

# FLORA NEWS

HAVE A LOVELY WEEKEND

FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER

## FLORA'S GOT TALENT



We truly have some very talented pupils here at Flora Gardens.

A huge well done to all involved and thank you to Mr Mason for hosting.

**The winners:  
The Six True Kings**

## INTERNATIONAL EVENING

It was great to see so many friendly faces at our annual International Evening last Friday.



## VALUE AWARD WINNERS

Y6- Johnny  
Y5- Shahad  
Y4- Manuela  
Y3- Su  
Y2- Emily  
Y1- Asra  
Reception- Sienna  
Nursery- Rebahana  
Music- Kosta  
PE- Nylan, Loaira, Kassem & Huiafa



## Y6 & Y5 FARMERS

Reminder that if your child is in Years 5 or 6, and is going on the school residential to Nethercott on Monday, you will need to arrive at school no latter than 6:45 am as the coach will be leaving promptly at 7am.



## ATTENDANCE WINNERS



Congratulations to Year 2 who have the highest attendance this week with an impressive

**92%**

# PTA presents...

# PYJAMA PARTY

COME AND JOIN US FOR A FUN NIGHT INCLUDING:



- A MOVIE
- SNACKS
- HOT CHOCOLATE
- A TEDDY BEAR COMPETITION (ALL ENTRIES 50P)



THURSDAY  
9TH  
NOVEMBER

TIMES

EYFS : 1:30-3:00PM  
KS1 & KS2 : 4:45-7PM

ENTRY PRICE

£2.50

ALL SNACKS

50P EACH



I often talk about the family atmosphere that Flora has. Many Heads do this about their schools. But at Flora it really is true - for 9 years you have been my family - as pupils and the ones that have sat here before you, as staff and the ones that you have replaced and as Governors and Parents.

That is what makes leaving so difficult, but that is part of life and we must always look to grow and improve.

During my time here, we have grown not only as an institution but as a tight-knit family. Our journey together has been one of love, laughter, some pain and countless memories that I will cherish forever. This school has been a haven of family-oriented values, and it has been an honour to lead it on this incredible journey.

Together, we have watched our pupils blossom into remarkable individuals, each with their unique talents and dreams. We have celebrated their achievements, big and small, and stood by them through challenges and hardships.

Our school has always been a place where every pupil is seen, heard, and valued as a part of our extended family. It is a place where the pupils come first.

Flora holds a special place in my heart. I feel a sense of pride and nostalgia as I reflect on the incredible journey we have shared together.

When I was first appointed to this role, I was filled with ambition and a vision for what this school could become. I saw a community brimming with potential, and I am delighted to say that we have exceeded my expectations. Over the years, we have grown in spirit and accomplishments.

I've spent a considerable amount of time pondering what makes our school so unique. Children of Flora Gardens... I must say, every time I walk into your classrooms, I'm truly impressed by the level of creativity you display. It's fascinating how you can turn a simple problem into a complex web of confusion, leaving even the most experienced teachers scratching their heads. But, at least you're keeping us on our toes!

Is it the staff? Those brave souls who willingly enter a room full of energy, enthusiasm, and occasionally chaos. You see, they're like superheroes, armed with pencils and textbooks instead of capes and masks. But trust me, their superpowers are no less impressive! From decoding handwriting that even ancient Egyptians would struggle with to managing a classroom of hyperactive pupils.

My Staff, you have been the pillars of Flora Gardens, nurturing and shaping young minds with unwavering care and professionalism. Your tireless efforts behind the scenes, the countless hours spent crafting lesson plans, providing guidance, and mentoring pupils have not gone unnoticed. You have touched the lives of generations, and your influence will be felt long after your time here. I am humbled to have worked alongside such exceptional educators.

Working with The Governors has been similar to training the naughtiest and most unruly dog that exists! In the end it comes down to operant conditioning. I am clearly talking about Derrick and Co training me! Well done!

But seriously, the Governors have been so supportive of the school, the staff, my Senior Leadership Team and myself. The professional relationship which is friendly and sociable plays an enormous part in the atmosphere at Flora Gardens. And let's not forget that they do it for free. Derrick, Sam, Helen, et al, thank you so much for everything you have done for the school and myself.

Of course, we can't forget about our esteemed parents. Is it you the parents that make Flora Gardens so unique? You are amazing! From navigating the treacherous terrain of school drop-offs to helping with homework that seems more like a riddle, you deserve a round of applause.

And let's not forget your impressive acting skills during parent-teacher meetings. I've seen performances worthy of an Oscar as you react to your child's report card like it's the end of the world. But remember, it's just a working towards in History. There's still hope for their future!

As I move on to new challenges and adventures, I want you all to know that this school will always hold a very special place in my heart. The values that define our community will forever guide my actions and decisions in the future.

Change is inevitable, and it is a testament to the strength of this school that it will continue to thrive in the capable hands of the Katy, Connor, the wider leadership team and the staff. I have full confidence that the spirit of family and excellence that defines our school will remain alive and well.

My dear pupils, staff, Governors and parents, thank you for embracing the laughter, the challenges, and the occasional chaos that comes with education. This school is a place where learning happens, friendships bloom, and memories are made. So, let that continue.

Embrace the journey together, armed with laughter and the knowledge that you will always have hilarious stories to share in the future.

You have made these past years the most fulfilling and rewarding of my career.

I will carry the memories of our time together with me always, and I look forward to hearing about the continued success and growth of this incredible school.

Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your lives.

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