

William Fletcher School

Dear Parents and Carers

Our children in years 5 and 6 are currently working on a project about the Victorians. As part of this work they visited the Steam Museum in Swindon where they learnt about the technology and science that was developed during the Victorian era and how this impacted upon the lives of people living in Britain. The visit brought an extra dimension to the children's learning, many thanks to the PTA who helped with the funding of this visit.



Monday this week marked the beginning of anti-bullying week, it was great to see the children really embracing the theme, wearing odd socks to school to indicate we are all different and all equal. Thank you to everyone who bought blue wrist bands for anti-bullying, proceeds to which will go to an anti-bullying charity.

Tomorrow the children are invited to come to school dressed in spots for Children in Need. We will be collecting £1 donations from the children which Children in need then use to support a number of charities and organisations who work with children and young people both locally and nationally.



Well done to everyone who baked and decorated a cake, there were some fabulous cakes and it was very hard to choose the winners. Congratulations to Jayden Year 5, Georgia Year 3, Charlie L Year 1 & Maximiliano in Foundation for winning the cake competition.

A reminder for all parents **that school will be closed for children on Monday 19th November as we have a staff training day.**

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

Our assembly theme for the month of November is Respect



Writer of the week – Milly in Year 1
 Mathematician of the week – Lyla, Aiden, Lucy & James In Year 4
 Reader of the week – Charlie in Year 1
 School Value – Declan in Year 4
 Building Learning Power – Connor in Year 5

Celebration of achievements

This week Bori in Year 6 and George, Isla, Oliver and Connor in Year 5 have been awarded their Bronze merit arrow. Archie S in Year 5 has been awarded his Silver merit arrow. Well done to them for successfully completing a range of activities to a high standard to be awarded their arrow badge.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 50 nights of reading at home: Annabel & Ava in Swallows. Zachary in Nightingales. Jovan, Riley, Luka, Anoushka & Emelia in Kingfishers. Kara, Mia and Dylan in Owls. Liam in Kestrels. Edward in Red Kites. Bori, Charlie, Callan, Maisy & Lucy in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home: Isaac, Beatriz & Nate in Kingfishers.

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 Red Kites for 99.29% attendance.

Class	Attendance for 05.11.18 – 09.11.18
Eagles	98.67%
Kestrel	98.52%
Kingfishers	94.55%
Nightingales	95.91%
Owls	97.31%
Peregrine Falcons	95%
Red Kites	99.29%
Robins	99.17%
Sky Larks	98.89%
Swallows	94.17%
Wrens	99.17%
Total	97.43%

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.

Christmas Dinner

On Friday 14th 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

Christmas Play Dates

11.12.18	Foundation Stage Christmas Performance - 2pm
12.12.18	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance - 2.00pm
12.12.18	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Performance - 5.00pm
12.12.18	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Performance - 6.30pm
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Christmas Play Tickets

The children and their teachers have begun rehearsing their Christmas plays, which is causing great excitement. We will be selling tickets for the plays during the week beginning 20th November from the school office, **entrance will be strictly ticket only** and the ticket must be presented on the door on the night. This is to comply with numbers following Health & Safety guidelines, **please note there is a limit per play**. It is on a first come first served basis. Tickets are £1.50 each purely to cover the cost of hiring lights and play licences.

- Foundation Stage has an initial allocation of two tickets per family.
- Key Stage 1 has an initial allocation of two tickets per family.
- Lower Key Stage 2 has an initial allocation of two tickets per family.
- Upper Key Stage 2 has an initial allocation of three tickets per family.

These initial tickets must all be claimed by Friday 23rd November 2018.

Any remaining tickets will then be available from the office on Monday 26th November. You can request these extra tickets beforehand on the slip below and these will be drawn out by lottery on Monday 26th November.

..... would like to request _____ extra tickets for
_____ performance on _____

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 are two non-uniform days and on each of these every child can wear his / her own clothes in exchange for bringing in a small gift suitable to be given to a parent. Then on the Christmas Shopping Day the children "go Christmas shopping" and are allowed to buy two gifts. 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.

Key dates:

Friday 7th December – non-uniform day in exchange for first gift

Friday 14th December – non-uniform day in exchange for a second gift

Wednesday 19th December – Christmas Shopping Day

Yarnton Pre-School Christmas Fun Day

On Saturday 24th November from 2pm – 3.30pm in Yarnton Village Hall. There will be Raffle, craft activities, stalls, refreshments, cakes and a visit from Santa. Entrance £1 for adults, children are free.

Forthcoming Dates

November 2018

16.11.18	Children in Need – wear your own clothes
19.11.18	Inset Day
28.11.18	Year 6 Big Sing
30.11.18	Flu Vaccination for Foundation Years 1,2,3,4 & 5

December 2018

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14.12.18	Non-uniform day in exchange for second gift
14.12.18	Christmas dinner
17.12.18	Year 6 Imps visit
18.12.18	Class Christmas parties
19.12.18	Christmas Shopping
21.12.18	Carol service
21.12.18	End of term 2