



Fleet News

Friday 17th October 2025

Message from the Executive Head...

This week we welcomed a visit from our Camden Professional Partner, Prue. She works with us throughout the year, supporting the various target areas we've identified for improvement. During her visit, as well as touring the school and seeing all our amazing classes and teachers in action, we spent time reflecting on last year's results and exploring the wider context of our school and community.

I always enjoy the opportunity to showcase Fleet to visitors — it's a chance to celebrate the incredible children and dedicated staff we have here. As we walked around the school, Prue commented on the warmth she felt in classrooms and the positive relationships between children and adults. It's not always easy to strike the right balance between being an authoritative adult who helps guide children's learning and behaviour, and being that trusted adult they can confide in and rely on. I'm proud to say the staff at Fleet navigate that balance beautifully.

Next week is the final week before the half term break. The autumn term is always a long one — eight weeks in total — and although everyone is getting a little tired, the effort and energy from both children and staff remain incredibly strong.

We're also looking forward to the first Parent Association event of the school year: the Halloween Disco next Friday! We hope many of you will be able to come along (see the advert on Page 6 for details).

A big good luck to our Year 5 class, who are off on their residential trip to Sayer's Croft next week. I know they'll have a fantastic time — I still have fond memories of my own school residential (too many years ago to count!).

Finally, this week we say goodbye and good luck (for now!) to Becca, who begins her maternity leave as she prepares for the arrival of her baby. Becca will be hugely missed while she's away (don't worry, she's coming back!) and we're all so excited for her as she steps into this new chapter. Thank you for everything, Becca — we can't wait to meet your little one when he arrives!

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend.





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.



Parent Survey

Last year we began a piece of work with the University of Sussex. As part of that work we surveyed the school community for your opinions. It is time for us to follow up that survey and repeat it.

This brief survey asks about your opinions about Fleet Primary School and education in general. It should take around five minutes to complete. All parents who take part will be entered into a raffle for the chance to win one of six £25 shopping vouchers.

Your responses will be used by researchers at the University of Sussex to help find ways to help both you and your child have a better experience with our school. It doesn't matter if you didn't complete it last year, we want as many parents as possible to do this.

Your responses will be anonymous (your contact details collected at the end is only if you want to be in the draw for the voucher and is not matched to your responses).

Click link below to complete survey:

<https://forms.gle/266u6ZUaEtSGM6WG9>

Mobile Phones...

If you choose to send your child to school with a mobile phone - please remind them and ensure they hand it in to the office on arrival. It should not be collected until they are leaving school (if going to an after school club the phones stays in the office until after the club).

Children should not have a mobile phone on them around school under any circumstances.

Thank you for your ongoing support with this.





The PTA will be running the Halloween disco on the 24th October. They are asking for donations of halloween themed cakes, sweets and treats to sell. Volunteers to help set up on the day from 2pm would be very much appreciated. If you are able to get involved and help out please speak to the PTA or let the office know who can put you in touch with them.



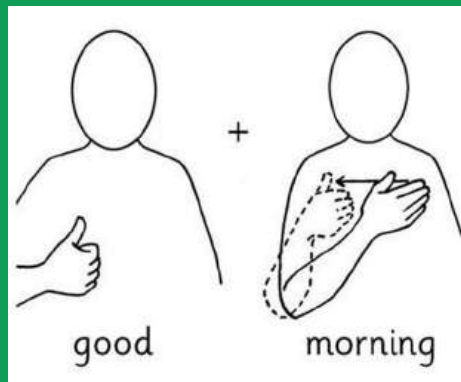
Makaton Sign of the week...

Each week we'll be sharing a new *Makaton sign* that the children are learning in school. You'll find the sign in this newsletter, along with a QR code if you'd like to see more information or practise at home. Please ask your child to show you the sign—they'll love teaching you what they've learned!

What is Makaton?

Makaton is a way of communicating that uses simple signs and symbols alongside speech. It helps children (and adults) to understand and express themselves, especially if they find language tricky. You may have seen Makaton being used on TV, in hospitals, or in other schools—it helps make communication more inclusive for everyone.

By learning Makaton together, we're giving all our children an extra tool to support understanding, confidence, and inclusion.



This week's
sign is...
**'Good
morning'**

Weekly Punctuality Award

Punctuality Update: Thank you to all families for continuing to make punctuality a priority. Arriving on time sets children up for a successful day of learning, and we appreciate your efforts to ensure pupils are in class ready to start at **9:00am**. This week, we recorded **29 lates** across the school – this is starting to creep up again we really need to do better! We can definitely get these figures lower - you can do it!

