	97.8%
Y1	97.4%	96.7%
Y2	96.5%	91.7%
Y6	95.6%	86.1%
Y5	89.1%	98.4%
Average for the week	96.2%	94.2%
Overall for the year so far	94.5%	94.6%

Meet the staff...

One of our aims is that our fabulous staff work in partnership with you, our parents and carers, to support your children on their journey through school laying strong foundations for resilience and future success. To help build this relationship each week we will be introducing different staff who looking after and work with your children. We want you to get to know the adults in school and some things about them over and above their school role.

Name: Rachel

Role: Year 1

**Teacher, Science
Lead and Phonics
Lead**

**How long worked
at Fleet: 10 years
(+ 1 year as a TA!)**

Favourite Food...

Indian food, roast dinners, croissants,
yorkie bars!

Favourite Book as a child...

Elmer the Patchwork Elephant - by
David McKee

Hidden Talent...

I am a rock climber and love to travel to climb -
I even converted my own van into a Camper Van
to travel and climb!

Favourite thing about school as a child...

I loved the creative curriculum
subjects - music, art, drama

Dream destination...

Australia - I have friends there that
I would love to visit.

Surprise fact about you...

I lived in Spain for 3 years

Any other jobs...

When I lived in Spain I was an
English Teacher

Favourite Film...

All my childhood favourites - Hook, Home
Alone, Flight of the Navigator, Annie

What did you want to be when you grew up...

I wanted to be an ice skater, even
though I couldn't skate.

**Favourite activity to do when not
at Fleet...**

Rock climbing, dog walking and painting

Dates for your diary...

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 ParentHub. Thank you.

SPRING TERM

First day of term	Tuesday 7 th January 2025
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 17 th Feb – Friday 21 st Feb 2025
Last day of term	Friday 4 th April 2025 – close at 2pm

SUMMER TERM

First day of term	Wednesday 23 rd April 2025
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 5 th May 2025 - school closed
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May 2025
Last day of term	Tuesday 22 nd July 2025 – close at 2pm

STAFF INSET DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
1 st half term	Monday 2 nd and Tuesday 3 rd September 2024	Monday 6 th January 2025	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025
2 nd half term			Monday 2 nd June 2025

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.

WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS

22nd April	INSET day - School Closed
23rd April	Summer Term Starts - All children back
2nd May	Parenting in the digital age talk - 9-10am
5th May	School closed
16th May	Coffee morning - 9-10am Managing Child Worries
26th-30th May	Half Term - School Closed
6th June	Coffee morning - Parent child interactions
20th June	Coffee morning - Sibling rivalry
18th July	Rec, KS1-KS2 Sports Day - Hampstead Heath Running Track
22nd July	Last day of term - Finish at 2pm

PARENTS ASSOCIATION & SPECIAL EVENTS

22nd May	Eid Celebration after school
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New
Summer
Term Menu

Menu: 28th Apr - 2nd May

Meat Free Monday

Vegetarian:
Spicy Veg & Lentil
CousCous
Or
5 Bean Chilli

Sweetcorn Bread
Baked Potato:
with cheese

Veg of the day

Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Tuesday

Meat/Halal:
Beef & Lentil
Bolognaise

Vegetarian:
Chickpea & Veg
Biryani

Pasta & Turmeric
Bread

Baked Potato:
with baked beans

Veg of the day

Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Wednesday

Meat/Halal:
Roast Turkey
Stuffing & Gravy

Vegetarian:
Quorn & Black Bean
Fajitas & Rice

Baked Potato:
With tuna &
sweetcorn mayo

Veg of the day

Yoghurt & Fresh
Fruit

Thursday

Meat/Halal:
Caribbean Spiced
Chicken Curry &
Rice/Peas

Vegetarian:
Beetroot, Squash &
Lentil Wellington with
Mash and Gravy

Baked Potato:
with 5 bean chilli &
Rainbow Slaw

Veg of the day

Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit

Friday

Meat/Halal:
Wholemeal Tuna
Pasta Bake &
Tomatoes Herby
Bread

Vegetarian:
Beetroot & Lentil
Burger with Chips

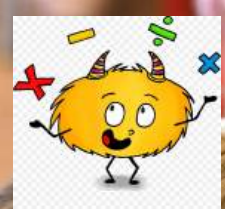
Baked Potato:
with Chickpea Curry

Veg of the day

Strawberry Jelly with
Mandarins & Peaches

Please remember to let the office know if you want to change your child to or from school lunches so that adequate amounts of food are produced and waste is reduced

