



# Fleet News

Friday 17th January 2025

## Message from the Head...

I'd like to start this week with a huge thank you to Lisa Bradley and Anna Wheatley for their dedication this year (and previous) in ensuring we can take part in the Camden School's Football competition - standing on the sidelines at Talacre in the winter is not how many would choose to spend their Tuesday's after work, but it means so much to the children to be able to take part. Also, amazing thanks to parent Tom Looney who has added his coaches touch to supporting the children in this and last season's competition. Our last league fixtures were this week and I am pleased to say well done to the boys team who have amassed enough points that they cannot be overtaken and have won the League! We're very proud of both the boys and the girls team for their dedication and effort. I finished this week at the Annual Camden Head Teachers conference. It has been a great opportunity to hear some inspirational speakers and hear about some of the latest developments in education, bringing back ideas to discuss with staff at Fleet and maybe move forward with. Finally, I'd like to thank you all for your continued efforts in terms of attendance. Camden recently published some data based on last term and I was delighted to see that the improvement we saw in the Autumn Term - improving on Autumn 2023-24 by over 1.5% - was the biggest improvement seen by any Camden Primary School. Here's hoping Spring and Summer continues to see improvement and we can get back to finishing the year over our target of 96% as we were pre-covid. Good levels of attendance is one of the key determiners of good educational outcomes. Have a lovely weekend and see you all on Monday.





# General Health & Safety Reminders...

- 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 qube 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 (*someone hurt themselves last week*). 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

Lates are creeping up from 16 last week to 21. Well done to Year 6 who achieved no lates at all, followed by Year 5 and Year 3 with just 1 late each and Year 1 with 2 lates. Reception, Year 4 and Year 2 all had 5 or more lates this week and need to improve.

If your child has been repeatedly late, you will have received a message letting you know how many occasions your child has been late this year. If you are finding getting to school on time difficult, then you may need to think about your morning routine and what could be done to ensure this doesn't happen again. If you need any support with this, please do contact us.

Remember, classrooms are open from 8.45am so children (and adults) do not need to wait in the cold or rain outside. The QUBE in the Junior playground is also open from 8am for Breakfast Club.

Thank you to all of those children (and parents) that continue to get their children into school on time. We appreciate your continued support.

Class	Lates
Y6	0
Y5 & Y3	1
Y1	2
REC & Y4	5
Y2	7
Total	21

Well done to Year 6 - top of the attendance tree this week with 100%, they have jumped up a massive 4.2%. 4 out of our 7 classes were above 95%, with Year 3 coming in second with 99.2%, which is a 3.4% increase on last week, followed by Year 1 with 96.3% and Year 2 with 95.3%, which is also a 3.4% increase. Well done to them. Year 4 and Year 5 had a bit of a dip in their attendance this week, with Year 4 dropping by 3.1% and Year 5 dropping by 4.6% - let's see if we can get it back to where it was next week.

Our overall attendance for the week has increased slightly by 0.5% (just 0.1% below our target of 96%) - I am sure we can get our weekly average up to 96% next week! Our overall for the year so far has stayed the same at 94.9%.

Our School Inclusion Officer from Camden, Allison will be coming in next week to meet with parents regarding attendance and punctuality. If your child's individual attendance falls below a certain point, Camden will arrange a meeting with you to discuss any barriers and how we can support you in getting your child into school.

Please remember to let us know each day, by 9am if your child is unable to attend school. Thank you to all those children (and parents) showing resilience at this time of year when there are a number of bugs floating around and the weather is often less than inviting when we step out of our front doors in the morning. Remember to ensure that all children come in with warm coats, hats and gloves on these very cold days and that they have a waterproof coat if rain is forecast.

Class	% this week	% last week
Y6	100%	95.8%
Y3	99.2%	95.8%
Y1	96.3%	96.7%
Y2	95.3%	91.9%
Y5	94.9%	99.5%
Y4	93.1%	96.2%
REC	92.7%	90.6%
Average for the week	95.9%	95.2%
Overall for the year so far	94.9%	94.9%

# Weekly Attendance Award

# Meet the staff...



**Name:** Shami

**Role:** Teaching Assistant in  
Nursery

**How long worked at Fleet:** 10  
years

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 a traditional  
Bangladeshi fish curry with  
rice.

