



# FLORA NEWS



## HEAD'S BLOG

Thank you to Sean, Jasmin, Irma and Ignacio for reading so well in our Remembrance Day assembly this morning. Ignacio gave a beautiful rendition of In Flanders Fields in Spanish.

In Flanders Fields is a war poem in the form of a rondeau, written during the First World War by Canadian physician Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae. He was inspired to write it on May 3, 1915, after presiding over the funeral of friend and fellow soldier Lieutenant Alexis Helmer, who died in the Second Battle of Ypres. According to legend, fellow soldiers retrieved the poem after McCrae, initially dissatisfied with his work, discarded it. In Flanders Fields was first published on December 8 of that year in the London magazine *Punch*. Today, it is one of the most popular and most quoted poems from the war.

### In Flanders Fields

By John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.



## Amongst Flanders Fields

By Dafina Aliu, Y4

In Flanders Fields where memories glow,  
Millions and millions of poppies grow.  
Your torches we shall hold high,  
Even further than the sky.

May you have a great, long sleep,  
Though your memories we shall keep.  
For your death we shall mark,  
With the most beautiful lark.

We always had faith,  
For you are safe.  
In our hearts,  
Amongst Flanders Fields.

Thank you to all of the pupils who attended Movie Night on Thursday. We hope you had a fantastic time with your friends and enjoyed the movie!

A very big thank you to Miss Kelly, who always puts in so much effort to make these events enjoyable for your children.

Thank you to the staff and parents who stayed to support.

You helped to raised £272.20 for the PTA, which will be spent on resources for our pupils.

If you would like to help out with future events, please see Miss Kelly who can be found at the tuck shop after school every Friday.

## Mr Finney's PE Blog

Flora boys 0 – 0 St. Stephen's boys  
Man of the match – Lucas  
Flora girls 0 – 1 St. Stephen's girls  
Girl of the match – Irma

Our Athletics Team represented Flora so well yesterday. We finished 5<sup>th</sup> out of 10 schools.

My superstar of the week is **Lucas in Y6G** for an outstanding amount of effort in all sports, PE and competitions this week.

## Attendance

This week: 6 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017	
Class	Attendance
Reception	87.6%
Year 1	92.6%
Year 2	97.6%
Year 3	97.7%
Year 4	97.8%
Year 5	93.3%
Year 6F	96.4%
Year 6G	95.2%
Totals	94.9%

Very good Y2, Y3 & Y4 – an impressive week!  
Those in red are way below our target of 97%.

Nursery	84%
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## Superstars!

Nursery – Sofia E  
Reception – Nazim  
Year 1 – Ioana  
Year 2 – Adam  
Year 3 – Rhys  
Year 4 – Musa  
Year 5 – Joel  
Year 6F – Louis  
Year 6G – Aisha B

### Well done!

Superstar certificates are presented in Tuesday assemblies at 9.05am in the hall – parents are welcome to attend.