

## FLOURISHING FLOREAT!

Thank you to our whole community for a wonderful half term! The pupils have been making new friends and settling into our routines after a long summer break. Some of the highlights of the term also include...

- Our **Nursery** and **Reception pupils** have become increasingly confident and independent - well done everyone!
- The **FOFW Fun Day** was a huge success and brought our whole community together.
- The pupils in Year 6 did a super job in their **Year 6 Wandsworth Test** - their attitude was so positive with a focus on 'being the best that they can be'.
- **Music** has been a key feature of the school - glockenspiels, violins, violas, drumming and lots & lots of singing!
- We welcomed our families back into the hall again for **Coffee Mornings** and **Family Learning** - it has been great to see families and staff being able to meet face to face!
- The leaders have observed **curious** and **confident learners** all over the school - this is a very important part of our educational offer.
- Our weekly **Assemblies** are back! We have had lots of important discussions, presentations and debates...
  - What is a **role model** and who is your role model?
  - The importance of a great **first impression**, **eye contact** and a **confident voice**.
  - We have focused on **Black History Month** and celebrated work across the school.
  - Which **Character Virtue** have you displayed this week and how? Who from your class deserves a certificate?

### Reminders:

- We would also like to **thank our whole community for staying as safe as possible**. Jon Chaloner (CEO for GLF Schools) has written to all parents about Covid19 safety measures and you can find his letter attached to the email dated 22.10.21.
- Please could parents kindly **check uniforms** over the half term break to ensure they return any misplaced items. You can also check **Lost Property** in the School Office for any items your child may have lost this half term.
- We hope that all children have a lovely half term break and we will see you again on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November!**



## OUR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

This year (2021-22) we will be focusing on the following:

- ❖ There will be a particular focus on **Reading & Writing** and ensuring all pupils reach their personal best outcomes. All teachers will provide motivating and challenging activities in the classroom to help achieve this goal.
- ❖ The whole team will ensure the **wider curriculum** is embedded to meet the needs of all pupils. Wider curriculum subjects include **Character, Music, Science, Computing** and many more (see the box below).
- ❖ Established reading, writing and mathematical skills will be evidenced within wider curriculum subjects such as **Geography** and **History**.
- ❖ The return of a full programme of **community events** including Family Learning, PTA Fairs and School Concerts.

## TEACHER & PARENT MEETINGS

The Office Team will send out booking information straight after half term for the meetings on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>** and **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November**.

Meeting times will range from **4pm to 7pm**.

As it stands, we are planning to host the meetings in school so that parents get to look through the books and meet with the teacher face to face. If you need to talk to the teacher, please do not wait until the official meetings - **request a call back or talk to them on the playground!**



## 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

## WORKING TOGETHER

At this school we always work together to ensure our pupils are happy and safe. We also work together to ensure families have a voice so their concerns, views and opinions are heard.

In the first instance you can always approach the **Headteacher** (Mr Custance) about any concern or question you may have. Mr Custance will then offer advice and support or he will guide you to the right person for the appropriate advice and support.

You can also raise concerns, views and opinions using the following process:

**STEP 1:** We always attempt to resolve any issues or concerns at classroom level first. Our **class teachers** are always ready to help.

**STEP 2:** If Step 1 is not successful then you can request to meet one of the **Leaders** (either be one of the Key Stage Leaders or one of the Assistant Headteachers).

**STEP 3:** On the very rare occasion that Steps 1 & 2 do not bring a satisfactory conclusion to the issue then a request can be made to meet with Mr Custance (**Headteacher**).

You can also give us **feedback** through our feedback forms which can be found using the following link:

**[CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE A FEEDBACK FORM!](#)**

## Brand new tennis academy with Lucas Browne at Floreat Wandsworth

Run by Lucas Browne, a professional LTA accredited tennis coach with 25 years experience of working with grass root players up to county and national level.

### Mondays - £60

- 3.30 – 4.45 Reception/Yr1
- 4.45 – 5.45 Yr2/3/4

6 weeks starting 8<sup>th</sup> Nov – 13<sup>th</sup> Dec  
(no session 1<sup>st</sup> November due to Inset Day)

### Thursdays - £70

- 3.30 – 4.45 Reception/Yr1
- 4.45 – 5.45 Yr2/3/4

7 weeks starting 4<sup>th</sup> Nov – 16<sup>th</sup> Dec

Contact Lucas: [lucasbrowne@yahoo.com](mailto:lucasbrowne@yahoo.com) / 07958 333479 to book or for more information

"I believe in teaching fun filled lessons that also combine solid foundations in technique and movement that can develop players to compete and enjoy tennis for a lifetime."



# Scorpion Kickboxing



Floreat Wandsworth

Every Thursday,  
5:15pm - 6:15pm

Pay As You Train,  
£7 Per Session  
(£5 For Students  
Of Floreat)

Open To All Ages  
And Abilities

Both Children  
And Adults Are  
Welcome

(Looking At You  
Parents and carers!)