## Favourite Book as a child...

Please Mrs Butler by Allen Ahlberg - it's a  
collection of funny poems about school.

## Hidden Talent...

I love baking and trying out new recipes.  
Most of all decorating cakes which I find  
therapeutic.

## Favourite thing about school as a child...

Spending time with friends during  
breaks and participating in sports  
clubs ie netball and football.

## Dream destination...

My home country- Bangladesh. To  
see the beautiful places I've yet to  
see with my children.

## Surprise fact about you...

I'm from a rural riverside town in the  
midlands, known for growing fruit and  
vegetables especially asparagus.

## Any other jobs...

I've worked in retail and working  
in residential care homes taking  
care of the elderly.

## Favourite Film...

Matilida  
I love the message in the film, her  
perseverance, strong character and  
that she has so much hope!

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

I wanted to always work around  
babies/children. Grew up  
wanting to be a Midwife.

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

I like to spend time with my children, cooking,  
cleaning, diy around the home and gardening.

# 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 <sup>th</sup> January 2025
Half term (inclusive)	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb 2025
Last day of term	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025 – close at 2pm

## SUMMER TERM

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

## STAFF INSET DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED

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

23rd January	Camden Money and Advice Session for Parents in the QUBE: 9-11.30am
23rd & 24th January	Fleet Community Catch up - 23rd Jan 3:30pm-4:15pm and 24th Jan 8:30am-9:15am
24th January	Parent/Carer Engagement Session - Inclusion of Neurodiversity in schools QUBE: 2:00-3:30pm
31st January	KS1 and KS2 Open Morning: Maths focus - 9-9.30am
3rd-7th February	Children's Mental Health Week
7th February	Parent Coffee Morning - with a focus on sleep QUBE: 9-10am
11th-12th February	Internet Safety Day Events/Workshops/Assemblies
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
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

For individual class dates see class pages from Page 19 onwards...

# Lunch Menu: 20th - 24th January

## Meat Free Monday

French Bread  
Pizza  
**or**  
Tomato & Veg  
Pasta Bake

Veg of the day

Yoghurt & Fruit

## Tuesday

**Meat/Halal:**  
Spaghetti  
Bolognaise  
**Vegetarian:**  
Vegan Mince  
Spaghetti

Veg of the day

Fruit Jelly &  
Mandarins

## Wednesday

**Meat/Halal:**  
Roast Chicken  
**Vegetarian:**  
Cheese & Tomato  
Quiche

Veg of the day

Fruit Medley

## Thursday

**Meat/Halal:**  
Chickpea Chat  
Aloo  
**Vegetarian:**  
Chinese Chicken

Rice  
Veg of the day

Peach Crumble &  
Custard

## Friday

**Meat/Halal:**  
Battered Fish  
**Vegetarian:**  
5 Bean Chilli

Jacket Potato  
Vegetables of the  
day

Oaty 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:** Andrra, Aqsa, Charlie, Elijah, Enzo, Jodi, Mia, Rayyan, Sabia, Syed, Tommy, Zaida

**Year 3:** Lucas, Krena and Aleeza

**Year 4:** Albie, Mariam, Musa, Yahya C, Yahya H, Zara

**Year 5:** Angelo, Millie, Robyn

**Year 6:** Faisa, Lorik, Lottie, Lenny

# 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 3: Zaina—13,297 coins!**



**Year 4: Jasmine—2,731 coins!**

**Year 5: Leo—26,423 coins!**

**Year 6: Saaimah—3,277 coins!**

## Numbots Stars of the Week!

**Year 1: Leo—1,148 coins!**

**Year 2: Charlie—569 coins!**

# THE FLEET CREATIVE CURRICULUM - SPRING TERM TOPICS...

The classes started their Spring Term Topics this week. The list is shown below. Next week the topic letter and snapshots will be sent home.

