

Dear Parents and Carers,

Everyone in school enjoyed taking part in Red Nose Day activities last Friday. Mr Lister, with a puppet dog called Sir Barksalot, led a school joke telling session which had everyone in stitches; we are all looking forward to their next appearance! The children also took part in class Wacky Races which involved the children running in their house teams in some very entertaining races. The house team winners were Windrush, the Green team.



Many thanks to everyone who was able to make a donation to the Comic Relief Charity, we raised £202 which will go towards the many community initiatives around the UK and in other parts of the world.

Last Friday our children also met virtually with our partner school in India for the first time. Both schools will be working with the organisation A Future Without Waste identifying how we can reduce waste in our communities. This first meeting was a getting to know you session with the children asking each other questions about school life and their environmental concerns. We were enthralled to hear about the newly built city where the children live and their concerns for the tiger population in India. We are all looking forward to our next virtual meeting and working on our joint project together.

When we return to school after the Easter break we will be celebrating World Earth Day which falls on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. Part of this initiative will involve all classes making class planters which they will look after over the coming weeks in preparation for a school garden celebration in late June / July. If you have any spare seeds, seedlings, planters that you would like to donate to school we would be very grateful to receive them!

We break up for the Easter holidays on Wednesday 31st March and begin the new term on Monday 19th April. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support through what has been the most challenging of times. On behalf of the staff and Governors, I wish you all a Happy Easter and hope you have a restful break.

With best wishes

Deborah Nind and the WF team

**Our assembly theme for the month of March is Trust**

### **Celebration of achievements**

This week Olivia in Year 5 & Holly, Tristan & Scarlet 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 200 nights of reading at home: Peter in Kestrels. Alissa in Red Kites. Becka, Saeesha, Srishti, Zara, Daisy, Baran & Nell

in Peregrine Falcons. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 175 nights of reading at home: Felicity in Swallows. Alissa in Red Kites. Charlotte, Maggie & Georgia in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 150 nights of reading at home: Nikodem, Jaya & Leah in Nightingales. Gabriel in Swallows. Luka & Ethan C in Red Kites. Isobel in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 125 nights of reading at home: Esme in Swallows. Ava & Dora in Kestrels. Ethan C & Luka in Red Kites. Scarlet & Emily in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 100 nights of reading at home: Cerys in Kestrels. Aaron & Claudia in Red Kites. Archie S in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 75 nights of reading at home: Tegan, Phoebe & Nathaniel in Nightingales. Emeran in Swallows. Congratulations to the following child who has reached her 50 nights of reading at home: Anoushka in Red Kites. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home: Beatriz & Isaac 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.

Class	Attendance for 15.03.21 – 19.03.21
Eagles	99.26%
Kestrel	97.39%
Kingfishers	97.60%
Nightingales	97.78%
Owls	97.08%
Peregrine Falcons	94.64%
Red Kites	99.00%
Robins	99.04%
Sky Larks	100%
Swallows	99.29%
Wrens	100%
Total	98.22%

### A Reminder about Food in School

Can you please make sure your child doesn't bring any food to school containing nuts, this includes Nutella. This is because that we have a number of children in school with nut allergies and we need to ensure that everyone stays safe.

### PTA Easter Challenge

We challenge the children at William Fletcher to be creative over the Easter holidays whether it be bonnet decorating, lego building, cake decorating, egg hunt or anything else! If you'd like to share your creation with us please send to [williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com) or tag us on our Facebook page William Fletcher School PTA.

### Yarnton Youth Netball

Summer netball sessions. Open to boys and girls in years 5 & 6 from William Fletcher School. Training for the summer term will be Wednesdays after school 3:15-4:00 on the hard court on Rutten Lane. If you're interested in your child taking part please email [yarntonyouthnetball@gmail.com](mailto:yarntonyouthnetball@gmail.com) for more details.

## **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 next term.**

## **Forthcoming Dates**

### **March 2021**

17.03.21 Year 5 & 6 Chance to Shine Cricket  
24.03.21 Year 5 & 6 Chance to Shine Cricket  
31.03.21 Year 5 & 6 Chance to Shine Cricket  
31.03.21 Spring Term 4 ends

### **April 2021**

19.04.21 Summer Term 5 begins  
23.04.21 Curriculum Map and Class Newsletters go home

## **William Fletcher School Term Dates 2020/2021**

### **Term 4**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February to Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March

### **Term 5**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May

### **Term 6**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June INSET

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

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July INSET Day

## **William Fletcher School Term Dates 2021/2022**

### **Term 1**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September INSET Day

### **Term 2**

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November INSET Day

### **Term 3**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February

### **Term 4**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April

### **Term 5**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

### **Term 6**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June INSET

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