

Dear Parents and Carers,



Thank you to everyone who took part in the Children in Need activities last week. It was great to see so many of our children supporting this charity. We had lots of entries to the cupcake competition, so many that we had two cake sales! Over the week we collected £336 which I am sure will be put to very good use by the charity.



This week our children in years 3-6 took part in a special assembly led by Police officer Sergeant Fogg and representatives of Network rail. The assembly was about keeping yourself safe near railway lines and at railway stations. I do hope the children have talked to you about this, if not then please do ask them, they all learnt some interesting information! Our children in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 all had some time with Sergeant Fogg looking at the police car he very kindly brought to school and parked on the school playground. I am very grateful to Sergeant Fogg and Network rail for their time in supporting our children at WF.



Students from the Marlborough School visited WF this week to lead some football coaching sessions for our children. Everyone enjoyed the experience and it was good to see older students taking on leadership roles.

### Staffing news

Miss Parsons will be returning to work from maternity leave in January and will work 2.5 days, she will work in Skylark class, Swallow class and Wren class covering teachers PPA time and Senior Leadership Management time. You may well see Miss Parsons in school this term as she is working in Skylark class on Thursdays covering Mrs Brown's management time.

I am delighted that Mr Austin (who has been covering Miss Parson's maternity leave) will continue in his role as Key Stage 1 Team Leader and Class teacher in Swallow class.

We were fortunate to have two students from Flair Dance School perform for Key Stage 2 last week. They performed a spectacular contemporary dance for us which all of the children very much enjoyed watching.



On **Friday 29th November** we will be holding our first collection of gifts for our Christmas Shopping, please see information about this event further on in the newsletter.

Kind regards

**Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team**

**Our assembly theme for the month of November is Freedom**



Writer of the week – Percy in Year 3  
Mathematician of the week – Saeesha in Year 4  
Reader of the week – Ethan in Year 2  
School Value – Sam in Year 6  
Building Learning Power – Daisy in Year 6

### **Celebration of achievements**

This week Isabella T in Year 5 has been awarded her Bronze merit arrow. Well done to her for successfully completing a range of activities to a high standard to be awarded her arrow badge.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 75 nights of reading at home: Dexter, Ruby & Josh in Nightingales. Riley in Kingfishers. Betsy, Zara, Peter & Percy in Kestrels. Toby, Orhan, Nell, Esme, Daisy, Claire & Becca in Owls. Jemima in Red Kites. Baran and Lyla P in Peregrine Falcons. Pauline in Skylarks. Sebastian in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 50 nights of reading at home: Cerys in Nightingales. Emily & Maisie in Kingfishers. Jude & Corey in Swallows. Elise, Zach & Maggie in Kestrels. Lily Rose in Owls. Iris & Eva in Red Kites. Ethan in Skylarks. Sebastian in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home: Bethany & Sebastian in Kestrels. Edgar in Red Kites. Archie R in Skylarks.

### **Play Equipment**

Before and after school could we please ask that you do not allow your children to go on the school climbing frames. This is because at these times of the day the play equipment is not supervised by a member of staff.

### **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 Red Kites for 100% attendance.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance for 11.11.19 – 15.11.19</b>
Eagles	98.85%
Kestrel	96.00%
Kingfishers	95.56%

Nightingales	96.76%
Owls	97.86%
Peregrine Falcons	95.00%
Red Kites	100%
Sky Larks	98.40%
Swallows	95.36%
Wrens	92.58%
Total	96.53%

### 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.

### 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 £4.00 per child starting at 07:30 and £3.50 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.

### School Library

From today Anna Isles will be in the library every Thursday from 3-3.30pm so that children can attend with parents to return and choose new books.

### Yarnton Youth Netball Girls Club

There is a new Netball club starting in September for children aged 11 – 17 years old, on Tuesday evenings from 6:15 – 7:15, on the hardcourt in the playfield. Sessions are free in September and October. For more information please email: [yarntonyouthnetball@gmail.com](mailto:yarntonyouthnetball@gmail.com)

### Key Stage 2 children Viola and Cello Lessons

Oxfordshire Music Service hold viola and cello lessons at our school, during the day on Thursdays and there are spaces available. If you would like your child to sign up please follow the link below:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/music-service/music-lessons/learning-instrument>.

### Christmas Dinner

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> 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. The cost is £2.30 per child in Key Stage 2 and is free for Foundation and Key Stage 1 pupils

### Christmas Play Dates

10.12.19

Foundation Stage Christmas Performance - 2pm

11.12.19

Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance – 2.00pm

11.12.19	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Performance – 5.00pm
11.12.19	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Performance – 7.00pm
12.12.16	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance – 2.00pm
12.12.19	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Performance – 5.00pm
12.12.19	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Performance – 7.00pm

### Christmas Play Tickets

Christmas play tickets are on sale now, **entrance will be strictly ticket only** and the ticket must be presented on the door. This is to comply with Health & Safety guidelines.

Each child in years 1 to 6, has been allocated two tickets. **You must pick up your allocated tickets by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November as they will go on sale for other people to purchase on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December.**

Parents who would like additional tickets may purchase spare tickets when they become available on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**, these will be sold on a 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> served basis.

**Children who are in reception** each child has been allocated 4 tickets per child.

Tickets cost £2.00 each, money collected goes towards paying for the hiring of lights and play licences.

### 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 29<sup>th</sup> November** – non-uniform day in exchange for first gift

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – non-uniform day in exchange for a second gift

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Shopping Day

### Forthcoming Dates

#### November 2019

22.11.19	Flu vaccination Foundation & Year 1,2,3,4,5 & 6
28.11.19	Boccia U11
29.11.19	Non-uniform day in exchange for first gift

#### December 2019

02.12.19 – 06.12.19	Glasbury Year 6
10.12.19	Foundation Stage Christmas Performance - 2pm
11.12.19	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance – 2.00pm
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13.12.19	Learning cards go home
13.12.19	Non-uniform day in exchange for second gift
16.12.19	Learning cards returned
17.12.19	Christmas shopping day
18.12.19	Class Christmas parties
19.12.19	School Christmas dinner
19.12.19	End of term 2

### **William Fletcher School Term Dates 2019/2020**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September INSET DAY

#### **Term 2**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November to Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

#### **Term 3**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Term 4**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

#### **Term 5**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April to Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May INSET Day

#### **Term 6**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July INSET Day

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July INSET Day

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July INSET Day