The corridor display in the Admin block will also be updated next week to show the first bits of work produced in the new topics and showcase the wonderful work of the children. Do pop along at pick up or drop off to have a look. We will share photos of these new displays next week. Make sure and check each class page for the date of their class assembly this term (Y1-6) so that you don't miss out on their topic showcase!

**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**





# Year 5 & 6 Camden Schools Football - Talacre League

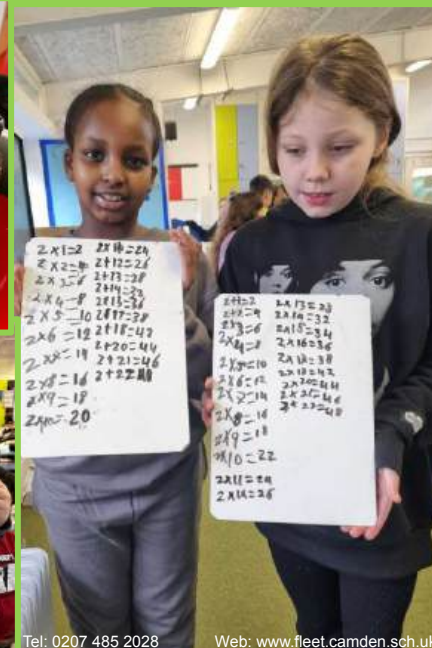
This week saw our teams play their last two fixtures of the Talacre League. The boys and girls teams have both played with determination and teamwork throughout the league campaign. In their last two fixtures the girls drew one and lost the other match, finishing a respectable 6th in the league. The boys won their last two fixtures 2-0 against Gospel Oak and 1-0 against Brookfield. This means that the boys end the season with just one loss from 11 games on their books and cannot now be overtaken at the top of the table and are the 2024-25 Talacre League Champions. We wait now until later in the year when they will play in the Camden Finals against the top teams from the other Camden Leagues for the title of best school team in the whole of Camden. Well done to both the boys and girls teams and huge thanks to Lisa B and Anna for getting the teams there each week and to Tom Looney for his fantastic coaching.



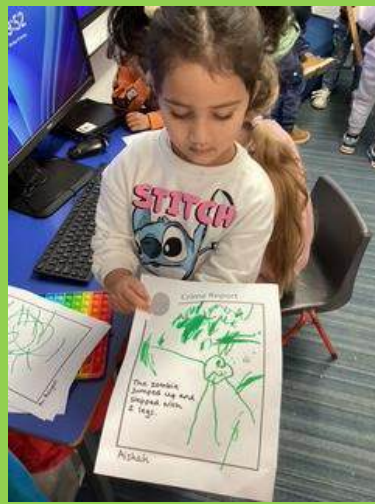
# This week at Fleet...

It's been another busy week in school. Classes have been immersing in their new topics and we've had the first few trips of the new term too. We also had a visit from author Andrew Scott who shared his book with the KS2 classes in a special assembly.

The children have made a great start to 2025 and are really working hard. Well done to them all. We hope you enjoy looking at what they have been doing through the photos on the following pages.



# Star of the week!



# Dates for your diary...

NURSERY 2024-25	
24th January	Camden Kids Talk Stay and Play @ 9am
7th February	Camden Kids Talk Stay and Play @ 9am
28th February	Camden Kids Talk Stay and Play @ 9am
14th March	Camden Kids Talk Stay and Play @ 9am
28th March	Camden Kids Talk Stay and Play @ 9am

## Nursery

We are so proud of how you are developing confidence on the equipment outside. You can balance all the way along the thin bench without falling off! Your friends are trying so hard to be able to do this like you can, and you are showing them how. Great job!



# ...Nursery!



# Star of the week!



## Reception

What a fantastic week!  
You've really enjoyed playing in the vets role-play area this term. It's wonderful to see you interacting positively with your peers and turn taking.



# Dates for your diary...

## RECEPTION 2024-25

29th January	Reception Dress Up Day—theme Occupations
6th February	Stay and Play @ 9am
25th February	Children Measurement Programme
26th February	Trip to the Zoo
19th March	Trip to Hampstead Heath



# ...Reception!



# Star of the week!



## Year 1

For your fantastic monster description. You used such creative ideas and details to bring your monster to life! Well done.



