

**William Fletcher School**

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to school and the start of the new academic year. A very warm welcome to all of our new families who have joined our school this term.

All of our children have made a very enthusiastic start to the new term, it has been an interesting few days talking to the children about their learning. Enclosed in this newsletter are letters from your child's teachers and a curriculum map for the Autumn term. If you have any questions about these, please see your child's teacher who will be happy to discuss the term ahead with you.

**Staffing news**

We have four new members of staff who have joined our school this term. Mrs Lancaster teaching Kestrel class (our new year 3/4 class), Mrs Lind teaching Nightingale class, Mrs Davies, teaching assistant in Eagle class and Mrs Bhatti, teaching assistant in Red Kite class.

Mrs Buchanan will be starting her maternity leave in October. Mrs Ford will teach Red Kite class for 4 days a week and Mrs McDonnell will teach the class for 1 day a week. We are very fortunate to be able to deploy teachers to new posts within the school. Mrs Ford and Mrs McDonnell are both very experienced members of staff who know the school well.

**School Communication**

School newsletters are published weekly, they are an invaluable source of information about our school as well as a useful way to celebrate the many achievements of our children. The newsletter is also published on the school website [www.william-fletcher.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.william-fletcher.oxon.sch.uk)

In addition to these methods of communication we are also launching a William Fletcher School App. This can be downloaded to smart phones and tablets by going to the app or google store and searching for William Fletcher School. Please find attached letter for username and password.

**From next week we will no longer publish a paper copy of the newsletter, if you would still like to receive a paper copy please let the office staff know by next Wednesday.**

**After School Clubs**

Our After School Clubs will begin next week and the week after. Please see the table below and sign your child up if they would like to participate. Where clubs are oversubscribed your child will be placed on a waiting list.

Club	Day	Start Date	Time	Age group	Member of staff	How to apply for a place	Cost
<b>Lego club</b>	Monday	19 <sup>th</sup> September – 17 <sup>th</sup> October (then change of group)	3.00-4.00	Year 1-6	Mrs Weeks	Complete slip below	£5.00 this term
<b>Change4life</b>	Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup> September	3.00-4.00	Year 3 and 4	Mrs Young	Complete application form	No cost
<b>Netball club</b>	Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup> September	3.00-4.00	Year 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6	Mrs Morris	Complete application form	£5.00 per term
<b>Homework club</b>	Thursday	15 <sup>th</sup> September	3.00-4.00	Year 5 and 6	Mrs Pring and upper KS2 staff	Complete slip below	No cost
<b>Chess club</b>	Friday	9 <sup>th</sup> September	3.00-4.00	All ages	Mr Lee	Contact School Office	£5.00 per term
<b>Football</b>	Friday	16 <sup>th</sup> September	3.00-4.00	All ages	Arsenal – outside providers	Application forms available from the school office	£3.50 per session



At the end of last term we presented our first Governors awards for children. Teachers were asked to select two children from their class who had shown an extraordinary improvement in an aspect of school life over the past year. This was a very difficult task for our teachers as there were so many candidates, however the following children were awarded a Governors award. They were all presented with a certificate and a badge, which they can wear to school as part of their uniform.

**Best wishes  
Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team**

**Our assembly theme for the month of September is Thankfulness**

### **After School Care**

A parent is looking for a childminder to look after their year 4 child every day after school. If you are able to do this please call Mrs Morris on 07900071498.

### **Pre-school News**

This Year's Pre-school Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th September at 7.30pm, new and existing parents welcome! Nibbles and drinks provided.

Any questions or for more information on attending please contact us on yarntonpg@btconnect.com or ypscommittee@outlook.com

### **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 the staff in the office.

### **Music Lessons with World Beats Music**

Does your son or daughter want to learn to play drum kit or guitar? We are now enrolling new students to start lessons. Please visit [www.worldbeatmusic.co.uk](http://www.worldbeatmusic.co.uk) and follow the link to enrol your child for instrumental lessons!

### **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](mailto: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>

### **Forthcoming Dates**

#### **September 2016**

09.09.16	Swimming begins for Year 5
23.09.16	Year 6 Cookie / Cake sale
27.09.16	Foundation Stage Phonics evening for Parents/Carers
28.09.16	Year 5 & 6 visit to Swindon Steam Museum
30.09.16	Year 6 Young Leaders at The Marlborough School
30.09.16	Macmillan Cake Sale

## **William Fletcher School Term Dates 2016/2017**

### **Term 1**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September to Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September INSET Day

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October INSET Day

### **Term 2**

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

### **Term 3**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January INSET Day

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January INSET Day

### **Term 4**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April

### **Term 5**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

### **Term 6**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June INSET Day

### **Lego Club**

I would like my child to take part in Lego club, I understand I will need to pay £5.00 for the term if my child is given a place.

Child's name .....

Parent's signature .....

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### **Homework**

I would like my child to take part in Homework club

Child's name .....

Parent's signature .....