



Fleet News

Friday 14th February 2025

Message from the Head...

As we come to the end of a busy and creative term, I want to take a moment to celebrate all the hard work and achievements of our children. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and effort across all areas of learning - epitomised perfectly in this morning's pupil written Year 6 Class Assembly. I hope all the children take some well-earned rest over the half-term break. A huge thank you to everyone for your continued support—our recent parent questionnaire results, sent home yesterday, reflect the strong and positive partnership that exists between home and school and what makes Fleet such a special place, and for me a great place to work. Your feedback is invaluable, and we truly appreciate it. Yesterday, we held our very first Whole Class Tea in the hall, and it was fantastic to see so many of you at pick-up, enjoying time together as part of the Fleet community. A big thank you to the PTA and our class reps for organising this lovely event—we look forward to many more! This week, we marked Internet Safety Day with a range of activities and workshops across the school, focusing on the theme of online scams while also reinforcing all aspects of staying safe online. We know that navigating the digital world can be challenging, so if you ever need advice or support, please don't hesitate to ask. Hopefully, some of you were able to attend today's coffee morning on supporting children with screen time—thank you to those who joined us! I am looking forward to seeing the fantastic home learning projects set for half term. It's always a joy to see the creativity and effort that goes into them, and we can't wait to celebrate their hard work after the break. Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable half-term with family and friends. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Monday 24th February**.





General Health & Safety Reminders...

- 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.

Weekly Punctuality Award

Punctuality Matters – Let's Keep Up the Great Work! We've made fantastic progress with punctuality, but let's see if we can do even better! This week, we had **19 lates**, up slightly from **14 last week**. Every minute of learning counts, so let's work together to get that number down!

How Did Each Year Group Do?

Year 6 – Amazing effort with just **1 late!** Let's aim for **zero** after the half-term break!

Reception, Year 3, and Year 4 – Just **2 lates** each – well done!

Year 5 – **3 lates**, the same as last week – steady progress!

Year 2 – **4 lates**, up by 2 from last week. Let's make a push for improvement!

Year 1 – **5 lates** – let's work on getting in on time next week!

If your child has been late multiple times this week, we'll be in touch to see how we can support you. We're here to help!

Top Tips for a Smooth Morning


Mornings can be a rush, but small changes can make a big difference! Here are some simple ways to make getting to school on time easier:

Prep the night before – Lay out uniforms, pack bags, and fill water bottles in advance.

Set alarms a little earlier – A calm morning sets the tone for the day.

Plan a quick and easy breakfast – Or remember, children can grab their **morning bagel at school!**

A Few Helpful Reminders

 **Classrooms open at 8:45am** – No need to wait outside in the cold or rain!

 **Breakfast Club at the QUBE starts at 8am** – A warm and friendly start to the day.

 **Bagels served from 8:30am in the outside area** – Fuel for a great day of learning!

A huge **thank you** to all families for making punctuality a priority. Let's keep up the momentum and aim for even fewer lates after the half term break– we can do this!

Class	Lates
Y6	1
Rec, Y3 & Y4	2
Y5	3
Y2	4
Y1	5
Total	19

Weekly Attendance Award

Attendance Update – Well Done, Year 1! A huge **congratulations** to **Year 1** for topping the attendance chart this week with **95.6%**! You've increased your attendance by **2.2%** – fantastic effort! Keep up the great work!

Here's how the rest of our classes did this week:

Year 6: 95.1% (down 0.8%) – So close to the top! Let's aim high after half-term!

Year 5: 94.9% (down 2.1%) – Let's get those numbers back up next week!

Year 4: 94% (down 0.5%) – A small dip, but we believe in you!

Year 3: 93.9% (up 2.1%) – Amazing improvement, well done!

Year 2: 92.2% (down 3.8%) – Let's work together to boost those numbers!

Reception: 87.2% (down 9.2%) – We know you can do it, Reception!

Most Improved Classes

A **BIG** shout-out to **Year 1 and Year 3** for making the biggest improvements this week – both increasing attendance by over **2%**! You're moving closer to our school target of **96%** – keep going!

