

William Fletcher School

Dear Parents and Carers,

A group of children from our Article 12 committee had a very exciting day last Friday. They were invited to UNICEF House in London to meet with children from other Gold Rights Respecting Schools. The children gave a presentation on the ways in which pupils at William Fletcher learn about the UN Convention of Children's Rights and the work they have taken part in looking at how we can improve our environment in Yarnton. Mrs Lancaster and I were very proud of the children and the confident and assured way they represented our school.



This week a group of our talented artists in years 3 and 4 visited the church in Yarnton.

They looked at the stained-glass windows and then returned to school to use these observations to make their own art. Their work will be going on display in the school hall.



Our school council this term has been learning about sugar and how this affects health and wellbeing. They linked this with the booklet from Change4life which all of the children will be bringing home this week. Members of the school council gave a presentation to the rest of the school explaining how much sugar is recommended for each age group and some suggestions for lowering sugar intake. The school council hope you and your child will find the Change4life booklet useful.



We will be starting a new after school science club next term. If you would like your child to participate in this club you can find further information on the school app.

The PTA continue to work hard on behalf of our school community. They will be hosting a movie night for children on Friday 8th March. The movies are Sing or Hotel Transylvania III. If you would like your child to go, please go to the office to get your child's ticket. It is on a first come first served basis.

Best Wishes

Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team

Our assembly theme for the month of February is Thoughtfulness



Writer of the week – Madalyn in Year 5
Mathematician of the week – Ben in Year 3
Reader of the week – Charlie in Year 1
Building Learning Power – Percy in Year 2

Celebration of achievements

This week Sophia in Year 5 has been awarded her Gold merit arrow. Kai & Olivia in Year 5 have been awarded their 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 150 nights of reading at home: Oliver & Nancy in Swallows. Callum, Dora & Peter in Nightingales. Isabelle & George in Sky Larks. Reegan in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 125 nights of reading at home: Georgia, Isla & Nathan M in Swallows. Zachary in Nightingales. Emily in Kestrels. Maya in Peregrine Falcons. Maisy & Grace in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 100 nights of reading at home: Nate in Kingfishers. Warren in Nightingales. Georgia & Mia in Owls. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 50 nights of reading at home: Isobel in Kestrels. Millie in Eagles. Congratulations to the following child who has reached her 25 nights of reading at home: Sophia in Eagles.

Attendance

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

The attendance teddy bear this week was awarded to Peregrine Falcons for 98.50% attendance.

Class	Attendance for 04.02.19 – 08.02.19
Eagles	98.00%
Kestrel	97.41%
Kingfishers	98.18%
Nightingales	96.36%
Owls	97.69%
Peregrine Falcons	98.50%
Red Kites	93.93%
Robins	93.75%
Sky Larks	96.11%
Swallows	97.50%
Wrens	88.75%
Total	96.00%

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.

Ignite Holiday Club



Are you looking for ways in which to keep the children active and entertained during the holidays? Ignite Sport, who deliver lunchtime club, afterschool football and pe on Fridays at our school, will be offering holiday sports clubs in the local area. Children aged 4-12 can enjoy learning new skills, make new friends, develop techniques and play fun games and matches, with the emphasis on enjoyment in a safe and supervised environment. Info and booking - www.ignitesportuk.com



Juniors Football Training

Yarnton Blues Football Club - Juniors training session Starting in March.

YBFC are planning to start a training session for 5,6 & 7 year olds on Wednesdays @17:30.



The sessions will be run by a selection of the clubs existing managers and will run for 60 minutes. All Yarnton Blues managers are DBS checked, first aid trained and highly skilled, with many holding the FA Level 1 Coaching qualification.

This is an excellent opportunity to get your child involved with the club at an early age. The club is always looking out for new players to join the teams which play in the Witney and District Youth Football League (WDYFL) throughout the season.

Note: Football boots and shin pads are recommended.

The first session will take place on **Wednesday 6th March @17:30** at Yarnton Park off Rutten lane.

**The sessions will be free during March.

If you would like to reserve a place please contact the club secretary James Finnigan via email (james.finnigan2@ntlworld.com).

Head lice

We have cases of head lice within school. Please can we ensure that **EVERY PARENT** checks their child's hair tonight and on a regular basis? If everyone got into the habit of daily combing then this would help to prevent the lice getting a 'stranglehold'!! We also would like to re-iterate the importance of children with longer hair having it tied back, as the less hair that is 'flying about' the less chance there is for the lice to pass from one child to another. Please see link below for further advice from the NHS:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/#>

Forthcoming Dates

February 2019

15.02.19	End of term 3
25.02.19	Term 4 begins
26.02.19	Year 5 Maths Challenge
26.02.19	Parent-teacher meetings
27.02.19	Parent-teacher meetings
28.02.19	Year 6 Junior Citizen
28.02.19	Year 1 Dance at The Marlborough School

March 2019

01.03.19	Year 1 Dance at The Marlborough School
06.03.19	Foundation & Year 6 Heights & Weights Measurements
08.03.18	PTA Movie Night
07.03.19	Year 5 & 6 High 5 Netball at The Marlborough
13.03.19 – 15.03.19	Year 4 Hooke Court residential visit
13.03.19	Foundation Stage and KS1 Little Red Riding Hood
15.03.18	Winter Games for Comic Relief
20.03.19	Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby
29.03.19	Learning cards to go home
29.03.19	Year 4 cake sale
April 2019	
01.04.19	Learning cards returned
05.04.19	End of Term 4
23.04.19	Term 5 begins
26.04.19	Curriculum letters go home
26.04.19	PTA School Disco
29.04.19	Class photographs
May 2019	
01.05.19	May Day Dancing
09.05.19	Year 3 & 4 Tennis
16.05.19	Year 3 & 4 Tennis
17.05.19	Year 5 & 6 Swimming Gala
21.05.19	Year 5 & 6 Tennis
22.05.19	Year 2 Ultra Olympics
23.05.19	End of Term 5
24.05.19	Inset Day

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2018/2019

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

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2019/2020

Tuesday 3rd September to Friday 25th October

Monday 2nd September INSET DAY

Term 2

Monday 4th November to Friday 20th December

Term 3

Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February

Term 4

Monday 24th February to Friday 3rd April

Term 5

Monday 20th April to Thursday 21st May
Friday 22nd May INSET Day