

William Fletcher School

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another very busy time at William Fletcher, it is true that at our school every day is different!

Our year 4 children returned from their residential visit last week with suitcases full of dirty clothes having spent three days learning actively about archaeology. The children took part in a range of activities including working on a dig in Dorset where they looked for evidence of a Tudor house. We all had a super time, the children worked well together and enjoyed taking small steps to being more independent – though many still need to work on making their own beds! I am grateful to my colleagues Miss Coulson, Mrs Chambers and Mrs Yaxley who also took part in the visit, we are fortunate that our staff give so generously of their time to support our children.



The year 3 children took part in an art visit to Blenheim Palace where they looked at the early paintings of Turner. As we are a Blenheim partner school there was no cost for the children to enter the palace and the PTA paid for the coach travel for all of the children. The children all enjoyed looking in the place and running up to the monument.

All of our children this week took part in a whole school Winter Games session. The children participated in a range of events winning points for their house team. Everyone performed to the best of their abilities and older children helped and encouraged our younger children.



Next week on Friday 29th March the year 4 children will be holding a cake sale to raise money for the PTA. If your child is in year 4 can we ask that you bake with your child next week and that all donations of cakes be brought into your child's class. If the weather is fine we will hold the sale on the playground at

3.00pm, if it is raining then we will be in the hall. If you are able to help with selling the cakes please see your child's class teacher.

Best Wishes

Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team

Our assembly theme for the month of March is Trust



Writer of the week - Georgia in Year 1
Mathematician of the week - Callum in Year 6
Reader of the week - Eliza in Year 5
Building Learning Power - Jacob in Year 6

Celebration of achievements

This week Brendon & Isabella in Year 5 have been awarded their Gold 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 child who has reached her 200 nights of reading at home: Lucy in Owls. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 175 nights of reading at home: Nathan L in Swallows. Riley in Kingfishers. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 150 nights of reading at home: Selina in Kingfishers. Liam & Cherry in Kestrels. Maya in Peregrine Falcons. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 125 nights of reading at home: Emelia & Claire in Kingfishers. Georgia in Owls. Ben in Kestrels. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 100 nights of reading at home: Zara & Orla in Kestrels. Niamh in Peregrine Falcons. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 50 nights of reading at home: Zachary in Swallows. Jack in Red Kites.

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 Owls for 99.23% attendance.

Class	Attendance for 11.03.19 - 14.03.19
Eagles	95.67%
Kestrel	98.15%
Kingfishers	98.18%
Nightingales	98.18%
Owls	99.23%
Peregrine Falcons	96.50%

Red Kites	96.43%
Robins	99.13%
Sky Larks	96.47%
Swallows	99.17%
Wrens	98.33%
Total	97.76%

STEM Partnership Grant

This year, the School has been awarded a STEM Partnership Grant from the Royal Society in collaboration with the archaeologists from the University of Oxford. On Thursday 4th of April at 3.15pm we are holding a short meeting in the hall for parents with children in years 3-6 to provide some more information about this programme. Dr Pete Hommel from the School of Archaeology will be coming along to explain what the children will be doing. Please come along if you can!

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.

Lego Club

If you would like your child to attend Lego Club in Term 5 or Term 6 can you please let Mrs Morris in the office know.

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.

Charity Quiz Night in aid of Prostate Cancer UK

Mr Coffey (dad of Niamh and Orla) is running a charity quiz night at the Royal British Legion on Friday 29th March in aid of Prostate Cancer UK. £5.00 per person, doors open at 7pm with the quiz starting at 7.45pm. Teams minimum of 2 members and maximum of 8 members. Please contact b.coffey77@me.com or 07976632894 to register interest.

Nursing Home Road

Can you please ensure you do not use or park on the nursing home road, when you drop off and collect your children, as this prevents the emergency services vehicles access.

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

Drop-in sessions

All parents and carers are welcome to come for a Wednesday morning coffee/tea and snack in the Howard Hillsdon Room. There is a different topic each week. These include ways to help support your child's learning at school, parenting advice and information & support about a wide range of things such as safety, maths, reading, mindfulness and after school clubs.

Come along every other Wednesday from 8.45am onwards.

Upcoming dates;

- 3rd April- Easter activities
- 24th April- Maths

Why come to a drop-in session?

- meet other parents
- chat to your friends
- learn something new
- feel involved and up to date
- support your child's learning

Wednesday mornings are always fun and very informal. Toddlers and babies are most welcome. There is lots of time to ask questions, share experiences and find out what is happening in school. Mums, Dads, carers, Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles are ALL welcome!

Yarnton Parish Council.

An election for 10 parish councillors will take place on Thursday 2nd May 2019. Forms to nominate yourself are now available, closing date Wednesday 3rd April. If you're interested and would like more information or a nomination form please contact Lynne at yarntonparishcouncil@gmail.com, 01865 378476, visit the parish council office Mondays or Thursdays between 9 and 11am or talk to one of the current parish councillors.



Yarnton Blues FC Training Sessions

Yarnton Blues Football Club – U6, U7, U8 training sessions. YBFC are running training sessions for 5,6 & 7 year olds on Wednesdays evenings.

Note: Football boots and shin pads are recommended, as are warm clothes (at the moment) and a drink.

The sessions take place on Wednesdays from 17:30 at Yarnton Park off Rutten lane. There is an U8 session for the 7-year olds starting from 18:30.

**The sessions will be free during March.

If you would like more information please contact the club secretary James Finnigan via email (james.finnigan2@ntlworld.com).



Lost Property

Amelie in Sky Larks has lost her school cardigan which is labelled. A child has also lost a black puffer jacket. Please check that your child has not taken the wrong cardigan home by mistake.

Forthcoming Dates

March 2019

27.03.19 Sky Larks trip to Thames Water Treatment
28.03.19 Eagles trip to Thames Water Treatment
29.03.19 Learning cards to go home
29.03.19 Year 4 cake sale

April 2019

01.04.19 Learning cards returned
03.04.19 Peregrine Falcons trip to Thames Water Treatment
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 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

Term 6

Monday 1st June to Friday 17th July

Friday 3rd July INSET Day

Monday 20th July INSET Day

Tuesday 21st July INSET Day