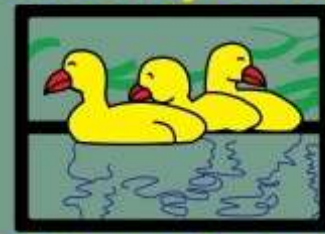


Fleckney CE Newsletter



Headteacher Update

As we reach the end of another fantastic year at Fleckney Primary School, it's the perfect opportunity to look back on everything we've achieved together. It's hard to believe how much we've packed into this short summer term!

The school has been buzzing with excitement, laughter and community spirit. It's been wonderful to welcome so many families into school for all the events that have taken place. From our brilliant Sports Days (complete with a record-breaking seven tumbles in the parent races – we might need to introduce a warm-up next year!), to the wonderful Year 2 Canon Glover assembly, our Foundation Stage Bible and Medal Celebration, the fantastic Year 6 production of Hoodwinked, and our parent drop-in sessions, there's certainly never been a dull moment.

Last week, the children enjoyed meeting their new teachers during our transition mornings, and it was lovely to see so much excitement about the year ahead.

One of the highlights of the term was seeing our Year 2 children head off on their very first residential visit to Beaudesert. They had an incredible time, embraced every challenge with enthusiasm, and represented the school brilliantly. A huge thank you goes to the staff who gave up their own time to make the trip possible.

As always, the end of the school year brings mixed emotions as we prepare to say goodbye to our amazing Year 6 pupils. They have been fantastic ambassadors for Fleckney Primary School, and we couldn't be prouder of the young people they've become. We wish each and every one of them the very best as they begin their next adventure at secondary school.

This summer we also say farewell to Mr Dandolo. Although he has only been with us for a short time, he has made a tremendous contribution to school life and quickly became a valued member of the Fleckney team. His enthusiasm, kindness and commitment have had a real impact on the children, particularly those in his class, who have flourished under his care and guidance. We thank him for everything he has done and wish him every success and happiness in the future.

Looking back, it really has been a brilliant year for our whole school community—and a particularly special one for me as my first full year as Headteacher of this wonderful school. I feel incredibly proud to be part of such a supportive, caring and vibrant community.

Thank you for your continued encouragement, partnership and the trust you place in us every day. Have a wonderful, restful summer break. We hope you enjoy making lots of happy memories with your families, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back in the new school year, refreshed and ready for another exciting chapter.

With very best wishes,

Mr Richards
Headteacher
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Summer 2 Edition



Fleckney Primary Sports News



Year 5 Football Team Crowned Tournament Champions

On Friday 22nd May, the Year Five football team took part in a tournament at Market Harborough Football Club. The team delivered an outstanding performance, proudly winning the tournament in style. They showed fantastic skill, teamwork and determination throughout, remaining unbeaten across all of their matches. They began the competition strongly with a convincing 5-0 win, followed by a solid 3-0 victory. A hard-fought 0-0 draw demonstrated their resilience in defence, before they returned to winning ways with a 2-0 success and another impressive 5-0 result. Carrying this excellent form forward, the team faced Church Langton in the semi-final. They produced one of their best performances of the day, securing a dominant 5-0 win to progress confidently to the final. In the final, they came up against a confident Great Glen side. In a closely contested match, our team showed great composure and determination to come out on top with a well-earned 2-1 victory, securing the title. This was a brilliant team effort from start to finish. The players demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, commitment and enthusiasm throughout the tournament. They should all feel incredibly proud of their achievement. Well done, Year 5!



Our EYFS and KS1 Sports Day was a fantastic success, with the children demonstrating great enthusiasm, determination and teamwork throughout the event. Pupils had the opportunity to take part in a wide range of both traditional races, such as running and relay events, and non-traditional activities that tested their balance and coordination. The children thoroughly enjoyed taking part, cheering each other on and celebrating one another's achievements. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces, excellent sportsmanship and everyone giving their best effort!

