

Floreat Wandsworth Primary School Newsletter – Friday 18th October 2019

FLOURISHING FLOREAT FAMILIES FINESSE THEIR PHONICS!

Thank you to the parents, pupils and staff for working so well together during our first round of Family Learning sessions. The Reception parents had their first experience of how Miss Williams and Miss Root are helping the pupils to learn how to read. Year 1 pupils also continued their learning journey as they look to become confident readers ready to tackle fiction and non-fiction books and texts. Keep it up everyone!



FW LIBRARIANS

Congratulations to our new School Librarians who will be helping to keep the library well organised and tidy. A key theme of their role is to **serve others** which has always been a strength of our school. There was a very high standard of applications and we want to thank all those pupils who spent a long time writing about why they should be considered for the role. We very much appreciate your efforts!



MINDFULNESS AT FW!

We are delighted to be combining the expertise of staff and external advisers to develop mindfulness within our curriculum offer.

This year we will be developing:

- strategies to help pupils to focus their attention
- positive academic, social, and emotional well-being
- yoga within the school day
- calm spaces for pupils
- staff expertise through dedicated training sessions
- a dedicated Wellness Week



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

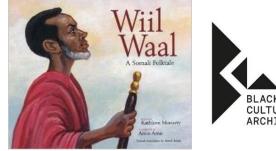
As part of Black History Month Year 4 pupils learnt all about different musicians including Aretha Franklin (photo top left) and Whitney Houston. They also studied the origins of Blues music and took time to listen carefully to the music and were asked to describe how the music made them feel.

Pupils in Assembly listened to the story of Rosa Parks (photo top right). Rosa was an activist in the civil rights movement best known for her pivotal role in the Montgomery bus boycott. Rosa Parks has often been referred to as "the first lady of civil rights" and "the mother of the freedom movement".

Book Love Half Term Takeover: During half term there are a number of workshops and events taking place at the Black Cultural Archives in Brixton. There are workshops suitable for children based on a variety of different themes including Somali folktales, music, food and many more! Follow this link for more information https://blackculturalarchives.org/events









AROUND THE SCHOOL...



Above: Focussed learners in Curie Class during their morning reading session!





Above: Pupils in Year 2 (and all over the school) engage in Perfect Partner conversations every day in a range of different lessons. This gives all pupils an opportunity to talk about their ideas and opinions. In this photo the pupils are discussing the best way to improve a sentence written by Miss Wood. This helps the pupils to be independent when it's time to write in their books.

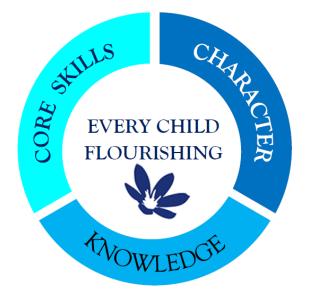
Left: Year 4 pupils enjoying their Tuesday Netball lesson under bright blue London skies. We really appreciate the focus from all the pupils in this photo!

FAMILIAR FACES GIVE A HELPING HAND!

We were delighted to welcome Lord James O'Shaughnessy (below left) back to Floreat Wandsworth this week. James was instrumental in setting up this school in 2015 within this thriving community. He saw his vision in action across the school and was spellbound by what the Nursery children could do after such a short time in school! James was accompanied by Mrs Camilla Brough (below right) who is the Chair of the School Strategy Board (sometimes referred to as a Governing Body in some schools). We are very grateful to Camilla and the School Strategy Board team who continue to offer support, guidance and hold the school to account.



OUR SCHOOL VISION



CHARACTER: Pupils will master character virtues such as bravery, service, honesty & gratitude. Our nurturing approach helps to support pupils to reveal their character virtues.

CORE SKILLS: Pupils will have confident & accomplished skills in English & Maths as well the ability to think creatively & critically.

KNOWLEDGE: Pupils will have a deep knowledge & understanding of the essential facts about our world.

Our approach is carefully designed to ensure **EVERY CHILD FLOURISHES.**

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

Our first priority at this school is to ensure all pupils are safe. If you ever have a concern about the safety and/or the wellbeing of a child then please do approach Mr Custance who is the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) at Floreat Wandsworth. You can also ask for Mrs Davies, Mrs Fry or Ms Burke who are the Deputy DSLs.







MR CUSTANCE (HEAD TEACHER)

MRS FRY, MS BURKE & MRS DAVIES (ASSISTANT HEADTEACHERS)

Key Safeguarding/Child Protection Reminders:

 You can find our Safeguarding Policy on the Policies part of our website:

http://www.floreatwandsworth.org.uk/policies

- ✓ If you have a Safeguarding concern then please call the School Office Team and tell them that your concern is urgent as it relates to Safeguarding.
- ✓ To find out more about Safeguarding and Child Protection please visit the Wandsworth Information page where you can find lots of useful links about a range of different issues:

http://www.wscb.org.uk/wscb/info/2/parents_carers_fam ily_and_friends



DATES FOR THE DIARY

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
HALF TERM BREAK (2 weeks off for pupils) - Friday 18 th October at 3.30pm to Monday 4 th November at 8.30am			
Tuesday 5 th November	8.30 - 9.30am	Year 2 Family Learning	Hall
Wednesday 6 th November	8.30 – 9.30am	Year 3 Family Learning	Hall
Thursday 7 th November	8.30 - 9.30am	Nursery Family Learning	Hall
Thursday 14 th November	8.30 – 9.30am	Anti-Bullying Workshop – All parents welcome	Hall
Friday 15 th November	8.30 – 9.30am	FOFW Coffee Morning	Hall
Friday 15 th November	All day	Children in Need Non-Uniform Day	Not applicable
Tuesday 19 th November	4 - 7.30pm	Teacher & Parent Meetings	Classrooms
Thursday 21 st November	4 - 7.30pm	Teacher & Parent Meetings	Classrooms
Wednesday 27 th November	Evening – timings to be confirmed	FOFW Christmas Shopping Event	Hall
Friday 29 th November	3.30pm	FOFW Cake Sale – Year 1	Playground
Wednesday 4 th December	Evening - timings to be confirmed	FOFW Carols by Candlelight	Playground / Hall
Friday 6 th December	8.30 – 9.30am	FOFW Coffee Morning	Hall
Tuesday 10 th December	8.45 - 9.30am	Nursery & Reception Nativity	Hall
Thursday 12 th December	8.45 - 9.30am	Year 1 & 2 Nativity	Hall
Friday 13 th December	8.45 - 9.30am	Year 3 & 4 Festive Concert	Hall
Monday 16 th to Thursday 19 th	In school time	Class or Year Group End of Term Parties	Hall
Friday 20 th December	All day	FOFW Christmas Jumper / Non- Uniform Day	Not applicable
WINTER BREAK (2 w	veeks off for pupils) Fric	lay 20th December at 3.30pm to Tuesday 7	th January at 8.30am

Family Learning = A wonderful opportunity for teachers, parents and pupils to learn together! We will show you what we are doing in school and the different ways in which to support your child at home. It is an expectation that a member of the family, or a friend of the family, attend these sessions.

Teacher & Parent Meetings = A 10 minute meeting with the class teacher. The first meeting of the year will focus on the personal and social side of school life. Parents will also have an opportunity to look at the work pupils have completed so far. Written reports will be released to parents during the second and third meetings of the year (in the Spring & Summer Terms).



HAVE A LOVELY HALF TERM BREAK! SEE YOU ON MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER