

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are coming to the end of term 1 and the weeks seem to have flashed by! In school we have been very pleased with the children and how they have returned to school, full of enthusiasm for learning and keen to be with friends. This makes for a calm and thriving school community. Thank you for your continued support for the school and all that we strive to achieve with the children.

Our classes in years 3 and 4 in their history sessions have been learning about Anglo-Saxons. They have learnt about the structure of Anglo-Saxon homes and materials used to build them in this period of history; children then used this knowledge to build their own model homes.



Children have also been exploring how the Anglo-saxons used weaving to make cloth. They have enjoyed learning to weave themselves.

Two children from our newly formed school Arts Council visited Blenheim Palace this week to view the Cecily Brown exhibition. The children have written a short article about Cecily Brown which we will published shortly on our school website.

We are planning to organise a further visit to Blenheim for our children in years 3 and 4 after the half-term break.



We have signed up to Street Tag, which is organised by Oxfordshire County Council. We can have 250 members on our team, currently we have only 13! So please do sign up. Street Tag records the number of virtual tags you meet as you walk, cycle or run anywhere in the country. Each time you meet a Tag, points are added to our team which then goes on to the School Teams Leader Board. We are currently 17th out of 27. At the end of each term the winning school wins a prize. I do hope you will be able to sign up with your children and enjoy taking part. Information about taking part can be found here:

www.streettag.co.uk



Our parent-teacher discussions will take place remotely by video after the half-term break. The office will send out an email with instructions inviting you to sign up. The weblink is: <https://williamfletcher.schoolcloud.co.uk/>, if you do not want to meet by video then there is an option to have a phone call with your child's class teacher to discuss your child's progress. Please complete the online form asap.



We will be collecting for the Royal British Legion Poppy appeal again this year, children are not able to come to the office, so we will take the box to the children tomorrow, Monday 2nd November and Tuesday 3rd November.



I do hope you all have an enjoyable half-term break and look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 2nd November.

Kind regards

Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team

Our assembly theme for the month of October is Justice



Writer of the week – Joshua in Year 3
 Mathematician of the week – Frankie in Year 4
 Reader of the week – Riley in Year 3
 School Value – Kyron in Year 4



Celebration of achievements

This week Daisy, Lilly, Nell, Becca and Olivia in Year 5, Holly, Chanelle, Tristan, Grace H, James & Archie R in Year 6 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: Nate, Claire, Milly, Riley & Finley in Owls. Daisy, Nell, Srishti, Baran, Charlie, Saesha & Susan in Peregrine Falcons. Isobel, Abby, Grace H & Georgia in Skylarks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home. Jacob, Alex P, Henry, Ben & Joshua in Kingfishers. Nathaniel in Nightingales. Gabriel, Arthur, Jack, Daisy, Thor & Hannah in Swallows. Josh & Justin in Red Kites. Isabella T in Eagles. James in Skylarks.

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.

Class	Attendance for 12.10.20 – 16.10.20
Eagles	97.41%
Kestrel	99.13%
Kingfishers	95.11%
Nightingales	99.62%
Owls	98.75%
Peregrine Falcons	100%
Red Kites	100%

Robins	98.51%
Sky Larks	96.99%
Swallows	99.27%
Wrens	99.50%
Total	98.52%

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.

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 £5.00 per child. If you would like your children to take part in breakfast club, **please see the staff in the office to book prior to attendance, the office is now taking bookings for Term 2.**

Tempest Photographs

You should have now received an email from Tempest with your child's photograph on, **if you have not received one**, please let the school office know.

PTA Halloween Competition

This year the PTA is running a Halloween Competition. Your entry can be anything from pumpkin carving, cake decorating, house decorating to painting a picture. It is free entry and the prize is a £10 gift card. This is not a fundraising activity it is just for fun. Entries are to be sent via a photo to the PTA email address williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com Please quote your child's name and class name. Closing date: Tuesday 3rd November.

Play Equipment

Before and after school could we please ask that you do not allow your children to go on the school climbing frames.

Fresh Start Meal Manager

Next term Fresh Start are offering hot meals, you can order your child's food now. The order deadline for the first week of half term is Tuesday 27th October 2020.

Kidlington Youth Football Club

Kidlington Youth Football Club are looking for players to join a new Under 10's boys team. If you are interested or would like further information please contact Matt Williams on mwilliams0682@icloud.com or 07495127690.

Forthcoming Dates

October 2020

23.10.20

Autumn Term 1 ends

November 2020

02.11.20

Autumn Term 2 Starts

09.11.20

Parent Teacher Discussions

10.11.20

Parent Teacher Discussions

13.11.20

Flu Vaccine for all years

20.11.20

Unicef World Children's Day

24.11.20

INSET Day

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2020/2021

Term 1

Wednesday 2nd September to Friday 23rd October

Tuesday 1st September INSET Day

Term 2

Monday 2nd November to Friday 18th December

Tuesday 24th November INSET Day

Term 3

Monday 4th January to Friday 12th February

Term 4

Monday 22nd February to Wednesday 31st March

Term 5

Monday 19th April to Friday 28th May

Term 6

Monday 7th June INSET

Tuesday 8th June to Tuesday 20th July

Wednesday 21st July INSET Day

Thursday 22nd July INSET Day