Key Stage Two sports day took place on the afternoon of Thursday 18th June. The weather was warm and sunny but not too hot. The first event was the sprint races, which gave us some very close competition. It was particularly good to see so many children choose to compete in the long-distance race, showing perseverance and resilience as they pushed themselves to the finish line. The obstacle races were a lot of fun and made the results harder to predict. The house team relay provided a thrilling conclusion to the day, with pupils cheering passionately for their teams and giving their very best effort. Every child should be proud of the way they challenged themselves and embraced the spirit of the event. The fun did not stop with the children, as the parents' races proved to be highly competitive and provided plenty of entertainment for spectators. A great afternoon was enjoyed by all, celebrating effort, teamwork and sporting achievement.

The Area Sports athletics competition is one of the highlights of our sporting year. This year, it took place on Monday 15th June at Corby Athletics Stadium. Primary schools from across South Leicestershire brought their fastest runners, furthest throwers and longest jumpers to compete against each other. As always, there were hundreds of children filling the stands and cheering on their school, creating an amazing atmosphere. The event opened with the sprint races, followed by the throwing and long jump events. We had some great top finishers, which meant they progressed from the heats to the finals. We also had some super results in the field events. The relays were particularly spectacular as it was clear to see Fleckney surge ahead of the others. It was great to see the children supporting the team and demonstrating such a positive attitude. Overall, it was a marvellous event and we are very pleased to say that we finished third this year. This is one place higher than last year, which means, to the best of our knowledge, it is the highest place finish we have ever had. Well done to all of the children who took part and thank you to all of the families and staff who made this event possible.



Year 6 Vs Staff Football Match

On Friday 3rd July we held our annual Staff vs Year 6 students, football match. Out of the 4 games played and can confirm that the staff team won 3 games and the Year 6 students won 1.

Well done to all involved.



Sports Personalities of the Year

Both of this year's Sports Personality of the year have demonstrated a really positive attitude towards sports and physical activity throughout their time at our school.

Bella M has made an outstanding contribution to school sport during her time at Fleckney Primary school. She is a talented and enthusiastic all-round sports person who has taken part in a wide range of activities, with football being a particular strength. Her dedication, determination and resilience have been evident through her commitment to training and competition. As a Sports Ambassador, she has also been an excellent role model, inspiring younger pupils to be active and enjoy sport.

Henry C has shown outstanding dedication, skill and sportsmanship throughout his time at our school. A talented sportsman, Sporting Ambassador and excellent role model, he has represented the school on many occasions, always demonstrating determination, teamwork and a positive attitude. His enthusiasm and encouragement of others make him a valued member of every team and an inspiration to younger pupils.

We are incredibly proud of both for their achievements and wish them every success as they move on to secondary school.





Dojo Winners



We were delighted to recently celebrate our Summer 2 Dojo Winners. This term's presentation was particularly special, as alongside some familiar faces who consistently demonstrate our school values, we were thrilled to see a number of new winners receiving recognition for their efforts and achievements.

The golden tickets reflect what has been an excellent half term across the school. All of the children have achieved so much individually, whether through their learning, personal development, resilience or contributions to school life. During the presentation, the winners were asked what they had done that made them proud this half term. Their responses highlighted the wide range of successes we celebrate at Fleckney. Answers included overcoming worries about heights during the Beaudesert residential, improving the neatness and presentation of their writing, and creating poems they were particularly proud of.

These reflections remind us that success looks different for every child. Sometimes it is about achieving highly, and sometimes it is about showing courage, perseverance and determination to overcome a personal challenge.

We are incredibly proud of all our Dojo Winners and of every child in our school community. They continue to impress us each day through their hard work, positive attitudes and commitment to living out our school values. Well done to everyone for a fantastic Summer 2 half term.



