



Fleet News

Friday 13th February 2026

Message from the Executive Head:

It is hard to believe we are already at the end of this half term. The children have worked incredibly hard over the past few weeks and it has been wonderful to see the focus, resilience and enthusiasm they are showing in lessons across the school. From creative writing and problem-solving in maths to hands-on science and topic work, there has been a real buzz of purposeful learning around the building.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our staff for their continued dedication. They work tirelessly to ensure that learning is creative, engaging and carefully planned so that our children develop not only strong academic foundations but also the skills, confidence and character they will need for future success. We are very fortunate to have such a committed team at Fleet.

In this newsletter you will find information about the half term home learning projects. These are designed to be enjoyable and flexible — perfect for any rainy afternoons if you are looking for something to keep the children occupied. As always, I would also strongly encourage daily reading over the break. Little and often really does make a significant difference over time. Ten or fifteen minutes a day builds fluency, vocabulary and confidence in ways that quickly add up.

We would also like to wish all of our families who will be starting Ramadan next week our very best wishes. Ramadan Mubarak to all those observing.

Finally, I want to share some sad news with you. Year 2 parents are already aware that Sinead's young son has recently been diagnosed with cancer. As a result, Sinead will be taking a leave of absence while he undergoes treatment. Many of you will know Sinead well — she has taught many Fleet children over the years and is a hugely valued member of our school community. As parents ourselves, we know that having a child unwell is one of our greatest fears, and our thoughts and prayers are very much with Sinead and her family at this incredibly difficult time.

I hope you are all able to enjoy a restful half term break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back, ready to learn, on Monday 23rd February. Wishing you all a safe and happy break.



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.





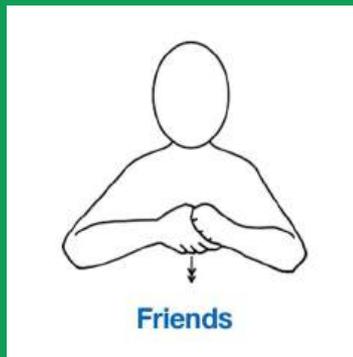
Makaton Sign of the week...

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...
friend



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 **40 lates** across the school – an increase on last week we really need to do better. 4 classes have managed to improve this week well done to **Year 1, Year 2, Year 6 and Reception**, let's all try to do better after half term. We can definitely get these figures lower again - you can do it!

Helpful Reminders

Punctuality Summary – This Week

- **Reception: 4** - (last week 6 lates) Well done Reception keep it up!
 - **Year 1: 7** – (last week 11 lates) Go Year 1 let's keep it going!
 - **Year 2: 5** –(last week 6 lates) Amazing Year 2 keep up the good work!
 - **Year 3: 10** –(last week 5 lates) Oh no Year 3 we really need to improve this!
 - **Year 4: 4** – (last week 2 lates) Year 4 what happened? Let's improve after half term and get back to the top!
 - **Year 5: 8** – (last week 3 lates) Year 5 we were doing so well! Can we get these right back down?
 - **Year 6: 2** –(last week 4 lates) Well done Year 6 a shining example to the rest of the school! Can we aim for 0 after half term?
- 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

Please help your child to be more organised in the morning so that they are able to get to school on time ready to start the school day!

 **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	4	6
Y1	7	11
Y2	5	6
Y3	10	5
Y4	4	2
Y5	8	3
Y6	2	4
Total	40	37

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 5**, who topped the attendance chart with an impressive 98.2% – an outstanding achievement!

Weekly Attendance Summary

- **Reception:** 94.2% –(last week 97.3%) Bit of a dip here Reception let's work on this!
- **Year 1:** 96.8% - (last week 96%) Well done Year 1 keep up the hard work!
- **Year 2:** 93.3% – (last week 97.7%) Oh no Year 2 let's come back fighting fit after half term!
- **Year 3:** 92.7% – (last week 97.3%) Come on Year 3 we really need to be more resilient you can do it!
- **Year 4:** 91.4% - (last week 94.4%) What happened Year 4? Can we do better after half term?
- **Year 5:** 98.2% – (last week 91.5%) Well done Year 5! Top of the school! Great effort keep it up!
- **Year 6:** 94.2% - (last week 95.4%) Slight dip Year 6 let's get back on track after half term, you can do it!

