

## William Fletcher School

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another very active week at school. Our children in year 5 took part in a Street Dance workshop held at The Marlborough School. The children spent a morning with other year 5 children from our partnership schools learning a dance routine which they then performed to each other. The children spoke to the rest of the school about the workshop in our assembly, it was clear how much they had enjoyed the dance experience but also the opportunity to meet children from other schools.



We held a very successful Bake Sale on Friday, thank you to everyone in Years 5 and 6 who baked and sold the cakes. The sale raised £132 for PTA funds.

This week all of our children took part in the Maths Puzzle Day. The children played maths games and enjoyed a range of puzzle challenges. These puzzles built upon and extended the children's maths skills and knowledge.



Yesterday a group of children visited the Nursing Home to join with the residents to celebrate Harvest. The children read some Autumn poems and chatted with the residents.



Tomorrow is the last day of this half term, school will reopen on Tuesday 30th October. I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half term break.

Best Wishes

Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team

**Our assembly theme for the month of October is Justice**

Writer of the week – Lily-Mae in Year 5  
 Mathematician of the week – Cora In Year 2  
 Reader of the week – Maya in Year 5  
 School Value – Ava in Year 5  
 Building Learning Power – Reegan in Year 6



## **Celebration of achievements**

This week David, George, Ava, Tilly & Isabella in Year 5 have been awarded their Bronze 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 25 nights of reading at home: Charlie L, Annabel, Ava, Lily-Rose and Zachary L in Swallows. Yasmin, Joshua, Luka, Maisie & Selina in Kingfishers. Cerys, Anna & Josh in Nightingales. Oscar in Kestrels. Scarlett, Abby & James in Red Kites. Sophia, Annabel, Ava & Jack in Sky Larks. Alastair, Tianna, Millie, Reegan, Alexia, Charlie and William in Eagles.

## **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.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance for 08.10.18 - 12.10.18</b>
Eagles	99.33%
Kestrel	96.79%
Kingfishers	99.09%
Nightingales	96.82%
Owls	99.20%
Peregrine Falcons	96.50%
Red Kites	97.50%
Robins	98.75%
Sky Larks	100%
Swallows	97.92%
Wrens	95.83%
Total	97.92%

## **Parents Evening**

You would have received your Parents Evening letter. Can you please make sure you book your parents evening appointment as soon as possible, please see the letter for instructions on how to book online. If you are unable to book online please contact the school office.

## **Sponsored read**

We have all enjoyed the focus on reading and have received some lovely feedback from the children about their Ready Steady Read/Listen. Please remember to send in your sponsor money to school as soon as possible so we can find out how many free books Usborne will be donating us on top of your sponsor money! Our new library is going to look fabulous - full of new books for all our children to read. Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Brown, English Co-ordinator

## **Autumn Disco**

The PTA are organising the school disco which will be held on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Foundation/Key Stage 1 disco will be from 6.00 - 7.00pm, and Key Stage 2 disco will be from 7.15 - 8:30pm. Year 3 children may choose which they would like to attend. Entrance is £2 per child. The PTA will be selling hotdogs, drinks, sweets, tattoos and more. Fancy dress is optional. Please let the school office know if you are able to help at either disco.

## **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast club runs every day from 07:30 - 08:45 in the Howard Hillsdon building (old playgroup). 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.

## **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> and on the William Fletcher Primary School App.

## **Activity ideas for half-term....**

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Woodland Club at Cogges Farm, 10am -2pm. This session of Woodland Club is open to all ages and is a drop-in session. The mud kitchen will be set up and den building will be available. Autumnal activities include, making autumn crowns, conker snails and acorn & conker necklaces and toasting marshmallows on the fire. [www.cogges.org.uk](http://www.cogges.org.uk)

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Family Forest School at Blenheim Palace 10.30am - 3pm. (This also runs every Wednesday during term time.) If you have an annual pass or are visiting for the day, you can join in with sessions down by the lake free of charge. They are open to all ages and run from 10.30am -3pm. Take part in a range of activities and discover a secret world of minibeast safaris, tree climbing, forest craft, den building, and pond dipping.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October - Celebrate Double Ninth day with Snowflake Books at the Oxfordshire Museum, Woodstock. Discover the story behind Double Ninth day, the festival traditions and dance with the Dragon. 2-4pm, £2 per child / £5 per family. No booking required.

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October - Cogges Farm Pumpkin Day. (Check the website for timings.) Making pumpkin muffins on the fire. The mud kitchen will be all set up and ready to go. You can have a go at building a den. Check out the Cogges website for the daily activities during half term. [www.cogges.org.uk](http://www.cogges.org.uk)

## Forthcoming Dates

### October 2018

12.10.18	Learning Cards go home for review
15.10.18	Learning Cards to be returned to school
17.10.18	Parent & Child Maths Puzzle Evening
18.10.18	Year 3 & 4 Visit to Oxfordshire Museum
18.10.18	Cross Country for Years 3 – 6
<b>19.10.18</b>	<b>End of Autumn Term 1</b>
29.10.18	INSET Day
<b>30.10.18</b>	<b>Autumn Term 2 begins</b>
31.10.18	Individual Pupil Photos

### November 2018

05.11.18	Year 5 & 6 Hockey tournament
08.11.18	Year 5 & 6 Steam Museum
12.11.18	Parent Teacher Evening
13.11.18	Parent Teacher Evening
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

07.12.18	Non-uniform day in exchange for first gift
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
13.12.18	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance - 2.00pm
13.12.18	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Performance - 5.00pm
13.12.18	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Performance - 6.30pm
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