

Dear Parents and Carers

Last week we were able to celebrate May Day in our usual traditional WF way. It was wonderful to see the children enjoying their dancing and to see so many friends and families join us for the occasion. Many thanks to the PTA who provided refreshments and a uniform stall. Here are a selection of photos from our celebrations.



Next week our children in year 6 will be taking the statutory Standard Assessment Tasks (SATs) in reading, grammar, punctuation, spelling and mathematics. This year the results of the tests will be shared with children and their parents, but the usual league tables of results will not be published.

Our children in year 2 began their assessments this week. Later on, in the term the children in year 1 will take part in the phonics check.

Children in year 4 will, for the first time, take part in the multiplication tables check. Parents will be informed of results from all of these assessments at the end of the summer term.

Further information regarding the statutory assessments the children will be taking can be found here:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/1031901/2022\\_Information\\_for\\_parents\\_Multiplication\\_tables\\_check.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1031901/2022_Information_for_parents_Multiplication_tables_check.pdf)

[https://www.theschoolrun.com/system/files/attachments/articles/ks2\\_sats\\_2022\\_guide\\_for\\_parents.pdf](https://www.theschoolrun.com/system/files/attachments/articles/ks2_sats_2022_guide_for_parents.pdf)

[https://www.theschoolrun.com/system/files/attachments/articles/ks1\\_sats\\_2022\\_guide\\_for\\_parents.pdf](https://www.theschoolrun.com/system/files/attachments/articles/ks1_sats_2022_guide_for_parents.pdf)

Last week, the Anti-bullying crew surprised some of the school staff with 'Random Acts of Kindness'. These items, that were gifted, included sets of books for the teacher's classroom, inspiring quotes to display in their classrooms, a recipe book and some chocolate. The items were inexpensive, some had even been recycled! It was lovely to see how good the children felt passing these random acts of kindness on.

The Anti-bullying crew are organising a non-uniform day on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May. The theme of the day is to wear 'happy and bright colours'. The Anti-bullying crew would like to raise money to buy a second buddy bench which they hope to paint and place on the bottom playground. Children are asked to bring £1 to school and wear their bright, happy colours on this day. Please note, no pyjamas to be worn please.

Get creative from the WF Arts Council

The National Gallery are holding a competition; they would like you to recreate a picture of Queen Elizabeth II. The gallery has over 900 images of the Queen to choose from. So get creative with your family and friends and have fun creating a modern version of some famous images of the Queen. Details of the competition can be found here:

<https://competitions.npg.org.uk/c/default.aspx?i=4%20m7bYoovVxbWd8TYB8ioA==>

If you do take part, we'd love to see your pictures. (Anna, Dora, Jemima and Kara, WF Arts Council Reps.)

A gentle reminder that children should be in their classes no later than 8.45am. School gates open at 8.35am and close at 8.45am. It is really important that children are in school and ready to start their learning by 8.45am. If children arrive after 8.45 am, please ensure that they are brought to the main school entrance.

With best wishes

Deborah Nind and the WF Team

<b>Our assembly theme for the month of May is Humility</b>
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Writer of the week – June in Year 3  
Mathematician of the week – Pedro in Year 2  
Reader of the week – Orla in Year 6  
Value of the Week – Daniel in Year 1  
BLP of the Week – Charlotte in Year 3

### **Celebration of achievements**

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 200 nights of reading at home: Oscar, Laura & Esme in Swallows. Zeko in Owls. Harry in Kestrels.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 175 nights of reading at home: Tymek & Georgia in Kestrels.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 150 nights of reading at home: Gracie & Everest in Swallows. Kara in Eagles.

### **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.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance for 25.04.22 – 28.04.22</b>
Eagles	96.40%
Kestrel	98.33%
Kingfishers	95.42%
Nightingales	98.46%
Owls	95.67%
Peregrine Falcons	98.33%
Red Kites	97.50%
Robins	97.14%
Sky Larks	93.46%
Swallows	98.08%
Wrens	94.74%
Total	96.74%

### **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.**

### **Ignite Sports Club – Every Thursday from 3pm – 4pm**

Ignite are running a new after school sports club for children in Foundation to Year 6. If you would like your child to attend Ignite Sports Club for term 5, which will run every Thursday from 3pm to 4pm, starting on 28<sup>th</sup> April, please complete the Parent Pay form. It is based on a first come first serve basis and will cost £4.50 per session (£22.50 for term 5).

### **PTA Meeting**

The next PTA meeting will be on Monday 9th May at 7.30pm in the school hall. All welcome! If you would like any further information, please email us at [Williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:Williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com)

### **Free Book Workshop Launch Event**

The author Isabel Thomas who write 'The Invisible World of Germs' book is holding free workshop at Blackwells in Oxford on 7<sup>th</sup> May. Please see attached Poster and link below for details:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/isabel-thomas-the-invisible-world-of-germs-tickets-315386689077>

### **News from the PTA**

Thank you to everyone that bought a pastry or cup of coffee at last weeks May Day dancing. We raised a wonderful £119.77 on May Day refreshments and £25.50 on the Uniform Exchange. The next PTA meeting is booked in for next Monday 9th May at 7.30pm in the school hall. We will be discussing all things Summer Fete. Everyone welcome! If you would like any more info please contact us at [williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com)

### **Yarnton Brownies**

Yarnton Brownies currently have spaces. Come and join the fun! Open to girls aged between 7-10. We run Wednesday's during term time from 6.30-8pm. Please visit <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/> for more information and to register interest. Alternatively call 07866122863 - Heather Kimber Moss for any additional help.

### **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.

## Forthcoming Dates

### May 2022

09.05.2022 –	
13.05.2022	Year 6 Sats week
17.05.2022	The Marlborough School Year 6, 1 <sup>st</sup> Induction Day 11.30am – 2.15pm
19.05.2022	Foundation Stage Vision Screening
20.05.22	Non School Uniform Day - theme of the day is to wear 'happy and bright colours'
27.05.2022	Term 5 ends

### June 2022

06.06.2022	Inset Day
07.06.2022	Term 6 starts
08.06.2022	Peregrine Falcons Pitts River Museum Trip
09.06.2022	Eagles and Sky Larks River Museum Trip
14.06.2022	Key Stage 2 Sports Day – Starting at 9.30am
16.06.2022	Key Stage 1 Sports Day – Starting at 9.30am
16.06.2022	Fire Engine Visit for Key Stage 1
21.06.2022	Foundation Stage Cotswold Farm Park Visit
27.06.2022	New Parents Visit for Reception children starting in September 2022
28.06.2022	The Marlborough School Year 6, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Induction Day 09.30am – 2.30pm

### July 2022

01.07.2022	School Fete
12.07.2022	The Marlborough School Year 6, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Induction Day 08.25am – 3.05pm
18.07.2022	Year 6 Leavers Evening
19.07.2022	Term 6 ends

## William Fletcher School Term Dates 2021/2022

### 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