

William Fletcher School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy new Year and welcome back to school, it has been lovely to see the children returning to school refreshed from their break and eager and enthusiastic to learn.

This week we celebrated our Founders' Day. This has now become a favourite tradition of the school. The children in Key stage 2 took part in a special Founders' Day service at the church. The year 6 children spoke about the life of William Fletcher and then the church bell was rung by the children 87 times, one ring for each year of William Fletcher's life. Finally, as requested by William Fletcher, all of the children enjoyed eating a cake! I am grateful to Reverend Oliver who led the service for us and for helping to make Founders' Day such a special event for both children and staff.

Staffing news

Mr Paul Austin has joined the staff team this term to teach Swallow class and lead the Key Stage 1 team whilst Miss Parsons is on maternity leave.

Mrs Brown has been appointed Assistant Deputy Headteacher at our school and begun this new role at the start of term too. I wish both Mr Austin and Mrs Brown success in their new roles.

Miss Parsons baby boy was born at the end of December weighting 7lbs1/2 oz, both mum and baby are doing very well. We are all looking forward to when they both visit school in the Spring term.

Our first PTA meeting of the new year takes place tonight at 7.00pm at school. All are very welcome to attend, amongst other things we will be discussing fundraising opportunities for the coming term. This is a good way to meet other parents and forge new friendships.

Best Wishes

Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team

Our assembly theme for the month of January is Generosity



Writer of the week – Jack in Year 5
Mathematician of the week – Jack in Year 3
Reader of the week – Maisie in Year 4
School Value – Poppy in Year 4
Building Learning Power – Abby in Year 4

Celebration of achievements

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 125 nights of reading at home: Ellie-Mae in Swallows. Phineas in Kestrels. Lyla E, Lucy, Nell & Becka in Owls. George in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 100 nights of reading at home: Charlotte, Isla, Jasper & Zachary in Swallows. Liam & Elise in Kestrels. Eliza in Peregrine Falcons.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 75 nights of reading at home: Oliver & Lily-Rose in Swallows. Ethan in Kingfishers. Archie in Nightingales. Cherry & Oscar in Kestrels. Honey in Owls. Sam in Peregrine Falcons. Ethan in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 50 nights of reading at home: Claire in Kingfishers. Lily-Mae in Peregrine Falcons.

Attendance

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

There are only 190 statutory school days in one year and 175 days (weekends and school holidays) available to use for holidays.

Parents should avoid taking their children out of school during term time in order to go on holiday.

The attendance teddy bear this week was awarded to Sky Larks for 100% attendance.

Class	Attendance for 17.12.18 – 21.12.18
Eagles	94.67%
Kestrel	94.07%
Kingfishers	98.18%
Nightingales	92.27%
Owls	99.23%
Peregrine Falcons	98.00%
Red Kites	97.14%
Robins	97.08%
Sky Larks	100%
Swallows	98.33%
Wrens	95.00%
Total	96.60%

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.

Ignite Football Club – Every Friday from 3pm – 4pm

If you would like your child to attend Ignite Football Club for term 3 which runs every Friday from 3pm to 4pm, if your child would like to join please see Mrs Morris in the office.

Yarnton Pre-School Manager Vacancy

Yarnton Pre-School is a charitable institution, managed by a voluntary committee. Established in 1979 to provide Early Years provision for the children of Yarnton and the surrounding area, the Pre-school, now situated in a bright and spacious purpose-built facility, is a thriving part of the community, with 58 children currently on roll.

Yarnton Pre-School is looking to appoint a strong, dynamic Pre-school Manager who will be responsible for the day to day running of our Pre-School for children aged 2 to 4 years.

The Manager will ensure high standards of care, development and learning in a safe, secure and stimulating environment. You will have experience of leading a team by example, be a fantastic Early Years practitioner and have a good understanding of what the role of a childcare manager entails. In addition to this you will be responsible for completing all necessary documentation to ensure the smooth running of the setting, display strong interpersonal skills, have an excellent understanding of the EYFS and a working knowledge of current legislation, as well as an ability to demonstrate and implement best practice. You must have a minimum of an NVQ 3 Childcare Qualification. Salary is highly competitive for the right candidate with the right experience. For more information, please contact the Chair of the Committee on chair.yps@gmail.com

Forthcoming Dates

January 2019

11.01.19	Curriculum Letters go home
14.01.19	Knitting club begins – 3.00pm – 4.15pm
22.01.19	Foundation Stage Eye Test
24.01.19	Year 1 Dance at The Marlborough
25.01.19	Year 3 & 4 Schools Concert at the Sheldonian Theatre
31.01.19	Year 5 & 6 Boccia

February 2019

08.02.19	Learning cards go home
11.02.19	Learning cards returned
14.02.19	Year 5 & 6 Sports hall athletics at The Marlborough
15.02.19	End of term 3
25.02.19	Term 4 begins
26.02.19	Year 6 Junior Citizen
26.02.19	Year 5 Maths Challenge
26.02.19	Parent-teacher meetings
27.02.19	Parent-teacher meetings

March 2019

06.03.19	Foundation & Year 6 Heights & Weights Measurements
07.03.19	Year 5 & 6 High 5 Netball at The Marlborough
13.03.19 – 15.03.19	Year 4 Hooke Court residential visit
20.03.19	Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby
21.03.19	Year 1 – 6 Gymnastics
29.03.19	Learning cards to go home

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2018/2019

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