

IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK!

Welcome back to all the pupils and families as we begin our eighth glorious year here at FW! The warm welcome also extends to all the new pupils who have recently joined our school. Well done for being brave and courageous when making new friends and trying new activities! We hope that you enjoy the selection of photos throughout this newsletter and do look out for the **Family Learning dates**. Family Learning is a very special event where children will learn with their grown-ups with clear guidance from the teachers. Adult attendance is essential, so please ensure that at least one member of your family or a close friend can attend.

As we settle into the new academic year please feel free to approach **Mr Custance** (Headteacher) if you have any questions or concerns. You will usually find Mr Custance in the morning and the afternoon on the playground or by the Farlton Rd Entrance. The rest of the Leadership Team is set up in the following way:

Senior Leaders:

Mrs Marsden - Head of Inclusion

Mrs Davies - Assistant Headteacher and EYFS Lead

[please note that Mrs Fry has now started her maternity leave]

Middle Leaders:

Mrs Vaughan (Upper School Lead & Maths Lead)

Ms McLeod (Lower School Lead & English Lead)

Ms Matthews (Knowledge Faculty Lead)

Mr Goodwin (Character Faculty Lead)



OUR VISION



We believe that all pupils should flourish in and out of school. Our promise to pupils is to develop their broad range of **character virtues**, to enhance their **core skills** and to deepen their **knowledge** of the world around them. We want our families to join us and the pupils on this journey and be very much part of everything we aim to achieve at this school.

ATTENDANCE

- **We aim to make every moment in school count.** The school year of 187 days is carefully designed to ensure pupils receive lots of opportunities for family time alongside purposeful learning at school. Please support us by ensuring your child is in school, and on time, each day.
- **100% Attendance Certificates** will be given out to pupils at the end of the first half of the Spring Term and then again at the end of Summer Term.
- Thank you for helping to get your child to school for the 8.30am or an 8.35am start. Our **punctuality record** is getting better and better!
- Please note that taking your child out of school without permission will be marked as an '**unauthorised absence**' and this will form part of your child's permanent school record. Holidays during term time are not allowed.
- Attendance is marked on the school record in the following format.

95%+: Outstanding

95%+ & a recorded lateness: Good

90-95%: Satisfactory

Less than 90% and/or a record of Unauthorised Absences: Requires improvement



FAMILY LEARNING

Since September 2015 we have developed a **very strong culture of working in partnership with families**. One of the best ways of involving families is to invite them to Family Learning events in the hall. We will show you what we are doing in school and the different ways in which to support your child at home. These sessions are very important to us and our model of Family Learning has been replicated by many other schools around the country.

- It is an expectation that a member of the family or a family friend attend these sessions. If you cannot attend then please do partner your child up with a friend of the family. This has worked really well in the past and is in line with our commitment to being inclusive and serving others.
- Sessions will run from approximately **8.30am to 9.30am**.
- The teachers will work with you for approximately 20 minutes and then the children will be brought from their classroom to work with you on a variety of activities.
- We ask that you engage fully with the sessions and switch off your mobile phones.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you soon!

OUR CURRICULUM

At this school we start with a simple idea: that education is as much about developing young people's **character** strengths and virtues as it is about developing their academic knowledge both through **core** skills and **knowledge** learning. Our curriculum approach is divided into the following areas:

PREPARATION FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL & BEYOND	THE EARLY YEARS	PERSONAL, EMOTIONAL & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
ENGLISH	MATHS	SCIENCE
HISTORY	GEOGRAPHY	SPANISH
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	DRAMA	COMPUTING
ART & DESIGN	OUT OF THE CLASSROOM EXPERIENCES	MUSIC
DANCE	MINDFULNESS	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

[Please click on here to find out more about our curriculum offer!](#)

SOCIAL MEDIA



Social media formats such as Facebook and WhatsApp can be a very helpful way of sharing school information such as whole school or class reminders. We use Twitter to celebrate the great work we do.

We kindly ask that social media is always used in a positive way and not as a way to advertise personal concerns or complaints. Should you have a concern you can always talk to the teacher.

THE CALM SCHOOL CODE

Act kindly.
Speak nicely.
Listen carefully.
Move calmly.



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 or Mrs Marsden who are the Deputy DSLs. You can also contact these members of staff if you have any concerns about any member of our school community including parents and staff.