While this week's attendance sits at 93.5%, 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!** Remember if your child has been unwell and no longer has a high temperature they are welcome to come to school, we really need to show some resilience going forward. If your child has had the morning off and feels better you are more than welcome to bring them in if they are feeling better and we can always call home if they are feeling really bad however, you will find once they are in it takes their mind off of feeling unwell.

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.

Whole School Attendance this week

- **This week:** 93.5%
- **Overall for the year so far:** 92.1%

Class	% this week	% last week
Rec	94.2%	97.3%
Y1	96.8%	96%
Y2	93.3%	97.7%
Y3	92.7%	97.3%
Y4	91.4%	94.4%
Y5	98.2%	91.5%
Y6	94.2%	95.4%
Average for the week	93.5%	94.8%
Overall for the year so far	92.1%	92%

Meet the staff...



Name: Kat Grant

Role: Year 5 Class Teacher and
English Lead

How long worked at Fleet:
In my 2nd 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...

Potatoes! I think my love of a spud comes from my Irish mother and growing up in Lincolnshire surrounded by potato farms. Whether it's a crispy roastie, creamy mash or a good old jacket potato - I'll take the lot!

Favourite Book as a child...

I was a huge Jacqueline Wilson fan (now Dame Jacqueline!). I adored her complicated characters and their turbulent lives. These were the first books I remember choosing for myself and I've loved reading ever since.

Hidden Talent...

I have recently started Irish Dance classes. I wouldn't quite call it a talent just yet but it's a work in progress!

Favourite thing about school as a child...

I remember doing lots of singing and drama in school which I always really enjoyed. I think my acting career peaked in Y4 when I played the witch in Hansel and Gretel!

Dream destination...

I would go to Japan. Partly to see my brother who lives there, but also the food and culture interests me - and for the Karaoke!

Surprise fact about you...

Growing up, my mum ran the village shop and post office which I would help out in before and after school. It was quite fun being a shopkeeper and I got really good at working out change - back when people used cash!

Any other jobs...

Before teaching, I worked with people in prison who wanted to stop committing crime. I would help them figure out and stick to a new life pathway after prison. I've also done a tonne of hospitality jobs including my favourite, delivering pizzas!

Favourite Film...

Titanic! I must have watched it at least 100 times. It would probably be my Mastermind specialist subject!

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

I always wanted to be a vet. Loved animals and was obsessed with watching animal rescue shows.

Favourite activity to do when not at Fleet...

Long walks on the Heath (ponds in the summer), friends round for dinner, hunting for a second hand/charity shop bargain and the occasional bit of Karaoke!

Lunch Menu: 23rd - 27th February

Meat Free Monday

Vegetarian:

Chefs Special Lentil
Curry
Or
Creamy Chickpea &
Coconut Curry
Flatbread
Rice
Veg of the day &
Salad Bar
Peaches Upside
Down Cake

Tuesday

Meat/Halal:

Chicken &
Sweetcorn
Meatballs in tomato
sauce

Vegetarian:

Pizza
Wedges
Rice
Veg of the day &
Salad Bar
Yoghurt & Fresh
Fruit

Wednesday

Meat/Halal:

BBQ Chicken &

Vegetarian:

BBQ Quorn

Potato & sweetcorn
salsa

Veg of the day &
Salad Bar

Yoghurt &
Tinned Fruit

Thursday

Meat/Halal:

Beef & Lentil
Bolognaise

Vegetarian:

Vegetable
Bolognaise

Spaghetti

Veg of the day &
Salad Bar

Sticky Apple
Crumble with
custard

Friday

Meat/Halal:

Salmon Fish Fingers

Vegetarian:

Smashed Bean &
Lentil Patty

Wedges
Chips

Veg of the day &
Salad Bar

Yoghurt & Fresh
Fruit

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.

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

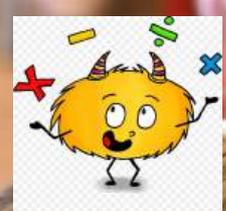
	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
1 st half term	Monday 1 st and Tuesday 2 nd September 2025	Monday 5 th January 2026	Monday 13 th April 2026
2 nd half term			Monday 20 th July 2026

WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS

16-20th February	Half Term Break - School Closed
27th February	Parent workshop - pod - 9-10am - focused on screen time
5th March	World Book Day - dress as your favourite book character!
24th March	Parent Teacher Conferences for all classes (Note date change due to Ramadan the week before)
23rd - 27th March	Wellbeing Week
27th March	Last Day of Term - close at 2pm
13th April	INSET Day - school closed
14th April	Summer Term Starts - children back