Kindness Cup Winner



We are absolutely delighted to celebrate Caleb as our Kindness Award winner. Caleb truly oozes kindness in everything he does within the classroom and beyond. His manners are impeccable—he consistently shows respect, politeness, and thoughtfulness in every interaction (adults and peers). Caleb takes the time to check in with adults, always asking how they are with genuine warmth, and he shows the same care and consideration towards his classmates. His bright, kind smile has a wonderful way of lifting the mood and bringing positivity to those around him. Caleb is deeply empathetic, always ready to listen, support, and include others, making everyone feel valued and important. Alongside this, his fantastic sense of humour brings joy and laughter to our class each day. Caleb is a shining example of what it means to be kind, and we are incredibly proud of him—he truly makes our classroom a better place.



Each year, we present our Children's Champion Award – a very special award chosen by the children themselves. This is only the second year we have given this award, and it is already becoming a wonderful tradition in our school.

When voting, we ask children to think carefully about who truly represents our values and vision. This award is not about choosing your best friend; it is about recognising someone who consistently shows kindness, generosity, respect, inclusion, and care for others every day.

This year, many children were recognised by their peers. The following children all received two or more votes: Lois W, India J, Auston F, Neda T, Harry L, Alexa S, Oscar R, Louis F, Katie P, Arush A, Eden K, Zara P, Jack J and Lily-Rose W. Well done to all of you for making such a positive difference to our school community.

The winner received an incredible 8 votes from their classmates. Some of the reasons children gave included:

- "Includes everyone and is extremely caring and just gets on."
- "Makes me feel included every day."
- "Always helps when I am stuck."
- "Warm-hearted."
- "Makes me happy every day."
- "Listens and is respectful."
- "Never seeks attention and is always inclusive."

These comments perfectly capture what it means to be a Children's Champion.

I am delighted to announce that the Children's Champion Award for 2026 goes to... Archie B 6SK Archie, thank you for the kindness, care and inclusion you show every day. You are a wonderful role model for our school community. Congratulations!

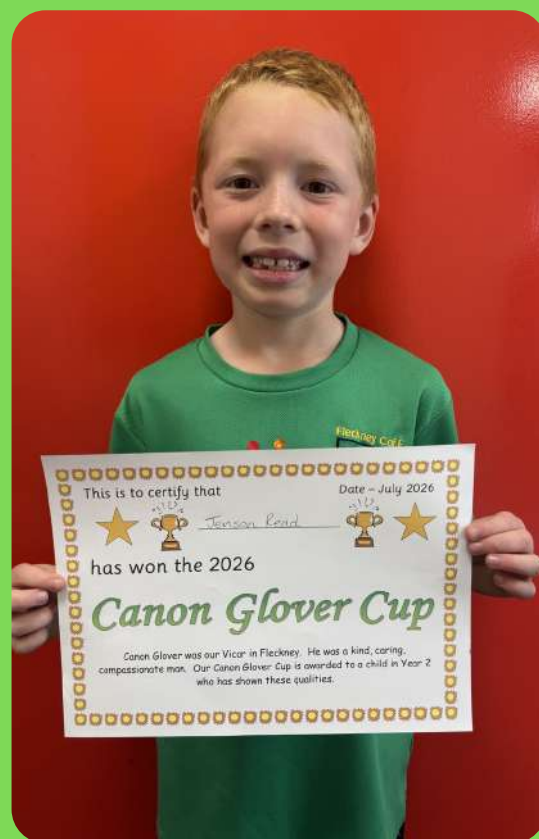


Canon Glover Cup Winner



At the end of every school year in KS1 we award a very special trophy. The Canon Glover Cup is awarded each year to a child in Year 2 who has demonstrated certain character traits throughout the year. Canon Glover was the vicar in Fleckney for many years. He was a kind, caring and compassionate person whose legacy lives on within our wonderful school.

The recipient of this award truly embodies all of the character traits that made Canon Glover such a special person. Jenson comes into school every morning with a positive attitude and a cheerful smile. He tackles work with determination and perseverance, always wanting to do his absolute best. Jenson is a conscientious, hard-working and diligent learner who thrives with challenges. As well as being a fantastic role model in the classroom during learning, he is also an incredibly caring and empathetic friend. He is popular amongst his peers and treats everyone with kindness. Jenson is also a passionate sportsman who enjoys telling us about his football achievements outside of school.