Email:  
[scorpion-kickboxing@outlook.com](mailto:scorpion-kickboxing@outlook.com)

Telephone:  
07871725911

Train alongside:

2x BIKMA  
Junior World  
Kickboxing Champion

WKO Junior World  
Kickboxing Champion

2x MAASIF British  
Kickboxing Champion

2x MAASIF British  
Boxing Champion



## Instructors:



Jane Hearn  
(3rd Dan Black  
Belt)



Daniel Hearn  
(3rd Dan Black  
Belt)

- Build Confidence
- Develop Better Self Discipline
- Improve Fitness
- Improve Social Skills
- Reduce Stress
- Enjoy Yourself

## 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 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.



DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEAD:  
MR CUSTANCE (HEADTEACHER)



MRS DAVIES



MRS MARSDEN



MRS FRY

- 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 Partnership \(wscp.org.uk\)](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/safeguarding)

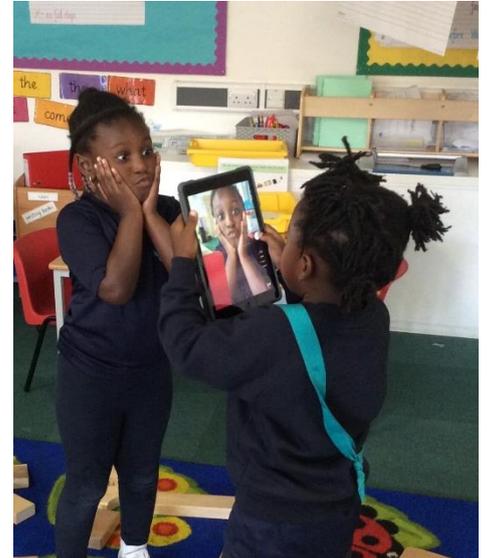
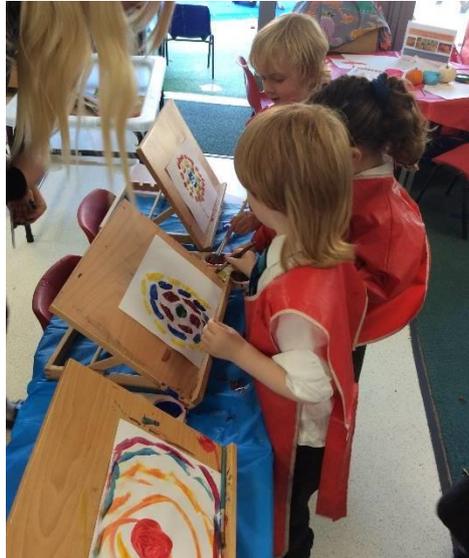


## NURSERY



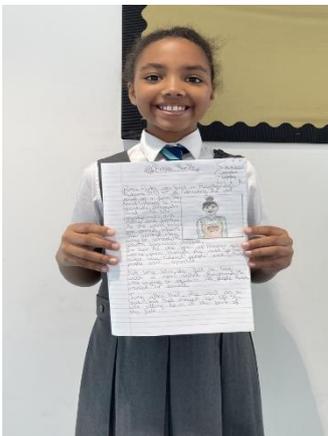
The top two pictures are of Nursery pupils finding ladybirds in the playground. We had a great discussion about how we look after small creatures. The third picture is 'Can you guess the eyes?' Our friends had to look at the eyes and try to match them to the correct person. This was a great way to make sure we could all remember each other's names! The last picture on the right is of the pupils exploring colour. We can now name our primary colours and we had fun exploring what happens when we mix them together.

## RECEPTION



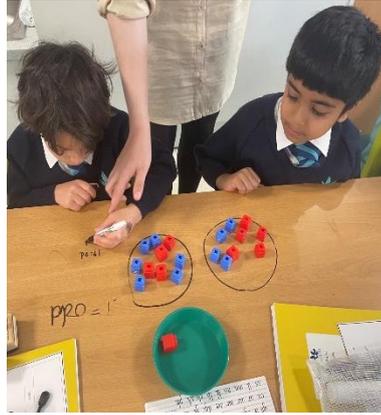
This week we have been learning about the artist Alma Woodsey Thomas. We have enjoyed painting our own pictures in the style of her famous art work 'The Eclipse'. During choosing time, we have been exploring technology by using the iPads to take photographs.