Punctuality Summary – This Week

- **Reception: 2** (last week 2 lates) – Well done for improving Reception!
- **Year 1: 7** (last week 4 lates) – We have improved Year 1 well done!
- **Year 2: 1** (last week 2 lates) – What happened Year 2? Let's get back on track!
- **Year 3: 4** (last week 3 lates) – No change Year 3 can we get 0 next week?
- **Year 4: 6** (last week 3 lates) – Well done Year 5 keep it up!
- **Year 5: 5** (last week 6 lates) – Creeping up we need to improve Year 5.
- **Year 6: 4** (last week 4 lates) – Much better Year 6! Let's keep this up.

Helpful Reminders

- Classrooms open at 8:45am
- Breakfast Club is available from 8:00am in the QUBE
- Free bagels are served daily from 8:30am in the playground
- Children arriving after 9:00am will be marked as late

A much better week compared to previous weeks however we still need to improve on these. We know you can do better!

 **Remember – the school day starts promptly at 9:00am.** Arriving late can cause disruption to your child's learning and the class as a whole.

 **Free Bagels:** Available every morning from **8:30am** in the playground – a great way to start the day.

 **Breakfast Club:** Breakfast is available from 8am.

Class	Lates this week	Lates last week
Rec	2	2
Y1	7	4
Y2	1	2
Y3	4	3
Y4	6	3
Y5	5	6
Y6	4	4
Total	29	24

Weekly Attendance Award

Attendance Update: A huge thank you to all our pupils and families for your continued commitment to excellent attendance. **Congratulations to Year 6**, who topped the attendance chart with an impressive 96.7% – an outstanding achievement!

Weekly Attendance Summary

- **Reception:** 84.1% (last week 91.8%) – Quite a drop again we can do better next week!
- **Year 1:** 94.4% (last week 89.2%) - Big improvement well done Year 1!
- **Year 2:** 92.2% (last week 87.2%) – Another big improvement well done Year 2!
- **Year 3:** 96.4% (last week 97.6%) – A very close 2nd again this week well done Year 3!
- **Year 4:** 92.1% (last week 93.8%) - Slight drop here Year 4 come on you've got this!
- **Year 5:** 95.1% (last week 98.6%) – Come on Year 5 we can improve on this!
- **Year 6:** 96.7% (last week 92.9%) - Top of the school well done Year 6!

While this week's attendance sits at **91.6%**, below our 96% target, we're proud of the effort shown by many classes. Let's keep the momentum going as – remember, **every day in school counts!** We have been hit by a number of illnesses again this week particularly in key stage 1, let's hope these pass very quickly and we will have all children back fighting fit on Monday!

Helpful Reminders

 **Reporting Absence:** If your child is unwell, please call the school office by **9:00am** on **0207 485 2028**.

 **Free Bagels:** Available every morning from **8:30am** in the playground – a great way to start the day.

 **Term-Time Holidays Reminder:** Please remember that holidays during term time are **not permitted** unless approved under **exceptional circumstances** by the Headteacher. In line with the **London Borough of Camden's attendance policy**:

- Unauthorised leave may result in a **Fixed Penalty Notice** of **£80 per parent, per child** (if paid within 21 days – rising to **£160** after 28 days).
- Repeated unauthorised absences can lead to **court prosecution, fines up to £1,000**, and may affect your child's school place.

We strongly encourage families to book holidays during official school breaks to avoid missing valuable learning time.

Fleet Primary School Attendance Policy [Fleet Primary School Attendance Policy](#)

Whole School Attendance this week

- **This week:** 91.6%
- **Overall for the year so far:** 92.6%

Class	% this week	% last week
Rec	84.1%	91.8%
Y1	94.4%	89.2%
Y2	92.2%	87.2%
Y3	96.4%	97.6%
Y4	92.1%	93.8%
Y5	95.1%	98.6%
Y6	96.7%	92.9%
Average for the week	91.6%	92.3%
Overall for the year so far	92.6%	92.8%

Meet the staff...



Name: Beth

Role: Assistant Head &
nursery Teacher

How long worked at Fleet:
16 year!

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.

Favourite Food

I love Thai and Indian food but will eat everything! I love going out for dinner and having lots of little sharing plates.

Favourite Book as a child...

