

Dear Parents and Carers,



Last week, four of our older children took part in a Play Leader Workshop held at The Marlborough School. They joined other children from our partnership schools and learnt how to lead playground games. They will be using this learning back at William Fletcher by sharing their skills with the rest of the children in their classes and leading play sessions at breaktimes with children in Key Stage 1. The older children will benefit from the activities

by developing their skills in leading and the younger children will enjoy playing with the older children.



All of our children in year 6 took part in a Maths Challenge held at Magdalen College School in Oxford. The children worked in teams solving maths puzzles and problems. The children enjoyed their day, they worked in teams, so as well as thinking about maths they were also practising important skills in team work, including listening to each other and building upon each other's ideas.



We are very fortunate at William Fletcher to have a group of hard-working governors who support the school leadership team and teachers to be the best they can be. At the end of last term Hannah Battye one of our parent governors resigned her position due to work commitments. Helen Yaxley one of our teaching assistants and our longest serving governor stepped down as her term of office came to an end. I would like to express my gratitude to both Helen and Hannah for the time, commitment and energy they have given to William Fletcher over the years. We will be holding parent-governor elections shortly so do please look out for this in the next couple of weeks. If you are interested in becoming a school governor please either speak to me or to Trish Amesbury, our Chair of Governors.

Harvest Festival is on Monday next week, please send your child with a tin or packet of food which is in date. The children will take their offerings of food to the church on Monday and take part in our school Harvest festival celebrations. If you would like to help with walking the children to church on Monday, please speak to your child's class teacher.

**Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team**

**Our assembly theme for the month of October is Courage**



Writer of the week – Sonny in Year 5  
 Mathematician of the week – Arthur in Year 2  
 Reader of the week – Isabelle in Year 2  
 School Value – Leah-Kate in Year 5  
 Building Learning Power – Finley in Year 3

### **Celebration of achievements**

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home: Georgia & Milly in Swallows. Iris & Dexter in Nightingales. Zara, Ben, Emily, Maggie, Percy, Aashir, Peter, Betsy, Archie & Alex in Kestrels. Esme, Daniel, Jovan, Kyron, Grace, Toby, Daisy, Olivia, Claire, Becka, Nell, Theo & Lilly in Owls. Claudia, Iris, Nathan, Olly, Emilie, Maisie, Yasmin, Cora & Saesha in Red Kites. Rory, Corey, Max, Declan & Honey in Peregrine Falcons. Abby in Sky Larks. Lucy, Lyla, Eliza, Mia, Ava, Ross, Jack, Austin & Olivia 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.

The attendance teddy bear this week was awarded to Swallows & Owls for 99.29% attendance.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance for 23.09.19 – 27.09.19</b>
Eagles	94.62%
Kestrel	96.80%
Kingfishers	92.96%
Nightingales	95.71%
Owls	97.14%
Peregrine Falcons	93.85%
Red Kites	94.17%
Sky Larks	95.00%
Swallows	95.71%
Wrens	96.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>95.22%</b>

### **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.

### **Aldi's Kit for Schools**

We are collecting the Team GB stickers from Aldi. If you have any stickers, please hand them in to the school office where we have a poster to complete to receive a sports kit and a chance to win £20,000.

### **Cake Sale**

Peregrine Falcons will be holding a cake sale after school on Friday 11th October out on the playground (or if it's raining, in the hall). We would appreciate as many cake and bake donations as possible to sell. Please don't bring in anything that contains nuts . Thank you.

### **St Bartholomew Church Service**

NEW monthly All age breakfast service. 9.30am-c. 10.30am Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October . St Bartholomew's Church. A simple , informal gathering exploring the theme of Harvest. Suitable for children and families. A simple breakfast will be available from 9.30am with coffee and croissants. Future dates: 6/10; 3/11; 1/12”

### **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

### **Gosford All Blacks (GAB) Touch Rugby**

Junior touch rugby at Gosford All Blacks starts back on Wednesdays in September, for all children aged 8 and up from 6.30-7.30pm. For more info email: [kate@oxfordtouch.co.uk](mailto:kate@oxfordtouch.co.uk)

### **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>.

### **Playmobil**

If you have any Lego or Playmobil that you no longer use and would like to donate to the school, please see Mrs Morris in the office.

## Forthcoming Dates

### October 2019

07.10.19	Harvest Festival Celebration
09.10.19	Individual photographs
10.10.19	Year 1 & 2 Blenheim Palace
13.10.19	Schools Half Marathon, Oxford
14.10.19	Year 3 & 4 Blenheim Palace
15.10.19	Drop in session for parents 9-10am
16.10.19	Year 5 & 6 Blenheim Palace
18.10.19	Learning cards go home
21.10.19	Learning cards to be returned to school
24.10.19	Cross country event years 3-6
24.10.19	Glasbury Parents Meeting at 3.15pm
25.10.19	End of term 1

### 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 Friday 20<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