Overall School Attendance:

Our whole school attendance is currently **94.9%**, just **0.1% down** from last week. We're so close to our goal – let's keep going and work together to reach that **96%**!

Attendance Spotlight:

After half-term, we'll be holding another set of attendance meetings. Alison, our **School Inclusion Officer from Camden**, will be reviewing attendance and meeting with families if a child's attendance has fallen below a certain point.

A Few Friendly Reminders

- If your child is unwell and can't attend school, please call us **by 9am** each day on **0207 485 2028**.
- The weather is getting colder! Please make sure your child comes to school with a **warm coat, hat, gloves, and waterproofs** if needed.
- **Free breakfast!** Bagels are available in the playground from **8:30am** every morning – a great way to start the day!

Thank you for your support in making sure every child attends school **every day** they can! Let's keep up the great work after half-term!

Class	% this week	% last week
Y1	95.6%	93.4%
Y6	95.1%	95.9%
Y5	94.9%	97%
Y4	94%	94.5%
Y3	93.9%	91.8%
Y2	92.2%	96%
REC	87.2%	96.6%
Average for the week	93.3%	95%
Overall for the year so far	94.9%	95%

Meet the staff...



Name: Kat Grant

Role: Year 5 Class Teacher and English Lead

How long worked at Fleet:
Started in September!

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!

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

17th-21st February	Half Term Week - School Closed
25th February	National Child Measurement Programme - Rec & Y6
26th February	Fluoride Varnish - Nursery to Year 2
3rd-7th March	Fleet Book Week
4th March	Book Fair in the Hall - Daunt Books - 2-4.30pm - spend world book day token and buy a book
4th March	Spring Term Home Learning Project Exhibition - come along to the hall to see the fantastic projects
5th March	Dr Bike - Places limited (book via the office)
6th March	World Book Day - dress up as your favourite book character
26th-27th March	Parent—Teacher Meetings (note: most teachers will be doing these dates; due to working days some classes might do alternative evenings during this week—will confirm nearer the time)
31st March - 4th April	Wellbeing Week
4th April	Last day of term - close at 2pm

PARENTS ASSOCIATION & SPECIAL EVENTS

22nd May	Eid celebration after school.
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Lunch Menu: 24th - 28th February

Meat Free Monday

Chinese Noodles

or

Mediterranean
Gratin & New
Potatoes

Veg of the day

Yoghurt & Fruit

Tuesday

Meat/Halal:
Chicken Jollof Rice

Vegetarian:
Autumn
Butterbean Risotto

Veg of the day

Apple Crumble &
Custard

Wednesday

Meat/Halal:
Roast Chicken

Vegetarian:
BBQ Quorn

Potatoes
Veg of the day

Fruit Medley

Thursday

Meat/Halal:
Lasagne

Vegetarian:
Shepherdess Pie

Rice
Veg of the day

Chocolate Brownie

Friday

Meat/Halal:
Fish Fingers

Vegetarian:
Vegetable Stack

Chips/Wedges
Vegetables of the
day

Cinnamon Cookie

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 2: Aqsa, Akram, Blu, Emir, Elijah, Jodi, Mustafa

Year 3:

Year 4: Annie, Afreen, Yahya C, Yahya H, Zara

Year 5: Amina, Angelo, Jona, Mason, Rocco

Year 6: Mason

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: ****Aqsa****



Year 3: ****Zaina****

Year 4: ****Yahya C****

Year 5: ****Leo****

Year 6: ****Amreen****

Numbots Stars of the Week!

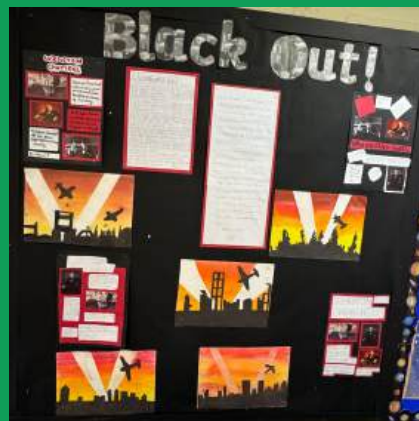
Year 1: ****Isa****

Year 2: ****Charlie****

THE FLEET CREATIVE CURRICULUM - SPRING TERM TOPICS...