The Balloon Tree. It's about a princess who plants a balloon and it grows into a tree that fills the whole kingdom with balloons.

Hidden Talent...

Not so much a talent but I do really enjoy cooking and trying out new recipes.

Favourite thing about school as a child...

Art, reading and playing in the adventure playground. My school had a massive sand pit too that was lots of fun.

Dream destination...

I would love to go to Borneo and see the orangutans.

Surprise fact about you...

I can be quite independent and like to do things by and for myself. Like travelling, hikes and other bits and bobs.

Any other jobs...

I worked in a bakery during High School and in a skate and surf shop during Uni.

Favourite Film...

A New Zealand film called The Whale Rider. It makes me cry every time I watch it. When I was little, my sisters and I watched The Little Mermaid on repeat.

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

I always wanted to be a teacher!

Favourite activity to do when not at Fleet...

Spend time with my gorgeous girls out and about.

Lunch Menu: 20th – 24th Oct

Meat Free Monday

Vegetarian:

Spicy Veg & Lentil
CousCous
Or

5 Bean Chilli

Sweetcorn Bread
Rice

Baked Potato:
with cheese

Veg of the day

Peaches &
Ice-Cream

Tuesday

Meat/Halal:

Beef & Lentil
Bolognaise

Vegetarian:

Chickpea & Veg
Biryani

Pasta & Turmeric
Bread

Baked Potato:
with baked beans

Veg of the day

Mandarin sponge
Cake & custard

Wednesday

Meat/Halal:

Roast Turkey
Stuffing, Gravy &
Potatoes

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:

Breaded Fish with
Chips & tomato sauce

Vegetarian:

Cheese & Tomato
Quiche & Potatoes

Baked Potato:

with Lentil
Bolognaise

Veg of the day

Peach & Strawberry
Crumble

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

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.

AUTUMN TERM

First day of term	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st October 2025
Last day of term	Friday 19 th December 2025 – close at 2pm

SPRING TERM

First day of term	Tuesday 6 th January 2025
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th February 2026
Last day of term	Friday 27 th March 2026 – close at 2pm

SUMMER TERM

First day of term	Tuesday 14 th April 2026
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May 2026 - school closed
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th May 2026
Last day of term	Friday 17 th July 2026 – close at 2pm

STAFF INSET DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED

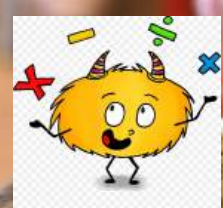
	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
1 st half term	Monday 1 st and Tuesday 2 nd September 2025	Monday 5 th January 2026	Monday 13 th April 2026
2 nd half term			Monday 20 th July 2026

WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS

12th December	Christmas Lunch
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PARENTS ASSOCIATION & SPECIAL EVENTS

24th October	Halloween Disco
13th November	Autumn Term - whole school tea after school
5th December	Winter Fair
19th March	Spring Term - whole school tea after school
9th July	Summer Term - whole school tea after school



Fleet Facts!

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

Year 2: Bodhi, Boris, Elis, Keyaan, Leo, Mahwash, Tommy

Year 3: Adam, Aria, Azim, Charlie, Daniyal, Dayaan, Elijah, Emir, Jodi, Penelope, Rayaana, Tommy, Zaida

Year 4: Aleeza, Grace D, Ilyes, James, Leo, Lucas, Myrah, Robin, Ron, Salamah, Theon, Yaseen, Yusuf, Zaina

Year 5: Afreen, Jasmine, Mahir, Maizie, Mariam, Mo, Sufian, Tommy, Umar

Year 6: Jona, Jasmine, Robyn, Rocco, Mason, Ideen, Mo

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: *Leo*

Year 3: *Aqsa*

Year 4: *Zaina*

Year 5: *Yahya*

Year 6: *Frankie*



Numbots Stars of the Week!

Year 1: *Thomas*

Year 2: **

Topic Letters and
Snapshots

<https://www.fleet.camden.sch.uk/learning/curriculum/topic-overviews>

- Year 6: From Script to Stage
- Year 5: Viking Voyages
- Year 4: Romans, Rebels & Gruesome Gladiators
- Year 3: Rock & Rumble
- Year 2: No Place Like Home
- Year 1: Lost!
- Reception: Once Upon a Time
- Nursery: This is me!

THE FLEET CREATIVE CURRICULUM - AUTUMN TERM



This week at Fleet...