# Dates for your diary...

## YEAR 1 2024-25

22nd January	Visit from firefighters
24th February	Trip to WAC Arts - (packed lunch needed)
5th March	In school theatre workshop
20th March	Trip to the Zoo - (packed lunch needed)
27th March	Class Tea - Parents to organise after school
28th March	Class Assembly - Parent/Carers welcome - 10am start



# ...Year 1!





# Star of the week!



## Year 2

We love the animal poem you have written this week. You have used some fabulous similes and descriptive language. Well done!



# Dates for your diary...

## YEAR 2 2024-25

<b>11th February</b>	Trip to Keats Library
<b>5th March</b>	In school theatre workshop
<b>20th March</b>	Class Tea - Parents to organise after school
<b>21st March</b>	Class Assembly - Parent/Carers welcome - 10am start
<b>29th April</b>	Trip to Waitrose for cooking session

# ...Year 2!



# Star of the week!



## Year 3

You continuously work hard and try your best in everything you do. This week, you have been brave and resilient during sharing and a fantastic role model. Thank you are being a kind friend and always being curious!



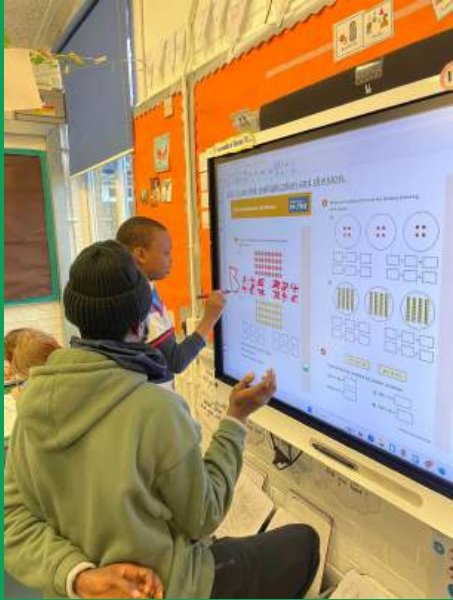
# Dates for your diary...

## YEAR 3 2024-25

15th January	After School Dodgeball competition @ Talacre - selected children
16th January	Sports morning at Talacre
20th January	Trip to the CLC
23rd January	Sports morning at Talacre
30th January	Sports morning at Talacre
6th February	Sports morning at Talacre
11th February	Trip to the British Museum
13th February	Sports morning at Talacre
13th March	Class Tea - Parents to organise after school
14th March	Class Assembly - Parent/Carers welcome - 10am start



# ...Year 3!



# Star of the week!



## Year 4

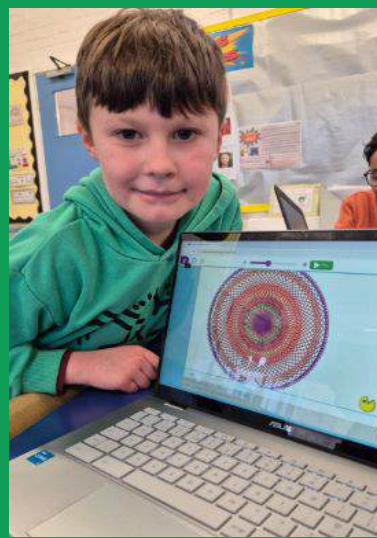
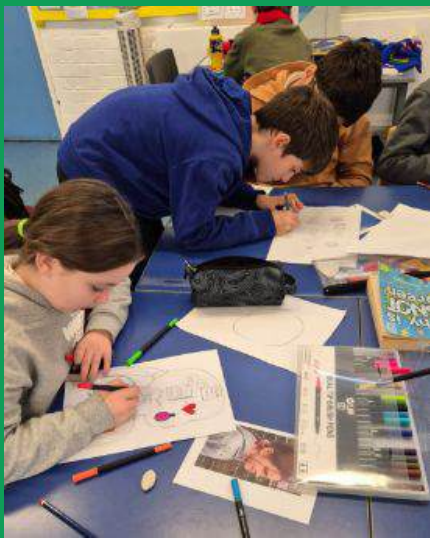
You come to school with a contagious smile and positive energy. Your attitude towards learning impresses everyone, you are always keen to learn and share. The pattern you created in computing was beautiful! Keep it up, Superstar!