David Harvey Award Winner 2026

The David Harvey Award is given in recognition of someone who has truly stood out this year through their attitude to learning and their exceptional effort in school.

The person who has won this award demonstrates outstanding dedication, growth and character. Through consistent hard work and a highly conscientious approach, they have shown a commitment to self-improvement that sets them apart. Always striving to do their very best, they have made remarkable progress in both their academic and personal development, reflecting their strong determination and resilience.

What makes this individual particularly special is their love of learning. They consistently go above and beyond in their efforts, showing a real desire to challenge themselves - whether that be through expanding their vocabulary, producing high-quality writing, or maintaining an impeccable record of home learning throughout the entire year.

Beyond the classroom, this person embraces every opportunity available to them. They have represented the school with pride, taking part in events such as a maths challenge, and have shown leadership and responsibility in their role as a school council representative. They approach everything they do with maturity, enthusiasm and a strong sense of responsibility.

Equally important are the values they bring to their relationships with others. This individual is positive, charismatic and highly regarded by their peers. They build strong, respectful relationships and show kindness and encouragement to those around them.

With their determination, positive attitude and outstanding character, there is no doubt that this person has a bright and successful future ahead. It has been a pleasure to have them as part of year 6.

The winner of the David Harvey Award for 2026 is... Lois W 6SC.

well
done!

Richard Darke Award Winner 2026

The recipient of this year's Richard Darke Award is a wonderful example of all our school's Christian values. This person arrives at school each day with a smile, ready to learn, and approaches everything with a quiet determination and positivity. They are polite, respectful, and consistently show kindness to everyone around them.

This individual is a conscientious and dedicated learner who always gives their very best. They work hard across all areas of the curriculum and have made impressive progress throughout Year 6. They constantly push themselves to be the best they can be, and often finish their work and asks for extra tasks, whilst still being diligent throughout their working. Their enthusiasm for learning shines through in their thoughtful contributions to class discussions and their determination to keep improving.

Beyond the classroom, this person has represented the school with pride as a Wellbeing Ambassador, demonstrating genuine care and compassion for others. They have also shown great commitment by challenging themselves to learn a new language at home - an example of resilience and a real love of learning.

Above all, this pupil has been an all-round star who has made Fleckney Primary School a better place, one kind act at a time. They truly live out our values and have let their light shine for all to see. Their kindness, respect and determination does not go unnoticed, and we are very proud to have had them as a member of Year 6.

The winner of the Richard Darke Award 2026 is... Alexa S 6SC.

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Celebrating Excellent Attendance



Attendance League Tables

Overall

1st	96% - Year 3
2nd	95.5% - Year 4
3rd	95.4% - Year 2
4th	95.1% - Year 1
5th	95% - Year 5
6th	94.3% - Year FS
7th	94.1% - Year 6

(national is 94.8%)

Persistent Absence

1st	Year 2 - 5.5%
2nd	Year 4 - 7.6%
3rd	Year 5 - 9%
4th	Year 3 - 10.1%
5th	Year 1 - 10.6%
6th	Year 6 - 14.7%
7th	Year FS - 16.4%

(% of children less than 90% attendance, national is 15.2%)

Foundation Stage



We have had a busy term in Foundation Stage welcoming our new starters to the play afternoons, playing with them and showing our special visitors how we use kind hands and be respectful towards others.

For Victorian Week we learnt Victorian Nursery Rhymes and performed to the school. We had a Victorian dress up day. It was lovely to see all the children in Victorian Dress, as street urchins, house maids, a fine gentleman, chimney sweeps and the teachers were very strict Victorian teachers!

Our Teddy Bears Picnic was a great morning! We had juice and biscuits with our teddies and had fun exploring Father Philip's garden. We went on the swing, kicking the balls and climbing trees.



Year 1

The Year 1 children really enjoyed the opportunity to dress up for our History Day. We had Neil Armstrong, David Attenborough and Florence Nightingale to name but a few!