PARENTS ASSOCIATION & SPECIAL EVENTS

17th March	Spring Term - whole school tea after school - Note date change to Tuesday
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: Yasir, Gladiator, Adam, Safiya, Keeyan

Year 3: Aqsa, Aria, Ben, Elijah, Jodi, Mia, Mollie, Tommy

Year 4: Diez, James, Robin, Rron, Suhayb, Theon, Umar, Zaina

Year 5: Aahil, Andrew, Jasmine, Maizie, Sufian, Tymur

Year 6: Ausar, Ellis, Abida, Maidah

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: *Sam*



Year 3: *Aqsa*

Year 4: *Rron*

Year 5: *Yahya*

Year 6: *Alfie*

Numbots Stars of the Week!

Year 1: *Iqlaas*

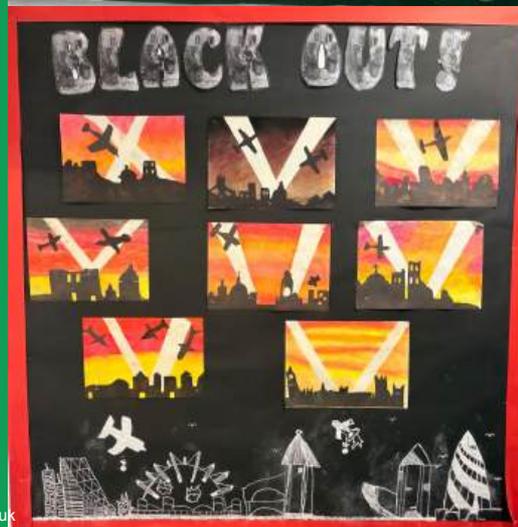
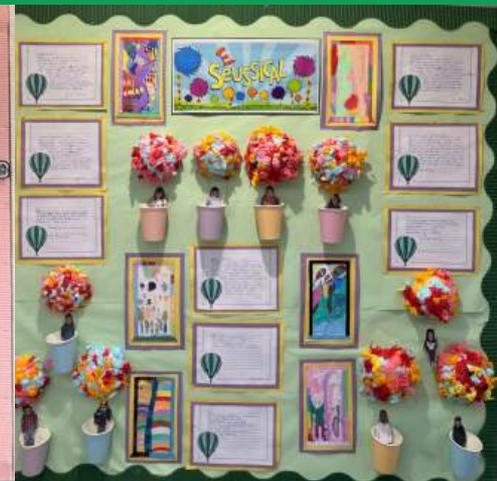
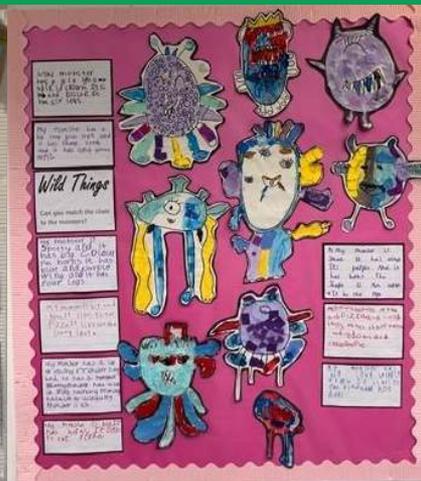
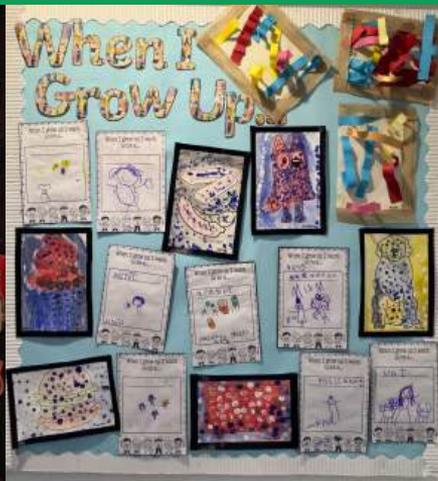
Year 2: *Gladiator*

THE FLEET CREATIVE CURRICULUM - SPRING TERM TOPICS...

Topic Letters and Snapshots

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

- Year 6: Black Out
- Year 5: Reach for the Stars
- Year 4: We Are Heroes
- Year 3: Greek Myths
- Year 2: Seussical!
- Year 1: Wild Things!
- Reception: When I Grow Up
- Nursery: Yummy!