MR CUSTANCE (HEADTEACHER)

MRS DAVIES

MRS MARSDEN

**Keeping
children safe
is everyone's
responsibility**



- 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: [Wandsworth Safeguarding Children Partnership](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/wandsworth-safeguarding-children-partnership) (wscp.org.uk)

PE

In Years 1 and 2, our lessons have been based around the fundamentals of sport. FUN plays a huge part of our offer! The children have been exploring a variety of different movements, showing off their throwing and catching skills and demonstrating their kicking skills whilst learning about the importance of spatial awareness within sports. The children were introduced to how to use hockey sticks safely and effectively.

In Years 3 to 6, children have learnt how to move whilst holding their hockey stick safely, before progressing onto learning how to perform a 'sweep and slide' accurately. All children had the time to practice individually and within small teams so that they could focus on applying the technique learnt during the lesson. Throughout each lesson, our coaches set challenges and targets for the children to meet.

Next up in PE: Year 1 and 2 children will be given the opportunity to learn how to dribble a Hockey ball, whilst transforming into Astronauts for space-themed games.

Children in Years 3 to 6 will be learning how to develop their accuracy when using the sweep and slide.

In Other News:

We have signed up to the Wandsworth School Games, which we will hope within time, will give us more opportunities to participate in events and fixtures. Football fixtures are also being arranged!



AUTUMN TERM DATES 2022

Date	Time	Event	Where
SEPTEMBER			
Monday 26 th	8.25-9 am	School Tour	
Tuesday 27 th	3.45-4.15 pm	School Tour	
Wednesday 28 th	8.25-9 am	School Tour	
Friday 30 th	8.30-9.30 am	2 nd hand uniform sale	Hall
	8.30-9.30 am	Year 3 & Year 5 Parent Forum	Hall
OCTOBER			
Monday 3 rd	8.30-9.30 am	Year 2 Family Learning	Hall
	8.25-9 am	School Tour	
Tuesday 4 th	8.30-9.30 am	Year 3 Family Learning	Hall
Wednesday 5 th	8.30-9.30 am	Year 4 Family Learning	Hall
Thursday 6 th	8.30-9.30 am	Year 5 Family Learning	Hall
	8.25-9 am	School Tour	
Friday 7 th	Non-uniform day (GLF Schools - 10 th Anniversary)		
	8.30-9.30 am	Year 6 Family Learning	Hall
Monday 10 th - Friday 14 th	3-3.30pm	Book fair week	Playground / Hall
Monday 10 th	8.30-9.30 am	Nursery Family Learning	Hall
Tuesday 11 th	8.30-9.30 am	Reception Family Learning	Hall
Thursday 13 th	8.30-9.30 am	Year 1 Family Learning	Hall
Friday 14 th	All Day	Reception Class Trip to Polka Theatre	Off Site
	3.00-3.30pm	Year 2 Cake Sale	Playground
Friday 21 st	Non-uniform day (Wacky Hair Day - PTA Fundraiser)		
Monday 24 th - Friday 28 th Half Term Week			
Monday 31 st	Inset Day - the school is closed to pupils		
NOVEMBER			
Tuesday 1 st	8.30am	Children back to school	
Friday 4 th	8.30-9.30	Coffee morning guest with speaker TBC	Hall
Tuesday 8 th	4-7 pm	Parents Evening	Classrooms
Wednesday 9 th	4-7 pm	Parents Evening	Classrooms
Friday 11 th	8.30-9.30 am	Year 3 & Year 5 Parent Forum	Hall
Friday 25 th	8.30-9.30 am	Coffee morning	Hall
Monday 28 th Nov - Friday 2 nd Dec Clubs Showcase Week - All clubs finish until 2023			
Wednesday 30 th	7-9 pm	PTA Christmas Shopping event (Adults only)	Hall
DECEMBER			
Monday 5 th	8.30-9.30 am	EYFS/Nursery & Reception Nativity	Hall
Tuesday 6 th	8.30-9.30 am	Lower School Nativity	Hall
Wednesday 7 th	8.30-9.30 am	Lower School Nativity	Hall
Friday 9 th	8.30-9.30 am	Upper School Festive Performance	Hall
	3-3.30 pm	Reception Cake Sale	Playground
Friday 16 th	Non-uniform day (last day of term)		
JANUARY 2023			
Tues 3 rd Jan	Inset Day - the school is closed to pupils		
Weds 4 th Jan	8.30 am	Children back to school	

Floreat Wandsworth Nursery

NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE



- Free 15/30 hour places
- Teacher Led Nursery

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PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL!