This week we've had more bike training, year 6 this time, as well as lots of activities happening in classes. The weather is turning a little colder but we are still trying to make the most of the outdoor areas of the school too. Year 4 have now finished their 2 week intensive swimming block (next up Year 5 in Spring Term) and we've also this week elected our new school councillors for 2025-26. All in all another busy week!



Star of the week!



Nursery

For being a real super star this week in Nursery! You have been excellent at joining in and getting busy. You have been a fab friend too.



Dates for your diary...

NURSERY 2025-26

23rd October	Nursery Reading Cafe - 2.45pm
5th November	Autumn Walk on the Heath 9.00-10.30
10th November	Stay and Play 9-10am
26th November	Stay and Play 9-10am
5th December	Infant Christmas Show for parents @ 10am
9th December	Trip to Bloomsbury Theatre to see Stick Man



...Nursery!



Star of the week!



Reception

We really appreciate how well you play with others and how you encourage everyone to join in your play! We also love how well you help tidy up and look after our class. Keep it up, superstar



Dates for your diary...

RECEPTION 2025-26

5th November	Parents meeting 2:30-5pm
12th November	Parents meeting 2:30-5pm
5th December	Infant Christmas Show for parents @ 10am



...Reception!



Star of the week!



Year 1

It's been so lovely to see you settling into our classroom routines. You are joining in with the activities, and are building lots of new friendships. I'm so proud of how focused you've been and how long you're able to concentrate during learning time. Well done!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 1 2025-26

14th November

Class assembly - parents welcome @ 10am

5th December

Infant Christmas Show for parents @ 10am



...Year 1!



Star of the week!



Year 2

For your positive attitude! You always try your hardest and are so keen to help! You bring a wonderful energy to the classroom and we adore having you!

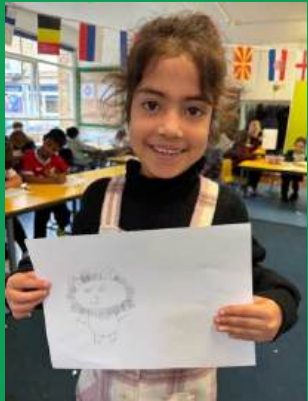


Dates for your diary...

YEAR 2 2025-26

21st & 22nd October	Bike training - bring your bike in if you have one
23rd October	Trip to Unicorn Theatre
5th December	Infant Christmas Show for parents @ 10am





Star of the week!



Year 3

You are star of the week because you have been creating fun and safe games for your friends in the playground and for always including others who would like to join in. Thank you for being such a kind and considerate classmate.



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 3 2025-26

23rd-24th October	Bike Training - bring in bike if you have one
21st November	Class Assembly - parents welcome @ 10am



...Year 3!



Star of the week!



Year 4 - Anthony

I've noticed the amazing effort you've put into your swimming lessons - you've made fantastic progress over the past two weeks! You also showed great focus when completing your storyboard in English. I'm really proud of your hard work and determination - keep it up!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 4 2025-26

24 th October	Class Assembly - parents welcome @ 10am
24 th October	Roman Feast in class PM
11 th November	Keats Community Library
18 th November	CLC visit
27 th November	Digging into Roman London workshop



...Year 4!



Cycle Training in Year 6

This week some of the Year 5 children have been doing their Level 2 cycle training. This involved practicing in the playground before many of them graduated to going out on the local roads with the instructors to practice the skills they had been working on. Cycling is a key life skill and one that brings so many health benefits. Well done to all who took part.



It's Year 2 (Tues/Wed) and Year 3 (Thurs/Fri) children for training next week so if your child has a bike and/or helmet please do send it in with them on those days. The training for these children is all in the playground.



Star of the week!



Year 5

For making sensible choices in the playground and trying your best in class this week. You have put lots of effort into your work this week and are making so much progress! Keep up the good attitude and focus. Well done superstar!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 5 2025-26

20th-24th October	Sayers Croft Residential
7th November	Class assembly - parents welcome @ 10am





Star of the week!



Year 6

You have really risen to the responsibilities that come with being in Year 6. You stay highly focused in lessons, always contribute thoughtfully, and you listen carefully to instructions. Keep up your brilliant attitude and you will be sure to succeed and excel this year.



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 6 2025-26

23rd October	CLC
31st October	Secondary School Applications Close
19th November	Cinema Trip
26th & 27th November	Parents Evening
3rd December	Theatre Trip (Hackney Empire)
5th December	Winter Fair
11th December	Junior Show



