

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our children in years 5 and 6 enjoyed an additional PE and sports session last week with Mr Karl Bushell from the Kidlington Forum table tennis club. We are always keen for the children to try out different sports activities and they certainly enjoyed the table tennis sessions.



All of our children in years 1-6 have been working on an art project following their visit to the Maurizio Cattelan exhibition at Blenheim Palace last term. This week, Education staff from the Palace came to see the children's work and, with a group of our pupils, chose work which will go on display at the Palace over the half-term holiday.

Next week, I will take a group of children to the Palace who will work with staff from the Art Foundation on curating the exhibition. I do hope that you will be able to visit the exhibition over the holiday and enjoy looking at the children's work.



Last week I wrote about a number of children being late for school, there has been a huge improvement this week so many thanks to everyone for supporting their children to be in class for the start of morning lessons at 8.45am, it makes a big difference both to the individual child being on time and the rest of their classmates who are not having their learning interrupted.

Learning Cards will be going home this week, please do look at these with your children. They show what learning objectives the children have been working on and what learning objectives they will be covering in future lessons. Please ensure that all learning cards are returned to school on Monday morning.

We will be holding a session for parents and carers next Tuesday evening about reading and spelling. The session begins at 5.30pm in the school hall, you will be able to talk to staff about the teaching of reading and spelling, as well as visiting the bookshop which will be here all day on Tuesday. You are very welcome to bring your children with you on Tuesday evening too.

Kind regards

Deborah Nind & the William Fletcher team

Our assembly theme for the month of February is Compassion



Writer of the week – Liam in Year 4
 Mathematician of the week – Justin in Year 3
 Reader of the week – Freddie in Year 5
 School Value – Ibrahim in Year 5
 Building Learning Power – Claire in Year 3

Celebration of achievements

This week Russell & Ibrahim in Year 5 have been awarded their Bronze merit arrow. Tilly in Year 6 has been awarded her Silver merit arrow. Eliza in Year 6 has been awarded her 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 150 nights of reading at home: Riley in Kingfishers. Milly & Nancy in Swallows. Ingrid in Nightingales. Orhan, Toby, Daisy & Becka in Owls. Betsy in Kestrels. Abby, Holly & Chanelle in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 125 nights of reading at home: Tymek in Swallows. Grace & Esme in Owls. Dora-Jean in Kestrels. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 100 nights of reading at home: Soz & Luka in Kingfishers. Jasper & Lily-Rose in Owls. Scarlet in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 75 nights of reading at home: Nate in Kingfishers. Charlie L, Georgie & Robert in Swallows. Aaron in Nightingales. Congratulations to the following child who has reached his 50 nights of reading at home: Maxim in Swallows.

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 Nightingales for 97.35% attendance.

Class	Attendance for 27.01.20 - 31.01.20
Eagles	96.61%
Kestrel	96.99%
Kingfishers	96.48%
Nightingales	97.35%
Owls	96.42%
Peregrine Falcons	94.03%
Red Kites	96.24%
Sky Larks	95.81%
Swallows	97.22%
Wrens	95.15%
Total	96.23%

Table Tennis Club

Kidlington Table Tennis club hold a junior evening on Tuesdays from 6.30pm - 7.30pm for beginners, everyone is welcome. The venue is Exeter Close Pavilion, Crown Road, Kidlington, OX5 1AG, behind the Exeter Hall.

The FAST programme

The FAST programme (Families Active Sporting Together) is an exciting programme which was initially based in targeted wards of Banbury but due to the success of the programme it has been expanded to targeted wards of Bicester and Kidlington. The FAST programme is aimed at making it accessible

for families to enjoy physical activity and sport together. Please find more information on the Cherwell District Council website: <https://www.cherwell.gov.uk/info/3/leisure-and-culture/107/be-active-more-often/2>

Ignite Football Club – Term 4 - Every Monday from 3pm – 4pm

If you would like your child to attend Ignite Football Club for term 4 which runs every Monday from 3pm to 4pm, please see Mrs Morris in the office.

Lego Club – Term 4 - Every Monday from 3pm – 4pm

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Lost Property

Lyla in Peregrine Falcons has lost her panda keyring. Could you please check if your child has taken this keyring home by mistake.

Forthcoming Dates

February 2020

07.02.20	Learning Cards go home
10.02.20	Learning cards returned to school
11.02.20 6.30pm	Curriculum session for parents and carers 5.30pm – 6.30pm
12.02.20	Hooke Court meeting at 3.15pm in Kestrel class.
13.02.20	Year 5 & 6 Sports hall Athletics
14.02.20	End of Term 3
24.02.20	Term 4 begins
26.02.20	Year 6 Junior Citizen

March 2020

02.03.20	Year 1 Dance at The Marlborough School
02.03.20	Parent – Teacher Discussions
03.03.20	Netball Tournament
03.03.20	Parent – Teacher Discussions
05.03.20	Heights & Weights Measurements - FS & Year 6
10.03.20	Tag Rugby Tournament – Stratfield Brake
11.03.20 – 13.03.20	Hook Court – Year 4
27.03.20	Learning cards go home
30.03.20	Learning cards returned to school

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2019/2020

Term 3

Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February

Term 4

Monday 24th February to Friday 3rd April

Term 5

Monday 20th April to Thursday 21st May

Friday 22nd May INSET Day

Term 6

Monday 1st June to Friday 17th July

Friday 3rd July INSET Day

Monday 20th July INSET Day

Tuesday 21st July 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

Tuesday 8th June to Tuesday 20th July
Monday 7th June INSET Day
Wednesday 21st July INSET Day
Thursday 22nd July INSET Day

ParentPay - our new online payment service

We are pleased to announce that we will shortly be accepting payments online for items such as school trips, clubs and breakfast club. Using a secure website called ParentPay you will be able to pay online using your credit / debit card or continue to make cash/cheque payments at the office.

How to get started with ParentPay?

We will send your account activation details on 10th February 2020. Once you receive these:

- Visit www.parentpay.com
- Enter your Activation username and password in the Account login section of the homepage.
NB. These are for one-time use only, please change your own username and password for future access during activation process.
- Provide all the necessary information and choose your new username and password for your account – registering your email address will enable us to send you receipts and reminders.
- Once activation is complete you can go straight to items for payment, select which item(s) you want to add to your basket and proceed to complete your payment.

If you have any question, please contact the school office. For more information, visit www.parentpay.com/parents/