Topic Letters and Snapshots were sent home via ParentHub (and a hard copy of the snapshot for yr1-6 should have come home with your child too to refer to at home and practice/learn the key factual information. These are also on the website and can be found here:

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



Year 6: Black Out
Year 5: Reach for the Stars
Year 4: Hopes and Heroes
Year 3: Glorious Greeks
Year 2: Seeds and Thneeds
Year 1: Wild Things
Reception: When I Grow Up
Nursery: Three is the Magic Number

Spring Term Home Learning Projects for Years 2-6

With half term approaching it is the time of year that the children in Years 2 to 6 are set their home learning projects.

The task is a very open one - they can produce any piece of work linked to and inspired by the topic they are learning about in class. It could be a model of an object or building they have studied; a piece of creative writing inspired by the learning; a non-fiction report on an aspect of the topic; artwork inspired by the project; a digital presentation; it really is up to them to decide the format of their project. We are always very impressed with their creativity and look forward to seeing what they produce.

Should they need any resources (paper, card etc.), please do let the teacher know before we break up for half term so that we can see what we can find in school to support. Project are due to be brought into school by 4th March. After school in the hall that day we will display all the projects in an exhibition and all families are invited to come along and see them. Happy creating!



**Due Date:
4th March**

**Exhibition:
In the Hall
Tuesday 4th
March**

@ 3.30pm

(will also be
available to see on
Morning of 5th
March from 8.30am)

This week at Fleet...

The final week at Fleet has been the usual mix of in and out of school learning. This week we had the Year 5 children all trained in first aid, resuscitation and how to use a defibrillator - this is a vital life skill and something we do with our year 5 class every year so that by the time the children have left Fleet they have all had this training. As well as that this week we've had visits to the Hindu Temple, the British Museum, Talacre, Keats Library as well as the usual learning in school and brass lessons. As part of the Internet Safety Day we also had Gillian in from the CLC to run workshops. This was all before this mornings fantastic Year 6 Class Assembly. What a busy end to a busy term! Well done to all the children for such a productive and purposeful term.



Whole Class Tea...

Yesterday the PTA and class reps put on our first 'Whole School Class Tea' in the hall after school. What a fantastic community event it was and huge thankyou to all the parents who helped out, brought in items to sell as well as to those of you who were able to come along and spend some time with the Fleet Community. Events like this really help bind our small community together. We're looking forward to next term's one now!

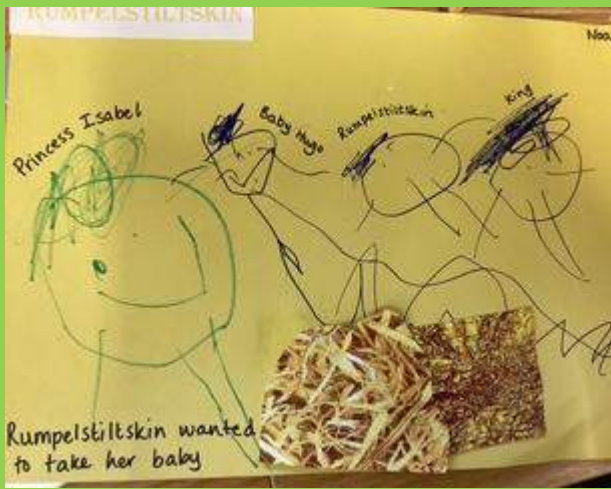


Star of the week!



Nursery

For your wonderful work around our focus story this week. You made a wonderful story picture with lots of details about Rumpelstiltskin and have been so eager to explore all the different activities. What a superstar you are!



