

William Fletcher School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week, children in year 5 took part in a Street Dance workshop with all of our partner primary schools at The Marlborough school in Woodstock. The children learnt a dance routine and then performed their dance to other year 5 children in our partnership. Dance is a good way to encourage children to be more active and our children certainly enjoyed the experience.



This week children in Foundation Stage learnt how to bake bread with our Chefs from Fresh Start. They all had a try at kneading the dough and most of the children enjoyed this experience! Thank you to our chefs Sam and Lucy for giving their time to enable this to happen.



Children in year 5 and 6 took part in a workshop led by staff from the Soldiers of Oxfordshire museum. The children learnt about rationing, evacuation, coping with air raids and much more. The children had the opportunity to dress up and act out various scenarios connected to World war II. The children listened well, they asked interesting questions and showed our visitor from the museum how keen they are to learn. We were all very proud of our older children.



Parent governor elections

We sent a letter to all parents asking for nominations for the parent-governor elections. Unfortunately, no one has put in a nomination. We are extending the period for nominations to Friday 9th February. If you would like any further information about being a parent governor, please do come and have a chat with me.

Oxford Brookes University is holding a fun, hands on science day for the whole family on Saturday 24th February. The event is free and details can be found on the following web link www.brookes.ac.uk/science-bazaar.

Best Wishes

Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team

Our assembly theme for the month of February is Compassion.



Writer of the week – Elise in Year 6
 Mathematician of the week – Olivia in Year 4
 Reader of the week – Iris in Year 2
 School Value person of the week – Callum B
 in Year 6
 Building Learning Power – William in Year 5
 Forest School - Mason L in Year 6



Celebration of achievements

This week Sophie, Karena, Luke, Maisee & Emily in Year 6 & Lily, Anisha, Katie & Scarlett in Year 5 have been awarded their silver merit arrow. Kaidie in Skylarks 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 50 nights of reading at home: Ava in Nightingales. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 75 nights of reading at home: Charlie H in Swallows. Esme & Mia in Kingfishers. Maisee in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 100 nights of reading at home: Elise & Peter in Nightingales. Susan in Kingfishers. Georgia & Emily in Swallows. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 125 nights of reading at home: Cora & Jasper in Swallows. Bori & Charlie in Skylarks. Lizzie in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 150 nights of reading at home: Samantha in Eagles.

Attendance

Arriving at school on time is very important for the children, it is often first thing in the morning when the day ahead is discussed and the children begin their first learning activities. If on the odd occasion your child is late for school they should enter the school via the school office where they will be registered. School begins at 8.45am and we aim to lock the school gate as soon after this as possible.

I need to aim to attend school 100% of the time.

The attendance teddy bear this week was awarded to Robins class for 100% attendance.

Class	Robins & Wrens attendance for 100% attendance 22.01.18 – 26.01.18
Eagles	95.16%
Kestrel	99.29%
Kingfishers	96.54%
Nightingales	95.93%
Owls	96.15%
Red Kites	98.52%

Robins	100%
Sky Larks	86.00%
Swallows	93.85%
Wrens	100.00%
Total	95.73%

Parking

It is disappointing that we continue to have reports of poor parking at drop off time and pick up time. Please can everyone who needs to collect their child by car park with consideration to the safety and welfare of pedestrians and not park on the white lines and in front of dropped curbs. Once again the police have been informed of parking issues around the school site and will be monitoring parking in our area.

Ignite Football

Ignite is running a football club for all ages that runs every Friday, from Friday 23rd February 2018 to Friday 23rd March from 3.00pm – 4.00pm on the school field. If the weather is bad the club will be held in the hall. The cost of the club is £4.00 per session (£20.00 for Term 4). If you wish your child to attend the club, please come to the office for a form by Monday 5th February 2018.

Forthcoming Dates

February 2018

02.02.18	Learning cards go home
06.02.18	Eagles Class Junior Citizen
09.02.18	Spring Term 1 ends
19.02.18	Spring Term 2 begins
21.02.18	Key Stage1 drama workshop
22.02.18	Year 5 & 6 Sports Hall Athletics
23.02.18	Red Kites start swimming lessons
27.02.18	Parent's evening
28.02.18	Parent's evening

March 2018

01.03.18	Year 5 & 6 High 5 Netball tournament
06.03.18	Year 5 & 6 Blenheim
07.03.18	Year 4 performing at Christ Church Cathedral
07.03.18	Heights & Weights foundation and year 6
14.03.18	Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby tournament
23.03.18	Learning cards go home
28.03.18	Oxon School Games Year 3 – 6
29.03.18	Spring Term 2 ends

April 2018

20.04.18	Kestrels start swimming
30.04.18	Class Photographs

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2017/2018

Term 3

Thursday 4th January to Friday 9th February

Term 4

Monday 19th February to Thursday 29th March

Term 5

Monday 16th April to Thursday 24th May
Friday 25th May INSET Day

Term 6

Monday 4th June to Tuesday 24th July
Wednesday 25th July INSET Day

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2018/2019

Term 1

Wednesday 5th September to Friday 19th October
Tuesday 4th September INSET DAY

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