



OLD FLETTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Weekly Update - Monday 6th October 2025

As we move into the second half of this half term, only 3 more weeks to go, the Fletton spirit remains strong and our CARE values continue to shine through everything we do – from celebrations and announcements to daily routines and future plans.

C – Celebrate Success

We're thrilled to announce that our recent Autumn Fayre raised a fantastic £705. A huge thank you to the OFCG for their creativity, energy and organisation – and to every family who donated, helped out or came along to support. Events like this make a real difference to our school and we're grateful for the community spirit you bring.

This week, Year 5 blasted off to the Leicester Space Centre and had a brilliant day exploring space science, planets and rockets – an exciting and inspiring experience to enhance their learning.

We also had successful flu vaccinations across school. Thank you to all parents for supporting this important part of our health and wellbeing programme.

We're also celebrating the appointment of two new teaching assistants, joining us after half term – a big Fletton welcome to both!

A – Aim High

A Personal Message from Me

After what will be just over 17 wonderful years as Headteacher at Old Fletton, I have made the decision to retire at the end of this academic year.

It has been the privilege and highlight of my career to lead this very special school. When I first stepped through the doors, Old Fletton was a very different place – just 249 pupils, and both OFSTED and the Local Authority expressing serious concerns. From the outset, my ambition was to ensure Old Fletton became a place where children, families and staff could truly thrive.

I am so proud of how, together, we have transformed our school into a thriving, successful community. We are now almost full with 420 pupils, consistently recognised as Good, and this week even received a letter from the Local Authority commending our outcomes. This has been a shared achievement – built on the dedication, commitment and trust of staff, parents and carers working hand in hand.

I am especially grateful for the trust you have shown me, the support you have given the school and the many ways you have helped make our community so strong. Watching so many children grow, learn and flourish has been a privilege beyond words. I have lived my childhood dream of being a teacher and have never regretted it; well perhaps occasionally for a brief moment!

Although it feels like the right time to step aside, I know that Old Fletton will continue to go from strength to strength. Please rest assured it is very much business as usual until July – my ambition for our children, staff and community remains as strong as ever, with exciting learning ahead and, of course, an OFSTED inspection to prepare for.

Thank you so very much for allowing me the honour and joy of being part of your children's journeys

R – Respect People, Property and the Environment

We'd like to gently remind our Year 1 families to leave a little more space when lining up to collect children at the end of the day. Our site is small and charming – but can easily get crowded! Giving each other space helps everyone get in and out safely and calmly. Thank you for your understanding.

We're also grateful for your support in upholding our school rules around toys, jewellery and uniform:

- No toys please – they often lead to distraction, frustrations or get lost.
- Stud earrings only – no other jewellery for safety and practical reasons.
- Crocs are not school shoes – Children's feet are still developing and need appropriate support.

These expectations help us keep learning focused.

E – Embrace a Challenge

We know that Marvellous Me continues to cause challenges for some families. While we'll continue to use it for messages, we will not be sending attachments due to ongoing technical issues. Until we transition to our new communication system in January, we will continue to send paper copies of key documents. We're trying our best – and appreciate your patience as we work towards a better solution. Thanks to parental feedback, if we are unsure if an urgent message has been received, through a thumbs up reply we will call to confirm.

Don't forget: our staff are on the gates every morning and afternoon. If you have questions, concerns, or even a suggestion – it is always better to talk, we are here to listen and help.

Thank you for continuing to support us as we head into the final three weeks of this half term – full of learning, growing and hopefully remaining dry!

Diary Dates

Reception Me and My World

Wednesday 8th October

Individual Photographs

Friday 10th October

Year 1 Phonics & Reading

Meeting

Thursday 16th October 3:30pm or 5pm

Nursery Stay & Play

Thursday 23rd October

Half Term

Friday 24th - Friday 31st October

(Friday 24th is a training day so no children in school)

Anti-bullying Week

Monday 10th - Friday 14th November

Children in Need

Friday 21st November

Y6 Harry Potter Trip

Friday 28th November

Attendance

(29th Sept - 3rd Oct)

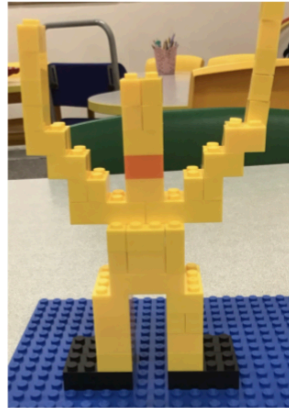
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RML	96.1%	4RP	97.8%
1NG	93.7%	4SF	96.6%
1CF	96.9%	5SM	97.6%
2JR	97.6%	5BT	98.7%
2AM	97.6%	6SS	97.9%
3JM	97.2%	6UB	97.4%

Kids with Bricks
Wk beginning 29th September

This week in our Lego club we were challenged to build the Colossus.

The winner of this weeks challenge is:

Jayson



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GIRLS FOOTBALL

@ Manor Drive, Porter Avenue (PE4 7EP) on the 3G Astro



EVERY Monday (starting 22nd Sept)
£5 per session (first 2 sessions FREE)
Split into 2 Age Groups for all abilities:
5.00-5.45pm: U6/KS1 (EYFS-Yr2) Girls
6.45-7.30pm: KS2 (Yr3-6) and KS3 (Yr7-10) Girls

Delivered by current Borough Women's player Jess

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UNDER 6S

YEAR 1'S

BOYS FOOTBALL SESSIONS

*PATHWAY INTO OUR YDP U15 FOOTBALL ACADEMY



TURN UP & PLAY

EVERY MONDAY! 5-6PM

@ MANOR DRIVE, PORTER AVENUE (PE4 7EP) ON THE 3G ASTRO
£5 PER SESSION. PLEASE WEAR FOOTBALL BOOTS.

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Marvellous trouble-shooting for parents:

1. Check for app updates - make sure you are using the latest version of the Marvellous Me app.
2. Clear app data and cache - go to your device's Settings > Apps & notifications (or just Apps on some devices), find the Marvellous Me app, select it and close Storage, clear the app's cache and data
3. Restart your device - this often helps apply the changes fully
4. Try logging in again.
5. A workaround would be to use your device's browser and access the parent portal at <https://parent.marvellousme.com/>