

William Fletcher School

Dear Parents and Carers



Our Building Learning Power Team came to the most recent full governors meeting to meet with our governors. The children explained to the governors how BLP is used in our school to support learning. They talked about the



different learning muscles and the characters Rosie, Raj, Ruby and Robbie, who are displayed in all of our classrooms. The governors visited classrooms and looked at the BLP display in the hall where they were invited to take a learning quote. The session ended with a traditional WF "quiz-quiz,trade" activity. A very big thank you



to all of the children who attended the evening meeting and to Mr Lister who leads our BLP team.

This week our children in year 6 performed at the Town hall in Oxford as part of the Christmas Big Sing. The children performed an African Christmas song and then together with children from other schools as part of a 200 strong choir. The evening concert raised money for the charity Christian Aid which supports communities around the world living in poverty. It was a super evening and an excellent start to the Christmas season. Well done to all of the children in year 6 who took part.



Our building work is making good progress and we are hoping to be able to move into the new building in January. The current year 6 and 5 children will move into the two new classrooms. The living green roof is almost complete, it is currently being planted up with small sedum plants, it also has solar panels which will make energy for the school to use when the sun shines!

Tomorrow, children are invited to come to school dressed in their own clothes in exchange for a gift suitable to be given to parents for the Christmas Shopping Day.

Best wishes

Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team

Our assembly theme for the month of December is Peace

Celebration of achievements

This week Hazel in Year 5 and Cheyenne and George in Year 6 have been awarded their Bronze merit arrows. 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 – Flora Year 3
Mathematician of the week- Lily Year 4
Reader of the week – Ibrahim Year 2
School Value person of the week – Edgar Year 2
Building Learning Power – Orla , Hakan Year 1, Alba Year 3, Alex & Lillie Ella Year 5, Michael, Flora and Emma Year 6

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 75 nights of reading at home: Ben in Swallows. Tianna and Bori in Owls. Sophie in Sky Larks. Suzan and Amelia in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 50 nights of reading at home: Oscar, Georgia, Orla, Leah-Kate and Isobel in Swallows. Corey and Olivia in Kingfishers. Christian, Tiffanie and Archie in Kestrels. Maisee in Sky Larks. Yasmin-Dior and Yasamin in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home: Archie in Nightingales. Bobby in Eagles.



Congratulations Elise, Lizzy and Sophie for winning the Brownie cup and to Lucy, Emily, Flossie, Maisee and Sophie for being awarded their bronze and silver music certificates.



Christmas Play Dates

06.12.16	Foundation Stage	2pm
07.12.16	Years 1 & 2	2pm
07.12.16	Years 3 & 4	5.30pm
07.12.16	Years 5 & 6	7.00pm
08.12.16	Years 1 & 2	2pm
08.12.16	Years 3 & 4	5.30pm
08.12.16	Years 5 & 6	7.00pm

The PTA will be serving refreshments during the Christmas Plays. If you are able to donate a cake please bring it along. There will also be a raffle and the PTA would be grateful of any prizes. Please bring them to the office.

Christmas Play Tickets

If you have not got your tickets, please do so as soon as possible.

Christmas Dinner

On 13th December Fresh Start is offering a Christmas lunch for all children in school. If you would like your child to have a Christmas Lunch please log into <https://freshstartcatering.uk> and use your log in details. The cost is £2.30 per child in Key Stage 2 and is free for Foundation and Key Stage 1 pupils.

Bag Packing at Sainsbury's, Kidlington

The PTA have been lucky enough to be given another opportunity to raise money by bag packing at Sainsbury's in Kidlington on Tuesday 13th December from 4pm -8pm. We have divided this into 45 minute time slots. If your child is able to help please sign up at the school office. Children will need to be wearing school uniform while bag packing. The proceeds will be going towards the new playground equipment.

Children's Christmas Shopping Day

The PTA organize this event each Christmas which is very popular with the children. For those of you who are new to William Fletcher School it runs like this: There is one more non-uniform day tomorrow, every child can wear his / her own clothes in exchange for bringing in a small gift suitable to be given to parents. Then on the Christmas Shopping Day the children "go Christmas shopping" and are allowed to buy two gifts priced at 50p, £1 or £1.50 each. The children then wrap these gifts themselves in the classroom and bring them home to put under the Christmas tree. The gifts are required to be new and unopened and in date (and nothing alcoholic please!). To give you some ideas of what to donate, the children enjoy buying for their parents: Small boxes of chocolates or biscuits, sweets, shower gel, soaps, bubble bath.

Wednesday 14 December - Christmas Shopping Day - children to bring £1-£3 to school to buy gifts. Wrapping paper, tape etc. will be provided by the PTA.

Children's Personalised Tea Towels

The children have drawn a picture of themselves and the PTA have arranged for the drawings to go onto a tea towel. There is a Foundation and Key Stage 1 tea towel and Key Stage 2 tea towel. The cost of each tea towel is £3.00, if you would like a tea towel you can purchase it from the office.

Parent Governor Nominations

As you will be aware, we recently invited nominations for a new Parent Governor. Having received just the one nominee, I am pleased to announce that Hannah Battye has accepted the position. Hannah is mum to Jack in Kingfishers Class and will I am sure, bring a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to the role. On behalf of the Governing Body I would like to welcome Hannah to the Governing Body

Christmas Craft Afternoon

Two local students from The Marlborough School are holding a Christmas Craft afternoon in aid of a project to build green houses for the local community in the Himalayas, on Saturday 10th December from 2pm – 4pm in Yarnton Playgroup. There will be craft activities, raffle, stocking fillers, Christmas fancy dress competition and refreshments. Entrance is £1 for adults which includes a free mince pie, children are free.

Cleaners Required

Carillion are looking for two cleaners at William Fletcher School. The position is for 10 hours a week (negotiable), Monday to Friday. Hours of work: 3.30pm to 5.30pm approximately. Term time plus 4 weeks exclusive of holiday at £7.20 per hour. Experience is desirable but not essential, as training will be provided. The successful candidate subject to CRB checks. For more information and an application form please contact Tracy on 07736 498 699.

Forthcoming Dates

December

02.12.16	Non School Uniform Day in exchange for second gift
05.12.16	Year 6 Imps visit
06.12.16	Foundation Stage Christmas Performance - 2pm
07.12.16	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance - 2.00pm
07.12.16	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Performance - 5.30pm
07.12.16	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Performance - 7.00pm
08.12.16	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance - 2.00pm
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08.12.16	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Performance - 7.00pm
13.12.16	Christmas Lunch in School
14.12.16	Christmas Shopping Day
15.12.16	Christmas Parties
16.12.16	End of Term 2

January

03.01.17	Inset Day
04.01.17	Inset Day
05.01.17	Start of Term 3
09.01.17	Founders Day Service
18.01.17	Help your child with Literacy evening
26.01.17	Year 5 & 6 Boccia

February

03.02.17	School Disco
09.02.17	Year 6 Junior Citizen
09.02.17	Year 5 & 6 Indoor Athletics
10.02.17	End of Term 3
20.02.17	Start of Term 4