

FLORA NEWS

Important Dates

Head's Drop-In sessions:

Tuesday – 9.00 - 9.30am

Thursday 3.00 - 3.30pm

Please don't forget that the Head is available at other times to suit.

Assembly

Monday 29th June – Attendance and Special Achievement Assembly

Friday 3rd July – Singing Assembly

Last day of term - 21st July

The children will be ready to collect from school at 1.30pm on the last day of term

Head's Blog

As another busy week comes to an end at Flora Gardens, it is great to see the Year 6 pupils putting together the foundations of our House system, which will be launched in the autumn term. I expect the House system to become one of the corner stones of the school and the Year 6's can be proud of the foundations that they are creating.

Thank you for the many communications that I am receiving in person, by email and by letter from you; your comments and suggestions are most welcome. It is always helpful to have your name and contact details on your suggestions so I can feedback to you as quickly as possible.

I am delighted to let you know that the LEA are coming to the school on Friday 3rd July to look at the rapid progress that we have made since March and that has been recorded as fact by Her Majesty's Inspectorate (HMI), following the Ofsted visit in March. I am yet to receive the formal letter from HMI but will send it out as soon as it arrives. With all of the external visits to the school that we have had (this is the fourth since February), the common theme is what a wonderful cohort of children we have; the Flora Gardens community is very strong. I am, however, reminded of President Barak Obamas' quote about education. He said, 'Just weighing a pig doesn't fatten it, you can weigh it all the time but it is not making the hogs fatter.' The point being, if all we do is check on progress then we can lose sight of actually improving the educational outcomes for the pupils. For me, education is about far more than levels and steps, it is about community, honesty, integrity and producing well rounded individuals that are confident, highly educated, multi skilled and ready for their next step in life. This is the gold standard that we continue to strive for at Flora Gardens for every single one of our pupils and the staff and governors are in place to deliver this.

The applications received for 'Head for the day' are of a very high quality and the winners will be announced next week.

I hope you have a great weekend. Thank you for your continued support.

This week the School Council have chosen to interview Mrs Hobman!



Where did you grow up?

Hammersmith

How tall are you?

5'2 I may have shrunk due to old age

Who did you admire / look up to when you were younger?

My Mum

What football team do you support?

QPR

What is your favourite Food?

Roast chicken

Colour?

Lilac

Animal?

Cats

Number?

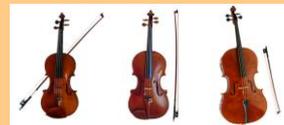
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Introducing our new music teacher



My name is Daniel Smith and I am the new music teacher at Flora Gardens. I hope to put singing and general musical skills at the heart of the music curriculum to equip our children with the skills for all of their musical experiences whether it be singing assembly, choir, school productions, projects or instrumental learning. I am a string specialist and hope to run the violin programme in years two and three and take on the small group violin teaching. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Viktoria Zora for all her hard work as she will be leaving us. However, Viktoria will continue with the small group lessons until the children take the medals. I will then teach these children for the remaining weeks of term. I also hope to start a choir and hold regular concerts in which all children who wish to can perform. I also hope to take part in projects with the music service and professional groups in order to enhance children's experience.



Nursery – Aaliyah & Jamiore

Reception - Ibrahim

Y1 - Millie

Y2 - Noor

Y3S – Calum

Y3A - Jehiah

Y4 - Lila

Y5 - Sakina

Y6 - Ulaayah