Sports Day was such fun with the weather being kind to us and the children taking part in lots of races. We were very proud of how well the children took part and their amazing team spirit, cheering their friends on.

We have been exploring Kenya as part of our Geography topic. We have learnt how to use an atlas and explored features and keys on a map. The children have found out about the different animals that are in Africa, the climate and similarities and differences between Kenya and our country. We also enjoyed sharing stories from Kenya, including Mama Panya and The Maasai and I.



Year 2

At the beginning of June, the year 2 children went on their first residential trip. This was a big step for many children, being their first overnight trip away from their families, sharing a room with their friends. The children had the most wonderful time at Beaudesert. They enjoyed taking part in a variety of different activities including the quarry zip wire, traverse wall, archery, grass sledging, monkey trees and crate stacking. The children tackled each activity with determination, positivity and resilience. As well as all of the activities, the children enjoyed free time playing in the beautiful grounds and spotting wildlife such as frogs and squirrels. Our first day ended with a campfire, songs and a hot chocolate and biscuit. The children enjoyed tucking into the delicious food including pancakes, meatballs and chocolate cake. We are so proud of how well all of the children represented our school.



Year 3

It's been a busy five weeks in Year 3! We have survived both the rain and the heat to accomplish quite a lot, and we are very proud of everything the children have achieved.

One of the highlights was our trip to the Botanical Gardens. Although it was somewhat soggy, it was a fantastic experience. The children gained a valuable insight into the diverse plant life growing in different biomes across our planet, and their enthusiasm and curiosity really shone through.

Another memorable moment was History Day. Our Tudor children absolutely wowed the whole school with their performance of SIX – it really was a showstopper and a joy to watch! The effort, confidence and teamwork displayed by the year group was incredible. In English, we have been studying Matilda. We explored character studies of the key figures in the story and used drama to deepen our understanding, particularly when bringing the terrifying Miss Trunchbull to life! The children fully embraced the activities and showed great creativity and insight.

It has been a fantastic year teaching your children. They are a truly wonderful group, and it has been an honour to be part of their learning journey. The good news is that we get to do it all again next year as we move on to the Year 4 curriculum!

Thank you for your continued support.



Year 4



Year four have been busy in English, studying the short animated film 'Broken: Rock, Paper, Scissors' which followed a similar storyline to the game. The children wrote their own narratives from the point of view of either Scissors, who is out to get Paper, or Paper who with Rock's help is out to stop him. The children produced creative and imaginative writing, describing the setting, character and actions. There were many examples of really good fronted adverbials and dialogue which helped to advance the action.

We have now completed our maths geometry and shape units. The children learned to draw acute and obtuse angles, identify equilateral, isosceles and scalene triangles and plot coordinates in the first quadrant. In addition to this, the children have practised converting from twelve to twenty four hour clock and interpreted line and bar charts in statistics.

In Geography, we have found out about the features of the globe. The children have identified the equator, the two hemispheres, the tropics of Cancer and Capricorn as well as lines of latitude and longitude. They have also looked more closely at the environmental features found in some of these places.

Our computing unit this half term was animation. The children created a short animation by creating a series of images which change slightly with each frame. They also used the 'onion skinning' feature, which generates a shadow of the previous frame's image on the current frame. There were some really interesting results. Well done.

We had a great day dressing up as Romans on History Day. There were some marvelous costumes, demonstrating great creativity. The children enjoyed making and decorating their shields. They then went on to try some of the Roman shield formations, such as 'the tortoise'.

Year 5

What a wonderful term it has been and such a lovely way to end the school year. We have truly enjoyed every moment working with the Year 5 children and feel very proud of how much they have grown, both in their learning and as individuals. It has been a year filled with effort, laughter, and lots of memorable moments.

In English, the children have been busy writing imaginative stories inspired by Harry Potter. They have explored how to bring characters to life through thoughtful language and have worked hard to express emotions clearly in their writing. We have been so impressed by the creativity they have shown, there may even be a few future authors in our classes.

