

Dear Parents and Carers

Last week, some of our older children took part in a maths challenge event held at Cranford House School. They joined other children from schools around the county and took part in a range of maths problem solving activities. They all thoroughly enjoyed the experience and the tea provided for them at the end of the day!

On Friday, we all took part in Comic Relief Day. Mrs Phillips organised some wacky races for everyone, and the children learnt about some of the projects that Comic Relief funds both in the UK and further afield. Thank you to everyone who was able to donate to the charity we raised an amazing £354.40.



This week, our children in Foundation Stage had a very exciting visit to the Environmental Centre at Hill End. The weather was glorious and the children spent time pond dipping, going on a scavenger hunt, playing in the Foundation Stage learning area and story telling activities. Many thanks to all the parents and volunteers who were able to give their time to accompany the children on their visit.



Covid continues to be prevalent in our school community, affecting both staff and children. Please continue to remind your children about washing their hands and good respiratory hygiene. If you think your child has covid symptoms please carry out a lateral flow test and keep them at home if they test positive for covid.

Archery will be available again next term for any child in Y3-6. The club will be run by Paul Edwards. The club will run from 8 - 8.45am on Tuesdays and will run for 5 weeks starting the first week after the Easter holidays costing £30. The letters are in your child's class or can be collected from Mrs Phillips. There are just 12 places available - first come first served!

With best wishes

Deborah Nind and the WF Team

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



Writer of the week – Alissa in Year 4  
Reader of the week – Olivia in Year 6  
Value of the Week – Vinnie in Year 3

## Celebration of achievements

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 200 nights of reading at home: Charlie, Nate, Nancy & Nathan in Owls. Anelie & Isla in Kestrels. Georgia & Charlotte in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 175 nights of reading at home: Elliott & Maya in Kingfishers. Edith, Esme & Ruby in Swallows. Georgie & Georgia in Owls. Grace & Theo in Sky Larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 150 nights of reading at home: Alex P in Kingfishers. Hannah & Daisy in Owls. Maxim in Kestrels. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 125 nights of reading at home: Teddy in Kingfishers. Everest in Swallows. Toby in Kestrels. Congratulations to the following child who has reached their 100 nights of reading at home: Samar in Kingfishers. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 75 nights of reading at home: Ben & Bethany in Sky Larks.

## Attendance

School starts at 8:45am, can you please make sure your child is in class by 8:45am.

### 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 14.03.22 – 18.03.22
Eagles	94%
Kestrel	95.33%
Kingfishers	91.67%
Nightingales	92.80%
Owls	97.28%
Peregrine Falcons	99.17%
Red Kites	98.57%
Robins	93.68%
Sky Larks	95.00%
Swallows	90.00%
Wrens	92.13%
Total	94.68%

## 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.**

## Calling all budding violin and cello players!

County Music Service Teacher Mrs. Beaumont who comes into school has space to set up a new group for beginners on violin and / or cello. Lessons taught in small groups of 2-4 students for 20 minutes. Lesson will run at the end of school afternoon on a Wednesday afternoon finishing just after end of school day at 3.05. Students will be escorted by the teacher for pick up at Reception for pick up. Charges apply, instruments can be hired if necessary. Suitable for both those in years 3 or 4 who have had whole class learning or new beginners. All welcome! For further info email:

[Victoria.beaumont@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:Victoria.beaumont@oxfordshire.gov.uk)

## **Step 2 Dance Lessons**

A local dance company Step 2 that comes into school has lots of lessons for all range of ages. Please see website below for further details:

[Step 2 Dance Oxford Homepage — STEP 2 DANCE](#)

## **Yarnton Youth Netball**

Open to boys and girls in years 3, 4, 5 & 6 from William Fletcher School. Training is on Wednesdays at the school, after school until 4pm. Places are limited, and if you are interested in your child taking part please email [yarntonyouthnetball@gmail.com](mailto:yarntonyouthnetball@gmail.com) for more details. This year we will be asking all youngsters involved to become members of England Netball for a small one-off fee, so that we can run the session as part of Yarnton Netball Club.

## **Fundraising Event for Ukrainian Disaster Appeal and Mind in Memory of Joey Beauchamp.**

On Friday 25th March 6:30pm in the Yarnton Village Hall, there is a quiz. It is Yellow and Blue themed quiz, raising money for the Ukrainian disaster appeal and Mind in memory of Joey Beauchamp. Tables are £25 for a team of 8-10 people. There will be a bar, BBQ and raffle. It is timed early to allow to children to attend. All proceeds split between the two charities. Participants encouraged to wear something yellow or blue!

To book a table or donate a raffle prize send an email to [yarntonfamilyfun@hotmail.com](mailto:yarntonfamilyfun@hotmail.com)

## **Spring Craft and Shopping Fair**

Yarnton Village Hall, Sunday 3rd April, 1-4pm

Lots of local small business selling a range of goodies, including Wreaths, Bodyshop, Personalised Easter Gifts, Handmade Gifts & Products, Candles & Wax melts, Jewellery, Chocolate products and lots more!

We will also have a Face painter, Raffle, and Tombola

Refreshments will be available.

A donation will be made to the charity – CHILDREN ON THE EDGE

## **May Day Dancing Celebrations**

This year we will be holding our traditional May Morning celebrations. We haven't been able to do this for the past two years due to the covid restrictions. As 1<sup>st</sup> May falls on Sunday this year we will hold our May Day Dancing on the morning of Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April

## **Forthcoming Dates**

### **April 2022**

04.04.22 – 06.04.22 Year 4 Hooke Court  
08.04.22 Term 4 ends  
25.04.22 Term 5 starts  
29.04.22 May Day Celebrations

### **May 2022**

02.05.2022 Bank Holiday  
09.05.2022 –  
13.05.2022 Year 6 Sats week  
19.05.2022 Foundation Stage Vision Screening

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

**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 Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July

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

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July INSET

**William Fletcher School Term Dates 2022/2023**

**Term 1**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September INSET Day

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September INSET Day

**Term 2**

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November INSET Day

**Term 3**

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January INSET

**Term 4**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

**Term 5**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

**Term 6**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June to Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June INSET