

Dear Parents and Carers,

Finally, the sun is out and it is beginning to feel that the summer might be arriving. I know that many of you and the children are looking forward to the half-term break next week so fingers crossed the better weather stays with us!

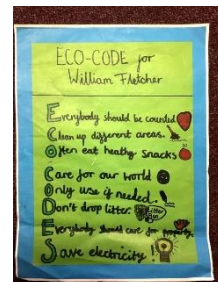
We have been asked to continue to support with Track and Trace over the holiday period. If your child develops COVID symptoms and they subsequently test positive with the virus, please email the school office: office.2354@william-fletcher.oxon.sch.uk We will then support with notifying possible contacts your child will have had in school.

Thank you to everyone who has continued to follow the health guidelines around the virus. We have a number of staff and parents who have not yet had either of their vaccinations, so I appreciate your support in adhering to the guidelines of "Hands, Face, Space". Further guidance from the Government to schools is expected to be published on 14th June when we will again review our school COVID risk assessment. Hopefully it will allow us to begin to lift some of the restrictions we are currently working under.

Our children continue to enjoy their running on our school track, aiming to cover the distance from Yarnton to Tokyo before the start of the Olympic games! We would greatly appreciate your help in sponsoring the children for their run. All money raised will be split between the school PTA and the charity UNICEF. A Just Giving Page has been set up by the PTA and can be accessed here: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/tokyoherewecome>

ECO COMPETITION

The ECO Committee are inviting you to take part in a competition to create a new ECO Code for our school. This year we have been thinking about Biodiversity around our school, our role in Global Citizenship working with partnership schools around the world and we have been focusing on Healthy Living, including keeping fit and healthy and looking after our mental wellbeing. If you would like to be creative and celebrate these ideas with a catchy poster, song, poem or ECO character please submit your entry into the ECO Committee by Friday 11th June. The chosen entry will then be displayed and shared with the whole school as our new ECO code.



I hope you all enjoy the Half-term break, A reminder that Monday 7th is a school INSET day, so we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 8th June.

With Kind Regards

Deborah Nind and the WF team

Our assembly theme for the month of May is Understanding/Wisdom



Writer of the week – Joshua in Year 2
 Mathematician of the week – Frankie in Year 4
 Reader of the week – Joseph in Year 5
 School Value – Thor in Year 2
 BLP of the week – Milly in Year 3

Celebration of achievements

This week Archie S in Year 5 and Alfie C in Year 6 have been awarded their Silver merit arrow. Emily S in Year 5 and Abby in Year 6 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 children who have reached their 200 nights of reading at home: Maxim & Daisy in Swallows. Congratulations to the following child who has reached her 175 nights of reading at home: Ava in Eagles. Congratulations to the following child who has reached his 150 nights of reading at home: Oscar in Peregrine Falcons. Congratulations to the following child who has reached her 125 nights of reading at home: Evie in Nightingales. Congratulations to the following child who has reached his 100 nights of reading at home: Freddy in Eagles.

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 24.05.21 – 28.05.21
Eagles	96.15%
Kestrel	99.12%
Kingfishers	98.40%
Nightingales	95.90%
Owls	99.20%
Peregrine Falcons	94.81%
Red Kites	100%
Robins	100%
Sky Larks	100%
Swallows	98.54%
Wrens	94.23%
Total	97.81%

Yarnton Playing Fields Committee - Facilities for children in the village

Yarnton Playing Fields Committee are currently looking for volunteers to get involved in a project to refurbish and improve the facilities available for children and adults in the village. If you would like to find out more about getting involved, please email yarntonplayingfields@outlook.com. The committee meet on the 3rd Monday of every month at 8.00 pm, you are welcome to join them to hear more what they already do in the Yarnton Playing Fields Management Committee and how to get involved.

Step 2 Dance

On 13th May our children in Key Stage 1 enjoyed participating in dance workshops led by a local dance teacher from Step 2 Dance. If you would like the company's details, please see below: Step 2 Dance, Worton Park, Cassington, OX29 4SY, info@step2dance.co.uk, tel: 07803954363.

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 for more details.

Yarnton Blues FC U9s (September 2021)

Yarnton Blues Football Club – U9s are looking for players for next season (starting September 2021). If your child will still be aged 8 on August 31st 2021 and would be interested in joining the team, we have spaces available at the moment.

Training sessions take place on Wednesdays at 17:30 at Yarnton Park, off Rutten lane.

****Note:** Football boots or astros, and shin pads required.

If you would like more information please contact the club secretary James Finnigan via email (secretary@yarnton-blues.co.uk).

Junior Touch Rugby

Junior touch rugby is back! Come and give this minimal contact form of rugby a try. This is for anyone over the age of 9, boy or girl, no experience necessary.

Wednesday evenings starting 21st April, 6-7pm. See flyer on the app for more info or contact kate@oxfordtouch.co.uk

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 this term.**

Forthcoming Dates

May 2021

28.05.21 Term 5 ends

June 2021

07.06.21 INSET DAY

08.06.21 Term 6 starts

July 2021

09.07.21 Reports go home

12.07.21 – 14.07.21 Year 4 Hooke Court

20.07.21 Term 6 ends

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2020/2021

Term 5

Monday 19th April to Friday 28th May

Term 6

Tuesday 8th June to Tuesday 20th July

Monday 7th June INSET

Wednesday 21st July INSET Day

Thursday 22nd July INSET Day

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2021/2022

Term 1

Thursday 2nd September to Friday 22nd October

Wednesday 1st September INSET Day

Term 2

Tuesday 2nd November to Friday 17th December

Monday 1st November INSET Day

Term 3

Tuesday 4th January to Friday 18th February

Term 4

Monday 28th February to Friday 8th April

Term 5

Monday 25th April to Friday 27th May

Term 6

Tuesday 7th June to Wednesday 20th July

Monday 6th June INSET

Thursday 21st July INSET Day