

Dear Parents and Carers

Many of you will be aware that we have seen a number of positive COVID cases in school this week in both pupils and staff. We have sent Warn and Inform letters to parents whose children's classes have been affected. This does mean that your child may have different adults in class with them as we cover for absent colleagues.

Thank you for your ongoing support with our Covid control measures and for completing LFD tests for 7 days where your child is identified as a contact of someone who has tested positive.

In school we continue to follow the control measures of:

- Maintaining regular washing or sanitising of hands
- Good respiratory hygiene: 'catch it, bin it, kill it'
- Enhanced cleaning during the school day
- Keeping classrooms and other learning spaces well ventilated

Further information can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

This week all of our children in school took part in fencing sessions. The children learnt some of the key moves and language associated with the sport. This was a new venture for us at William Fletcher and part of our plan to provide a wider range of sports activities and taster sessions for the children. The children really enjoyed the sessions and many are now keen to take up fencing. We will look at the possibilities of running a fencing club in the future at William Fletcher.



Keeping on the sporting theme, three of our children took part in the partnership Boccia competition held at The Marlborough School. Well done to Bethany, Oliver and Alex who represented our school with great sporting behaviour.



Lunchbox ideas

Does it feel like your child will never accept veg in their lunchbox? Sandwiches can be an excellent way to work in a little veg, the organisation Vegpower have produced a handy guide for parents and some ideas to try out. Click on the following link to find the guide: <https://bit.ly/send-in-the-sarnies>

With best wishes

Deborah Nind and the WF Team

Our assembly theme for the month of January is Friendship



Writer of the week – Lara in Year 5
 Mathematician of the week – Zachary in Year 4
 Reader of the week – Oscar in Year 1
 Value of the Week – Warren in Year 5
 BLP of the Week – Elliott in Year 1

Celebration of achievements

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 175 nights of reading at home: Zachary in Sky Larks.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 150 nights of reading at home: Georgia in Sky Larks.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 125 nights of reading at home: Elliott in Kingfishers. Esme in Swallows. Isla in Red Kites. Theo, Olivia P, Elise, Jemima in Sky Larks.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 100 nights of reading at home: Isabella & Alex P in Kingfishers. Elliot & Felicity in Swallows. Corey In Red Kites. Warren & Alex in Sky Larks.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 75 nights of reading at home: Aarav in Kingfishers. Josh in Kestrels. Phoebe in Owls. Ruby in Red Kites. Oliver & Archie in Sky Larks.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 50 nights of reading at home: Immy in Nightingales. Bethany in Sky Larks.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home: Anna 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 17.01.22 – 21.01.22
Eagles	94.40%
Kestrel	98.00%
Kingfishers	93.33%
Nightingales	94.62%
Owls	92.62%
Peregrine Falcons	96.67%
Red Kites	93.93%
Robins	98.95%
Sky Larks	95.38%
Swallows	97.78%
Wrens	96.11%
Total	95.52%

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.**

News from the PTA - Your School Lottery

Support William Fletcher School by signing up to Your School Lottery and you could also win a Forest Staycation.

With just 50 tickets purchased (we are currently at 18!) this could raised an amazing £1,000 a year for the school. The first draw is this Saturday 29th January 2022.

For more info or to sign up please visit yourschoollottery.co.uk and search For William Fletcher.

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 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.

Forthcoming Dates

January 2022

25.01.2022	Fencing Taster Session
26.01.2022	Fencing Taster Session

February 2022

02.02.2022	Planetarium Year 5 & 6
11.02.2022	Learning Cards go home
14.02.2022	Learning Cards returned
18.02.2022	Term 3 ends
28.02.2022	Term 4 starts
28.02.2022	West Oxfordshire Hockey tournament

March 2022

01.03.2022	Year 5 & 6 Visit to The Story Museum
07.03.2022	Parent Teacher Meeting
08.03.2022	Parent Teacher Meeting
15.03.2022	NCMP Height and Weight for Foundation and Year 6
24.03.2022	Key Stage 2 Parliament Trip

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2021/2022

Term 3

Wednesday 5th January to Friday 18th February
Tuesday 4th January INSET

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

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2022/2023

Term 1

Tuesday 6th September to Friday 21st October
Friday 2nd September INSET Day
Monday 5th September INSET Day

Term 2

Monday 31st October to Tuesday 20th December
Friday 18th November INSET Day

Term 3

Wednesday 4th January to Friday 10th February
Tuesday 3rd January INSET

Term 4

Monday 20th February to Friday 31st March

Term 5

Monday 17th April to Friday 26th May

Term 6

Tuesday 6th June to Wednesday 21st July
Monday 5th June INSET