Available Daily
Freshly Cooked Jacket Potato
Freshly Baked Bread
Salad



Fleet Facts!

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

Year 3: Diez

Year 4: Afreen, Annie, Noel

Year 5: Ausar

Times Table Rock Stars

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



Year 2: **Stejsi**

Year 3: **Rron**

Year 4: **Yahya C**

Year 5: **Frankie**



Numbots Stars of the Week!

Year 1: **Ryan**

Year 2: **Mollie Mae**

This week at Fleet...

We've made a great start to the Summer Term this week with classes embarking on their new Topic Learning Journeys! As you can see from the following pages - lots being done already even though the children have only been in for 3 days! Look out for the dates on each classes page for those trips and events already booked.



Star of the week!



Nursery

For your kind and loving nature. You are such a friendly and helpful person to have in Nursery and we love seeing you being such a good friend.



Dates for your diary...

NURSERY 2024-25

19th June

London Zoo Trip



...Nursery!



Star of the week!



Reception

For settling right back into our routine. You are focused during phonics and I can see how hard you're working on your independent writing.



Dates for your diary...

RECEPTION 2024-25

8th May	Stay and play - 9-10am
15th May	Hampstead Heath - Animal adventure
18th June	Trip - Kentish Town City Farm
25th June	Trip - London Zoo
11th July	Assembly 10am



...Reception!



Star of the week!



Year 1

For a great start to the term. You have had such a positive attitude this week and have really got stuck in to all our new topic learning. Well done!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 1 2024-25

4th July	Class Assembly - 10am
15th July	Trip - Kew Gardens



...Year 1!



Star of the week!



Year 2

For your wonderful learning in Maths this week! You've also made excellent efforts with your presentation!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 2 2024-25

29th April	Trip to Waitrose for cooking session
8th May	Talacre trip
23rd May	Trip to London Zoo
11th June	Trip to Gurdwara
27th June	Y2 Class Assembly
10th July	Trip to Chalkwell Beach (weather dependent)



...Year 2!



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Star of the week!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 3 2024-25

29.04.25	Kew Gardens Trip
12.05.25	Kenwood House Trip
23.05.25	Hampstead Heath Trip
20.06.25	Class Assembly



Year 3
Ilyes, even though this has been a short week, you have been a star! Thank you for being so respectful and being a considerate friend.

...Year 3!



Star of the week!



Year 4

You've made a really strong start to the term! It's clear you've been putting in great effort to stay focused and contribute to a calm, productive learning environment. Your focus in art lessons and attention to detail is remarkable. Keep up the great work!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 4 2024-25

13th May	The Orangery's Vertical Farm
20th May	The London Zoo
13th June	Class Assembly - 10am
18th June	Cricket Festival

...Year 4!



Star of the week!



Year 5

What a great start to the term you are having already! You have been engaging so well in lessons and taking real care over the work you have done so far this term. Keep up the good focus and attitude!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 5 2024-25

30th April	Royal Albert Hall Concert
9th May	Trip to London Zoo
5th June	Earthfest
6th June	Class Assembly - 10am
26th June	Trip - Crick Institute



...Year 5!



Star of the week!



Year 6

You have had an awesome start to the summer term! In maths, you are thinking strategically and explaining your reasoning clearly. You have also been super helpful to your teacher this week. Keep it up superstar!



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Dates for your diary...

YEAR 6 2024-25

12th-15th May	KS2 SATs Week
5th June	Earthfest
9th-13th June	Residential Trip to Gower



...Year 6!

