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Thursday 20th September 2018

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Reading Day - Tomorrow

Tomorrow we are having a **READING DAY** at school. All children are invited to dress as a book character OR replace just part of their uniform, e.g. Harry Potter glasses, red shoes for Dorothy from The Wizard of Oz etc. AND bring in their favourite book, IF you have it at home. We are also inviting children to bring their parent(s) into class for the first part of the day - until 10am - to work together on a book activity. Please enter school via the playground at 8:55am. Children are to enter at the usual time of 8:45am to be registered before parents will be invited in. If you have more than one child in school, please feel free to divide your time between the classrooms. Year 4 will still go swimming. Children in Little Lighthouse and the Nursery may dress up if they wish but parents will not be invited in on this occasion. Challenge: Can you 'Get Caught Reading' in an unusual place? Post your photo (one per child) on our school Facebook page. Please only post on the day!!

The MORE
 that You read,
 the MORE things
 You will know.
 The MORE that You
 LEARN,
 the MORE places You'll go.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Foundation Stage (Little Lighthouse, Nursery and Reception classes) are holding a Coffee Morning for Macmillan Cancer Relief, 9-10am, on Friday 28th September. Entry with your child via the nursery and reception doors. There will be lots of cakes and biscuits and some fun activities to do with the children. Donations of cakes from all pupils would be very much appreciated. Please send into school next week.

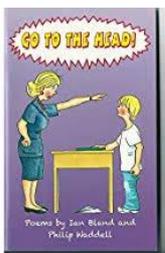
Star Baker Competition!

We are also holding a special competition. Are you an aspiring star baker? Can you make the best cake at Flakefleet? £2 entrance fee. Entries to be brought into school by 8.55am on Thursday 27th September. The cakes will then be sliced and sold, all proceeds to go to the charity.



Poetry Jam 2018

Children will bring home a poem by Jack Prelutsky, to learn for this year's Poetry Jam. Please encourage your child to learn their poem adding expression and actions where appropriate. Finals will be held in the last week of this half term, lots of prizes up for grabs!



Ian Bland

The author Ian Bland will be visiting school on Tuesday 25th September. The day always proves lots of fun with rhyme, actions and plenty of giggles. There'll be a book sale after school (in entrance) where Ian will be selling and signing his books, great opportunity for a selfie too! Books are sold at £5.99, children can bring money on Tuesday morning if more convenient.

School Values

This half term the value we will have a particular focus on is: **Making Good Choices**
 You can support this at home as obviously your child, like everyone, has lots of choices to make each day, some easy; some more difficult.
 We need to teach our children that every choice has a consequence, and this could be good or bad depending on what decision they make.



Homework at Flakefleet.

As your child goes through school he/she will be asked to complete homework activities on a regular basis. For each Year Group, details can be found in the booklets sent home last week or from your child's class teacher.



Foundation Stage

Foundation Stage parents have been given information about expectations for their year group in their first year at Flakefleet.

From Year 1 to Year 6

Why we give Homework:

It helps reinforce work we do in school and lets you see the type of work your child is doing.

It teaches children to be independent learners.

It teaches children to take responsibility for their learning.

It encourages them to be creative and find things out for themselves.

Regular Key Skills to Practise at Home

Reading is the most important activity that your child can do at home.

The more a child reads, the wider their knowledge and understanding of words and texts

This then leads to much improved writing and more confidence when speaking.

Spelling is also important to make their writing make sense and flow.

Counting and Multiplication are two basic skills. The earlier they can count and know their Times Tables, the more confident they will be in Mathematics.

Completing Homework - Policy

Each child will be given homework activities on a regular basis.

Rewards will be given to children who complete their homework to the best of their ability.

Children will be given the opportunity to **voluntarily** complete homework at break times in school.

No child will lose privileges (playtime or lunchtime) for incomplete homework. (unless it is at the request of a parent)

Ofsted Inspection - Three more comments this week from the Inspectors:

Flakefleet children: **Believe in themselves.**

Are polite and well mannered

Share their ideas and take the lead in some lessons



Learner Of The Week

14/09/18

Dis 1-

Dis 2-

1TC- Betsie

1SA- Ava

2DW- Logan

2JP- Alfie



3CB- Blake

3LE- Junior

4GS- Chloe

4SR- Logan

5MJ- Holly

5WS- Samuel

6JC- Laini

6HW- Liam