Half Term Home Learning Projects for Y2-Y6

With Half term next week remember that it's time for the children in Year 2 - Year 6 to complete their home learning projects. This is an opportunity to showcase their Topic learning - it can be based on something they have learnt in their topic, or related to the topic that has particularly interested them and they want to do a bit of further research. It is entirely up to them how they present this project. It could be an artwork, sculpture, piece of writing, poster, computer based - be creative! We are always blown away by what the children come up with and can't wait to see what they do. We will hold an exhibition in the hall after school on Tuesday 3rd March - projects should be brought in that morning which means the children have all of half term and a week after to finish it.



This week at Fleet...



Another packed week to bring us up to the end of the half term. As you can see, despite the less than brilliant weather the children have been learning and smiling all the way to the end. A huge well done to all of them for their hard work this half term and we can't wait to see their amazing home learning projects they work on over the break! We hope you enjoy catching up with this week's learning from the photos on the following pages.

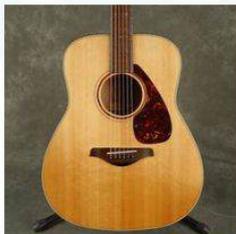
Music Lesson Taster



#WeMakeMusic

Fleet School Guitar and Ukulele lessons

- Have fun learning to play the guitar or ukulele at school
 - Lessons take place during the school day
 - Children can learn on their own, or share with a friend
 - Camden Music have instruments to hire
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- To sign up for lessons please visit www.camdenmusic.org or scan the QR code below



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This week, Billy from Camden Music Service visited classes to give them a taster of playing the guitar and ukelele.



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Web: www.fleet.camden.sch.uk

Star of the week!



Nursery

For helping us learn new songs and rhymes so enthusiastically. We love hearing you sing and join in!



Dates for your diary...

NURSERY 2025-26

Friday 27th February
9-10am

Camden Kids Talk Stay and Play

Tuesday 3rd March

Trip to OAE Concert at Cecil House

Tuesday 10th March - pm
(date change)

Trip to Kentish Town City Farm

Friday 13th March 9-10am

Camden Kids Talk Stay and Play



Star of the week!



Reception

You've been working hard to stay focused during carpet time and to join in during our phonics lessons. You've particularly impressed the adults this week with the enthusiasm you've shown when writing about our trips and special visits. It's great to see you using your phonics to sound out words. Keep it up,

Superstar



Dates for your diary...

RECEPTION 2025-26

3rd March	Trip to OAE music concert
5th March	World Book Day
10th + 11th March	Parents Meetings
12th March	Trip to October Gallery
24th March	Trip to London Zoo



...Reception!



Firefighters Dress Up Day



Star of the week!



Year 1

For how hard you have been trying in maths. You have shown so much determination and it has been lovely to see your confidence and enthusiasm growing each lesson. Well done!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 1 2025-26

5th March	World Book Day
5th March	Trip to a music concert
20th March	Class Assembly
23rd March	Trip to ZooTown







Star of the week!



Year 2

Andi - for your super effort in writing this week. You really pushed yourself in your amazing letter in role as the Lorax telling the Once-ler why we shouldn't cut down trees. You thought of so many reasons and explained them clearly. Well done, what a star!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 2 2025-26

13th March

Year 2 Assembly



...Year 2!





Star of the week!



Year 3

You are star of the week this week for your resilience and perseverance with your learning. No matter how hard something is you always give it a go. Well done also on being a super kind friend and a lovely classmate. You are always up for helping!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 3 2025-26

27th Feb	British Museum Trip
5th March	World Book day
6th March	Year 3 class assembly
18th + 19th March	Year 3 Parents Meetings



...Year 3!



Star of the week!



Year 4

For your amazing writing this week! I loved how you thoughtfully used our 'word aware' words to make your persuasive argument so emotive and powerful. Well done!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 4 2025-26

27th February	Class Assembly
10th March	Heath Education Centre
16th March	London Zoo
17th March	Keats Library





Year 5 Class Assembly...



Star of the week!



Year 5

You have blown me away with your confidence and attitude during rehearsals this week. Also, you are making some great progress in your learning and we have all been impressed with your motivation and drive recently. Keep going, you can do it you superstar!



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Dates for your diary...

YEAR 5 2025-26

Thurs 5th March	World Book Day
Friday 13th March	Science Museum

...Year 5!

