

William Fletcher School

Dear Parents and Carers,

All of the children this week have been busy rehearsing for their school plays, the hall is in constant use with groups of children practising their lines or singing. I am sure that when play week begins we will all be well entertained by the children's hard work.

Yesterday our children in year 6 took part in the Christmas Big Sing in Oxford. The children performed a carol and then joined with other schools to sing. The sound was amazing and it was a marvellous opportunity for our children to take part in such a super concert. Many thanks to Mrs Phillips and Mr Myers for preparing the children for the concert and of course a very big thank you to the children who once again displayed enormous enthusiasm and energy.



Food reminder

We have children in school who have a severe nut allergy. Could all parents and carers please ensure their children do not come to school with nuts or nut products including peanut butter and Nutella sandwiches. Thank you for your continued support in helping us to keep everyone safe in school.

Next Friday (7th December) will be our first non-uniform day in exchange for a female Christmas gift. Christmas shopping takes place on Wednesday 19th December, if you are able to help with this then please let your child's class teacher know.

The PTA are busy preparing refreshments for the Christmas plays, we would greatly appreciate your help, this could be in the form of baking some cakes, donating a raffle prize or helping serve refreshments at one of the plays. All money raised by the PTA goes to supporting our children at school.

After school knitting club

In January we will be running an After School Knitting club for children in years 3 to 6. The sessions will be run by Steph Radda who works for an organisation called Knitting for All. The children will have the opportunity to learn this craft skill and use it as a form of mental relaxation. Sessions will run from Monday 14th January for six weeks and will cost £48. If you would like your child to attend please return the form sent out today to children in years 3 to 6.

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

Our assembly theme for the month of November is Respect



Writer of the week – Maggie in Year 3
Mathematician of the week – George In Year 5
Reader of the week – Callum in Year 2
School Value – Scarlet & Bori in Year 6
Building Learning Power – Charlie in Year 2

Celebration of achievements

This week Sophia in Year 5 has been awarded her Silver merit arrow. Annabel in Year 5 has been awarded her 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 75 nights of reading at home: Nathan L, Milly, Betsy & Jasper in Swallows. Riley in Kingfishers. Zachary D, Alissa, Cerys, Callum & Peter in Nightingales. Austin in Kestrels. Baran in Owls. Isla, Sophia, Archie, George & Thomas in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 50 nights of reading at home: Archie, Warren & Aaron in Nightingales. Oscar in Kestrels. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home: Cheya in Kingfishers. Nikola in Nightingales.

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 Nightingales for 100% attendance.

Class	Attendance for 20.11.18 – 23.11.18
Eagles	96.67%
Kestrel	98.15%
Kingfishers	93.75%
Nightingales	100.00%
Owls	99.04%
Peregrine Falcons	98.75%
Red Kites	97.32%
Robins	97.92%
Sky Larks	97.22%
Swallows	99.48%
Wrens	96.35%
Total	97.69%

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, please see Mrs Morris in the office by Friday 21st December 2018.

Second Hand Uniform Sale

On Tuesday 11th December Mrs Pink will be holding a second hand uniform sale along side the foodbank. Please can you check the lost property if you are missing items of school uniform before Monday 10th December. Thank you.

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 **by Tuesday 4th December**. 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
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Christmas Play Tickets

If you placed an order for reserve tickets, please collect them asap from Mrs Morris in the office.

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 female gift

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

Wednesday 19th December – Christmas Shopping Day. If anyone is free to help with the Christmas Shopping, could you please let Mrs Morris in the office know.

Yarnton Band Annual Concert

Yarnton Band are holding their annual concert on Saturday 1st December at Yarnton Village Hall from 7pm. Everyone is welcome and entrance is free. There will be refreshments on sale and a raffle!

Forthcoming Dates

December 2018

07.12.18	Non-uniform day in exchange for first gift
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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

January 2019

07.01.19	Term 3 begins
08.01.19	Founders day
24.01.19	Year 1 Dance at The Marlborough
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