In Maths, we have tackled a range of topics including angles, perimeter, area, and converting measurements. The children have approached these challenges with enthusiasm and determination, and have shown that Maths can be both rewarding and, at times, surprisingly enjoyable.

Our history learning has taken us back to World War II, where the children learned about life in Britain during this important period and the significance of the Battle of Britain. A highlight was our trip to the Imperial War Museum at Duxford. The children loved exploring the artefacts and exhibits, and seeing the enormous aircraft up close certainly made an impression. It gave them a real sense of what life was like during the war. History Week was also a huge success, with fantastic costumes, brilliant marching, and some very enthusiastic performances. We are quite sure a few future performers were discovered along the way.

In art, the children explored perspective and illusion, creating detailed landscape pieces. Their work was full of colour and imagination, and it was wonderful to see their confidence grow as they experimented with new techniques.

The children have also really enjoyed learning Spanish this term and have embraced it with great enthusiasm. It has been lovely to hear them practicing new words and phrases with confidence.

In science, we have been learning about plants and animals, focusing on how they grow and develop. The children have shown great curiosity and have asked thoughtful questions throughout.

As a Year 5 team, we would like to say how proud we are of the children. They have been kind, hardworking, and a real pleasure to teach. They have supported one another, risen to challenges, and filled our classrooms with positivity.

We wish them all the very best as they move on to Year 6. We know they will continue to grow, succeed, and make us proud.

With warm wishes,
Year 5 Team



Year 6

Once again it was another very busy half term in year 6. Our main focus was on rehearsing our production of 'Hoodwinked' in preparation for our two performances to the rest of the school and our two performances to family members. The children showed incredible dedication to practising their singing, dancing and acting and were keen to do their best. We're sure you'll agree they did a fantastic job!

In amongst all the rehearsing, the children wrote setting descriptions of Pandora (Avatar), Gotham City (Batman), Hogwarts (Harry Potter) or Wonderland (Alice in Wonderland). They used adventurous adjectives, fantastic metaphors and great similes to describe what could be seen, heard and felt in these settings.

We have also managed to complete a science unit of work all about evolution and inheritance.

The children had lots of fun making creatures out of plasticine based on the inherited characteristics. They also thoroughly enjoyed investigating how birds' beaks are well adapted to eat certain seeds using sweets and chocolate!

During 'History Week', Year 6 explored the fascinating story of the Great Wall of China. They enthusiastically took part in practical activities, including building model walls and even designing catapults to test their strength - learning through creativity and teamwork. As we come to the end of the year, we would like to say how incredibly proud we are of all our Year 6 pupils. They have shown maturity, resilience and enthusiasm throughout, particularly during their transition events as they prepare for the next stage of their education. It has been a privilege to teach them this year, and we wish each and every one of them the very best as they move on to their chosen secondary schools. They should be extremely proud of all they have achieved - we certainly are!



Clubs

Please look out for new after school clubs to start in the Autumn term.

R Hughes Fundraising

Our incredible TA Mrs Hughes is competing in the Great North Run 2026, on 13th September 2026. Ruth is a valued member of our team and is fundraising for the National Autistic Society. If you would like to support her please head over to her just giving page - www.justgiving.com/page/ruth-hughes-17

We wish Mrs Hughes the best of luck with her run.



Diary Dates and Term Dates

Summer Term 2026

7th July Early close at 1.30pm

Autumn Term 2026

School Opens:

Monday 24th August

August Bank Holiday:

Monday 31st August

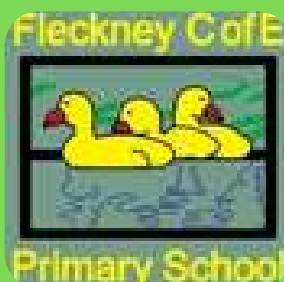
Mid Term Break:

**Monday 19th - Friday 23rd
October**

Last Day of Autumn Term 2026

**Friday 18th December - Early
close at 1.30pm**

24th August - School Opens
5th October - 9th October Year 6 PGL Residential
13th October - Individual School photos
15th October - Sibling School Photos



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