

William Fletcher School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school and the beginning of term 5. The children in our key Stage 1 classes had a visit from the Kidlington Fire Service. The fire service brought their fire engine and lots of equipment to show the children. They talked to the children about keeping themselves safe and what to do if they are ever involved in a fire incident. The clear message to the children was "get out, stay out, call the fire brigade". The children also learned about the need for fire alarms and regular testing. The children were asked to go home and check they have a working fire alarm. Any family who does not have a fire alarm can contact the fire service for help with this matter. The fire service will be back later in the month to talk to the children in Foundation Stage. I am grateful to the fire service in supporting our work in teaching the children how to keep themselves safe.



At the end of this week you will receive curriculum newsletters and curriculum maps from your child's class teacher. These are useful documents to refer to over the term, please contact your child's class teacher if one doesn't make its way home to you! Copies of the letters and curriculum maps will be available to view on the school website.

Staffing news

At the end of last term we held interviews for a new class teacher. This is because our school is expanding and we will need an additional class for children in year 3 and 4 next academic year. We had a healthy number of well qualified applicants. Following the interviews we appointed Miss Underhill who is currently teaching in Southampton. Miss Underhill will be joining us for a couple of days over the coming term to meet with children and staff before she takes up her post in September.

From September Children currently in years 2 and 3 will be grouped into 3 classes. Each class will be made up of children from both year groups. Over the next few weeks the key stage 1 team and the Lower Key stage 2 team will be allocating children to their new classes. If you wish to discuss this process please make an appointment to speak to your child's class teacher.

Mrs Sumner, who currently works in our school as a Teaching Assistant in Swallows class is moving to Devon at the end of term. Mrs Sumner has worked at our school for 18 years. She is a hugely valuable member of our team and we will all miss her enormously. There will be time over the next few weeks to say our goodbyes but I am sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Sumner and her husband every happiness in the next part of their lives.

Best wishes

Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team

Our assembly theme for the month of April is Honesty

Celebration of achievements

This week Jaime-Lee and Carson from year 5 have been awarded their Silver merit arrow. Well done to them for successfully completing a range of tasks and activities to a high standard to be awarded their arrow badges.



Writer of the week – Lottie (Year 6)
Mathematician of the week – Johnny (Year 3)
Reader of the week – Noah (Year 6)
School Value person of the week – George (Year 2)
Building Learning Power – Lily-Ella (Year 4)

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 200 nights of reading at home: Phineas, Austin, Lucy and Max in Swallows. Poppy in Kingfishers. Honey in Nightingales. Charlie and Tianna in Owls. Emily in Red Kites. Emma, Amy and Hugo in Sky Larks. Diane, Anna, Lottie & Astor in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 175 nights of reading at home: Alfie in Swallows. Hakan in Kingfishers. Declan, Anika, Baran, Oliver and Phoebe in Nightingales. Samantha in Red Kites. Erin in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 150 nights of reading at home: Rory, Lyla and Isla in Swallows. Austin in Kingfishers. Alan, Abi, Niamh and Archie in Nightingales. Callan and Lily in Owls. Arabella and Hazel in Red Kites. Melanie, Lauren, Erin & Oliwier in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 125 nights of reading at home: Sebastian in Kingfishers. Sonny, Grace and Elsie in Nightingales. Isobel in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 100 nights of reading at home: Daniel in Swallows. Christian in Kingfishers.

Russell in Nightingales. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 50 nights of reading at home: Callum in Owls. Freddie in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following child who has reached his 25 nights of reading at home: Ibrahim in Nightingales. Well done to everyone, keep up the good work.

Goodbye to the Hunter Family

Please see below a message from the Hunter family who will be leaving us next week. As a school we are very grateful to Rachel who was a school governor for a number of years and Stephen who has been instrumental in developing our school garden area. We wish all of the family much happiness and success in the future.

Miranda in Owls and Austin in Kingfishers are moving to Devon next week so Tuesday will be their last day with William Fletcher School. We would like to say goodbye to all our friends and teachers and thank you for all the time you have spent with us. We will miss you all but are really excited about living near the sea and the moors. We will keep in touch. The Hunter Family.

Music Lessons with World Beats Music

Does your son or daughter fancy learning to play drum kit or guitar? We are now enrolling new students to start lessons. Please visit www.worldbeatsmusic.co.uk and follow the link to enrol your child for instrumental lessons!

Sainsbury's Vouchers

We are collecting the vouchers which we use to purchase equipment for the school. When you have any of these vouchers please hand them into the office where they will be counted!

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club runs every day from 07:30 – 08:45. 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 Mrs Morris 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@ocnmail.net 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/William_Fletcher

Carillion Cleaner in Charge

Carillion is currently looking for a cleaner in charge to work at our school from 3.15pm – 6.15pm Monday to Friday. Please contact Lorna Prescott on 07734781121 or Cheryl.dawson@carillionplc.com if you are interested in this post.

Yarnton Blues Under 7

Players wanted in school year 2 (age 6-7). We currently have a team playing in the Witney and District League and our games are on Saturday mornings. Training is on Tuesday's from 6.30pm - 7.30pm at Rutten Lane playing fields. Please get in touch with Mark Simms on 07798824828 if you are interested.

Football Club

Football Club is running every Friday, term time, 3.15-4.15pm. Please contact Ben at oxfordshire@playthearsenalway.com to book a free taster session.

Forthcoming Dates

April 2016

12.04.16	Fire Service visiting KS1
19.04.16	Year 3 Natural History Museum Trip
26.04.16	Fire Service visiting Foundation

May 2016

03.05.16	Class Photos
04.05.16	May Day Celebrations
05.05.16	Year 3 and 4 Tennis - Witney
06.05.16	Year 5 and 6 Swimming Gala at Marlborough School
12.05.16	Year 3 and 4 Tennis – Standlake
17.05.16	Year 5 Maths Challenge
18.05.16	Year 5 and 6 Living Rainforest Trip
24.05.16	Year 3 Book Feast at Pitt Rivers
25.05.16	Year 2 Ultra Olympics
25.05.16	Year 6 Chairman's Cup Rugby Tournament

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2015/2016

Term 5

Monday 11th April to Friday 27th May

Term 6

Tuesday 7th June to Tuesday 19th July

Monday 6th June INSET Day

Wednesday 20th July INSET Day