

William Fletcher School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week we held a very special school assembly to celebrate our school being awarded Gold level for our Rights Respecting work. Our whole school community led by Mrs Lancaster has worked hard to put the UN convention for the rights of the child at the heart of our school. I am very proud of our school in achieving this award. It recognises the commitment of our community to support and nurture our children. We are also very proud as we are the only school in Oxfordshire to hold this award.



Some of our children in year 6 attended the Young Leaders training session held at The Marlborough School. The children met with year 6 children from our partner schools and learnt how to lead playtime games for children in years 1 and 2. The year 6 children will first teach their new skills to the rest of the year 6 children and then they will all have the opportunity over the year to lead games at breaktimes with the younger children.



Yesterday we began our weekly visits to the Nursing Home in Yarnton. The photos show Lily and Callan proudly holding the Autumn poems they wrote with some of the residents. Each week we take a group of children to spend an hour with the residents, the children either take some of their work to show or they take part in a range of activities with the residents

– in the past we have had quizzes, reading sessions and bowling. The residents enjoy meeting and talking with the children. Our children practice their speaking and listening skills as well as getting to know older people who live in their community.



Best Wishes

Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team

Our assembly theme for the month of October is Justice



Writer of the week – Lucy M in Year 4
Mathematician of the week – James In Year 4
Reader of the week – Lucy B in Year 4
School Value – Emelia in Year 1
Building Learning Power – Olivia in Year 4

Celebration of achievements

This week Archie in Year 5 has been awarded his Bronze merit arrow. Well done to him for successfully completing a range of activities to a high standard to be awarded his arrow badge.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home: Nathan L, Nancy, Isla, Betsy, Ellie-Mae, Cora & Jasper in Swallows. Jovan in Kingfishers. Dora in Nightingales. Ben, Austin, Phineas, Cherry, Charlie & Maggie in Kestrels. Lucy, Maisie, Ava, Max F, Charlotte, Jemima & Rory in Red Kites. Zak, Ellie, Ross, Maya, Jayden, Jessica, Daisy, Poppy, Alfie & Eliza in Peregrine Falcons. Alba, Isla, George, Brendon, Archie, Isabella, Thomas in Sky Larks.

Transport to Secondary School

As many of you will now be thinking about the transition from primary to secondary school and the majority will anticipate your child attending The Marlborough School (our partnership school), you may or may not be aware that there is no longer a 'free' school bus from Yarnton and Begbroke to The Marlborough School. Parents of pupils attending from this September, have for the first time had to pay for either an OCC provided school bus, or seek alternative methods of transport - walking / cycling / driving / public transport.

From September 2019, OCC will no longer be providing any sort of fee charging school bus (unless eligible for Free School Meals). This means that all Marlborough School pupils from our villages will have to make their own way to school. Whilst The Marlborough School is unable to alter this policy change, OCC Councillors may well be able to.

With this in mind, The next Traffic Advisory Committee meeting for Woodstock will be next Wednesday **10th October 2018 at 4pm** in the Mayor's Parlour at the Town Hall.

The meeting is open to the public and requests to address the TAC can be submitted FAO Administration Assistant via Woodstock Town Council Town Hall at T: 01993 811216 or E: FAO Administration Assistant at info@woodstock-tc.gov.uk

The evening before the TAC meeting, Woodstock Town Council will hold its monthly meeting (**9th October 2018, 7:30pm**) at the same venue. It is also open to the public and people can request to address the Council by sending a

request FAO Town Clerk, info@woodstock-tc.gov.uk or phoning 01993 811216.

The Town Council meetings are also regularly attended by the Leader of the County Council in his capacity as Woodstock's representative at OCC, and by both WODC Councillors for Woodstock.

Both meetings would be particularly interested in receiving any concerns about anticipated spikes in vehicular traffic movements, related safety concerns, pollution ramifications, and potential changes affecting construction traffic management for Shipton Road. There is also a major whole-Town parking policy review scheduled to take place by WODC, and foreseeable surges in school run -related vehicles would obviously be highly relevant.

PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting is on Wednesday 10th October at 7.30pm at The Turnpike.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club runs every day from 07:30 – 08:45 in the Howard Hillsdon building (old playgroup). The children enjoy a range of breakfast cereals, fruit juices, yoghurts and toast, followed by the opportunity to play indoor games. The cost is £3.50 per child starting at 07:30 and £3.00 per child starting at 08:00. If you would like your children to take part in breakfast club please see the staff in the office.

Email Newsletter

If you would like the newsletter emailed to you every week, can you please email Mrs Morris at office.2354@william-fletcher.oxon.sch.uk and your details will be added to the email list. Our newsletters can also be viewed online at <http://www.william-fletcher.oxon.sch.uk> and on the William Fletcher Primary School App.

Forthcoming Dates

October 2018

07.10.18	School Half Marathon run in Oxford
10.10.18	Year 3 & 4 Football tournament at Carterton
11.10.18	Year 5 Street Dance at The Marlborough School
12.10.18	Learning Cards go home for review
15.10.18	Learning Cards to be returned to school
17.10.18	Parent & Child Maths Puzzle Evening
18.10.18	Year 3 & 4 Visit to Oxfordshire Museum
18.10.18	Cross Country for Years 3 – 6
19.10.18	End of Autumn Term 1
29.10.18	INSET Day
30.10.18	Autumn Term 2 begins
31.10.18	Individual Pupil Photos

November 2018

05.11.18	Year 5 & 6 Hockey tournament
08.11.18	Year 5 & 6 Steam Museum
12.11.18	Parent Teacher Evening
13.11.18	Parent Teacher Evening
19.11.18	Inset Day
30.11.18	Flu Vaccination for Foundation Years 1,2,3,4 & 5

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2018/2019

Term 1

Wednesday 5th September to Friday 19th October

Tuesday 4th September INSET DAY

Term 2

Tuesday 30th October to Friday 21st December

Monday 29th October INSET DAY

Monday 19th November INSET DAY

Term 3

Monday 7th January to Friday 15th February

Term 4

Monday 25th February to Friday 5th April

Term 5

Tuesday 23rd April to Thursday 23rd May

Friday 24th May INSET Day

Term 6

Monday 3rd June to Tuesday 23rd July

Wednesday 24th July INSET Day