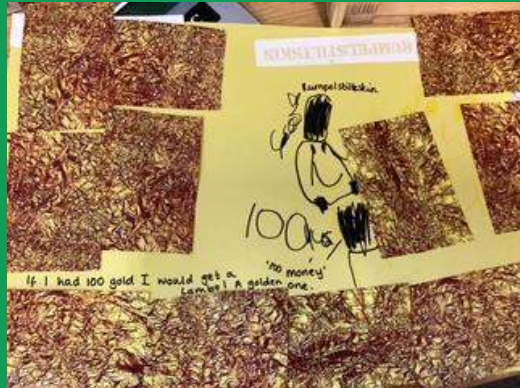
Dates for your diary...

NURSERY 2024-25

28th February	Camden Kids Talk Stay and Play @ 9am
14th March	Camden Kids Talk Stay and Play @ 9am
27th March	Trip to Kentish Town City Farm - pm
28th March	Camden Kids Talk Stay and Play @ 9am



...Nursery!



Star of the week!



Reception

For your efforts in phonics. You remain focused and are always listening carefully. Your progress is shown through your fantastic independent writing!

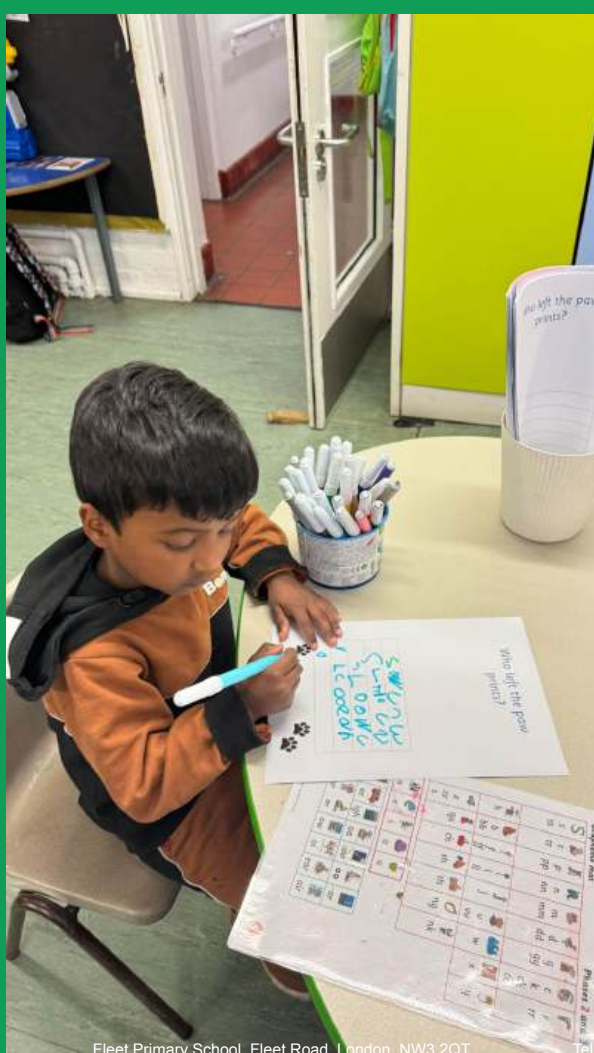


Dates for your diary...

RECEPTION 2024-25

25th February	Children Measurement Programme
26th February	Trip to the Zoo
10th March	OAE Concert- No packed lunch required
11th and 12th March	Parent Evening- link will be sent out
19th March	Trip to Hampstead Heath





Star of the week!



Year 1

You have been trying so hard with your handwriting this week. Your setting description was so neat and easy to read. It is great to see your fun ideas on paper. Keep up the amazing effort!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 1 2024-25

24th February	Trip to Wac Arts (packed lunch needed)
24th February	In school VR workshop PM (date change)
5th March	In school theatre workshop
20th March	Trip to the Zoo - (packed lunch needed)
28th March	Class Assembly - Parent/Carers welcome - 10am start





Star of the week!