## YEAR 5



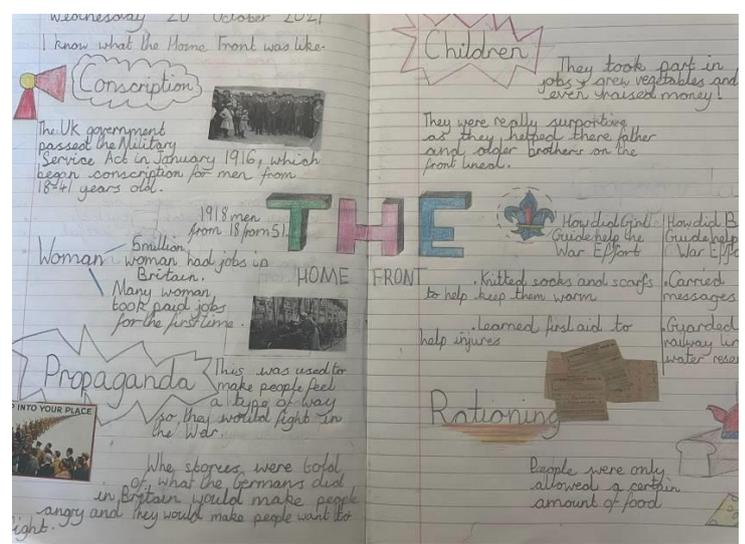
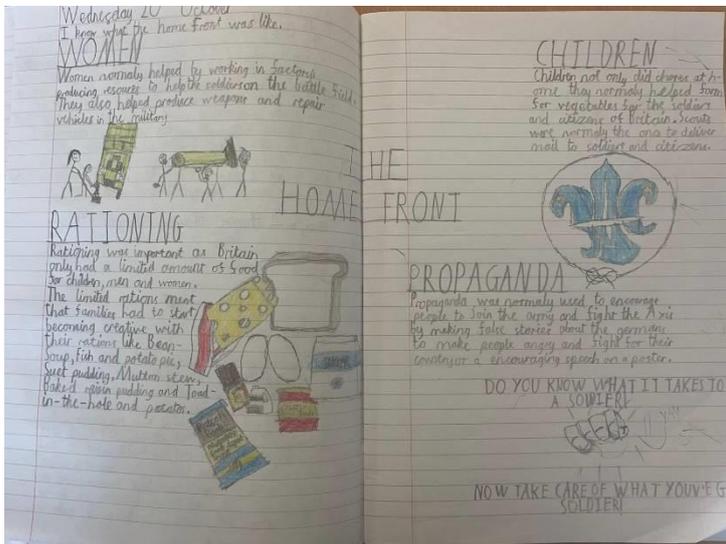
To mark Black History Month, the children learnt about the extraordinary life of Rosa Parks, and used this information to create a detailed biography about her. The writing demonstrated that it won't be long until some pen licenses will be awarded in Year 5 (photos above left & middle)! In RE, Year 5 have been studying Sikhism. They acted out the story of why Sikhs celebrate Vaisakhi, owing to Guru Gobind Singh's forming of the Khalsa during the harvest festival of Vaisakhi in 1699 (photo above right).

## YEAR 2



Year 2 have been learning about odd and even numbers in Maths and towards the end of the week, they learned to find the difference between numbers. We have explored these concepts with concrete resources and had so much fun! We decided to showcase some of the learning from Black History Month in the Year 2 corridor. Here is a snapshot of part of our corridor, which consists of posters that the children made about Rosa Parks.

## YEAR 6



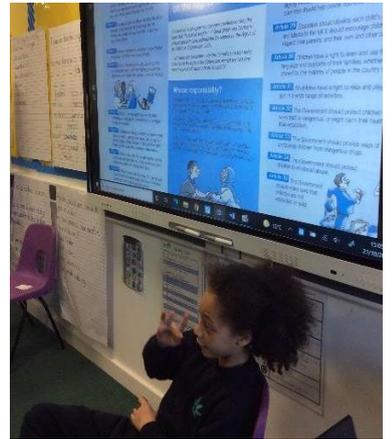
Year 6 have been learning all about life on the Home Front during World War One. They created fabulous double page spreads to present their information. They have also been recreating Leonardo da Vinci's anatomical drawings in Art (see the front page!).

## YEAR 3



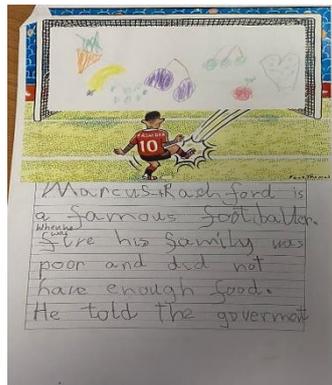
For Black History Month, we have been researching historical figures, such as Barack Obama and Mary Seacole, and learning about their lives. In Science, we conducted an experiment using teacakes and paper straws to see how the skeletal system works to protect our organs! In Computing, we used the new school laptops to research different topics, including capital cities and heads of state.

## YEAR 4



Year 4 explored the concept of teamwork and are passing the high five in the above left photo - with each try we explored how to improve passing the five around the circle. In the middle photo, a pupil is explaining what 'rights' are by exploring Emmeline Pankhurst and the rights of women and men. We also explored how unfair treatment was finally noticed for children and women. In the above right photo, a pupil is explaining what democracy is to the children, while focusing on the UN and children's rights. Each time we discussed why children have rights and responsibilities.

## YEAR 1



In Year 1 we have been doing some fantastic learning that has inspired some brilliant work, from instruction writing to Black History Month home learning to Van Gogh style paintings!

## YEAR 5 & YEAR 6 FLOREAT FOOTBALL STARS!



On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October, Floreat Wandsworth had the first sports fixture of the year with the combined Year 5 & 6 Football Teams having matches against local schools. The fixtures were competitive, enjoyable and inclusive! The teams represented the school brilliantly and were superb role models! Well done everyone!