# Dates for your diary...

## YEAR 4 2024-25

<b>22nd January</b>	Trip to the Science Museum
<b>11th February</b>	Trip to the Hindu Temple
<b>24th Feb-7th Mar</b>	Intensive Swimming Block - swimming everyday @ Kentish Town Pool
<b>6th March</b>	Class Tea—Parents to organise after school
<b>7th March</b>	Class Assembly - Parent/Carers welcome - 10am start
<b>21st March</b>	Trip to the Centre of the Cell



# Star of the week!



## Year 5

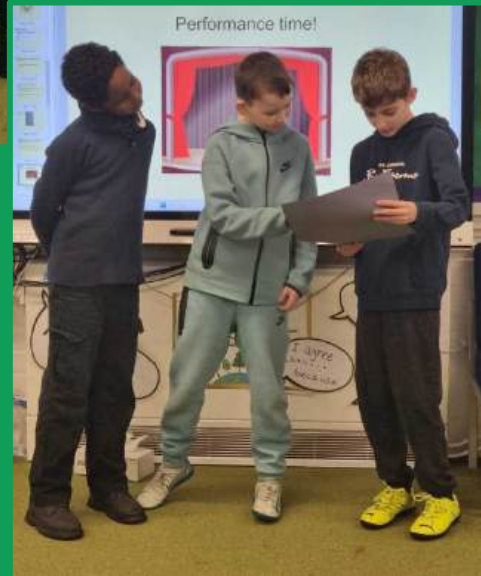
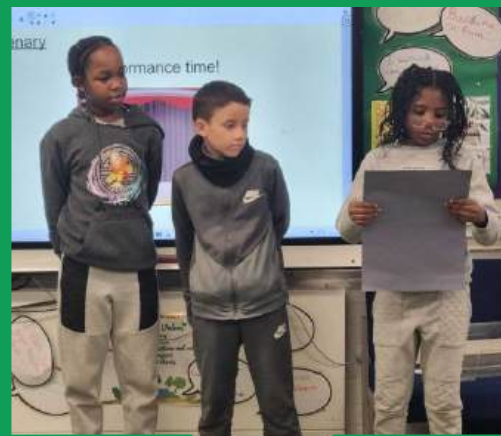
For having such a positive attitude in school this week. It's a joy to see you coming in with a big smile on your face, ready to learn. You're a polite and helpful member of Year 5 which goes a long way! Keep up the hard work and positivity, well done!



# Dates for your diary...

## YEAR 5 2024-25

<b>27th January</b>	Trip to the Science Museum
<b>12th February</b>	Defibrillator and First Training
<b>27th February</b>	Class Tea - parents to organise after school
<b>28th February</b>	Class Assembly - Parent/Carers Welcome - 10am start
<b>17th March</b>	Trip to the CLC





# Star of the week!



## Year 6

This week, you have come into class everyday with a marvellous attitude to learning. You are ready to learn and just get stuck straight in! I really enjoyed reading your biography on Winston Churchill. Well done superstar!



# Dates for your diary...

## YEAR 6 2024-25

<b>22nd January</b>	Trip to Theatre to see Matilda (late back to school - approx. <b>5.15pm</b> )
<b>5th February</b>	Team of 4 to Camden Maths Challenge @ Rosary School
<b>7th February</b>	Trip to the RAF Museum
<b>13th February</b>	Class Tea - parents to organise after school
<b>14th February</b>	Class Assembly - Parent/Carers Welcome - 10am start
<b>25th February</b>	Children Measurement Programme
<b>12th-15th May</b>	KS2 SATs Week
<b>9th-13th June</b>	Residential Trip to Gower



# ...Year 6!