Year 2

We have been really impressed your focus and extra effort in your learning this week, both when working independently and during carpet sessions. Well done and keep it up super star!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 2 2024-25

5th March	In school theatre workshop
21st March	Class Assembly - Parent/Carers welcome - 10am start
26th March	Trip to Hampstead Heath - Super Spring
29th April	Trip to Waitrose for cooking session





Star of the week!



Year 3

You are such a fantastic learner and you always try your best. This week you have shown what a caring and considerate friend you are. Thank you for looking out for others and helping in the classroom. Well done!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 3 2024-25

7th March

Class Assembly - Parent/Carers welcome - 10am start



...Year 3!



Star of the week!



Year 4

For being so respectful and focused during our visit to the Hindu temple. You were engaged and eager to learn more about the temple and the religion. I also enjoyed reading your story in English—your resolution was especially creative and engaging. Well done, and keep up the excellent work!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 4 2024-25

24th Feb-7th Mar	Intensive Swimming Block - swimming everyday @ Kentish Town Pool
14th March	Class Assembly - Parent/Carers welcome - 10am start
21st March	Trip to the Centre of the Cell





Star of the week!



Year 5

For really going for it with your writing this week and writing a fantastic biography all about Mae Jemison. What an incredible term you have had - always listening, trying your best and always being such a kind and thoughtful member of Year 5 - Well done and keep on shining you superstar!



Dates for your diary...

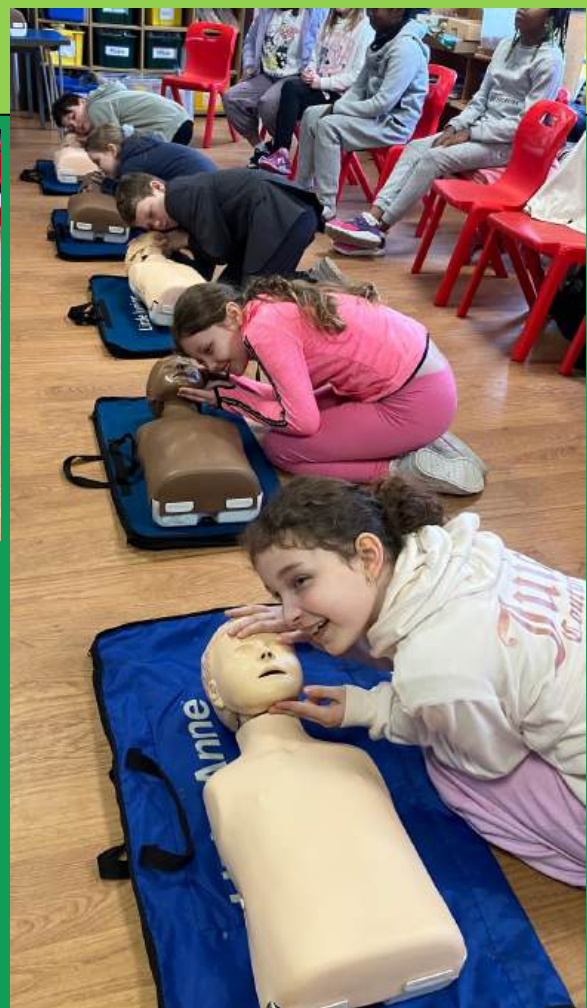
YEAR 5 2024-25

24th February	VR Workshop
28th February	Class Assembly - Parent/Carers Welcome - 10am start
17th March	Trip to the CLC
25th March	Cinema Trip
28th March	Google HQ Trip - (rescheduled date)





Year 5 First Aid & Defibrillator Training...



Star of the week!



Year 6

Faisa, you are the star of the week for your superb attitude and effort in English; both in reading and writing! You are making great improvements. I'm really proud of you!



Dates for your diary...

YEAR 6 2024-25

25th February	Children Measurement Programme
12th-15th May	KS2 SATs Week
9th-13th June	Residential Trip to Gower

...Year 6!



Year 6 Class Assembly...World War II



What an amazing Class Assembly
- written by and starring our
amazing Year 6 children!

Year 6 Class Assembly...World War II

