

Dear Parents and Carers

Last week we held our Rights Respecting Conference for Children at Blenheim Palace. This event has become an annual fixture in our school calendar. We began the conferences over 6 years ago, holding them for the first few years in the Howard Hilsdon Room. What began as a small group of children coming together has grown into an event that saw 48 children from our area gathering together to explore and think about Children's Rights. The conference this year focused on article 24 of the UN convention on the rights of the child. This article refers to the rights of children to live in a clean and healthy environment.

During the conference the children had the opportunity to meet with the beekeeper at Blenheim Palace who gave a very inspiring talk about the importance of creating environments for wildlife and some top tips of how to do this in our own gardens and locality.

I am very grateful to Miss Welham for all the work she put into organising this event and the staff team at Blenheim for their continuing support in this area of our work.



Another busy school year is drawing to a close and what a packed year it has been despite the constraints that we have continued to work under from the pandemic.

We will be saying goodbye to our year 6 children at the end of term, they have been a super year group and we wish them every success on the next step of their learning journey.

We will also be saying goodbye to two members of the staff team. Miss Goodson will be leaving her teaching assistant post in Swallow class to take up a teacher training position in September. We all wish her every success in the next stage of her career.

Mrs Sumner will be retiring at the end of this term. Mrs Sumner joined the WF team in 2004 and has worked as a Teaching assistant mainly in KS1. I know many children over the years have benefitted from the support and guidance that Mrs Sumner has given and we will all miss her calm and kind presence in school. We all wish Mrs Sumner a long and happy retirement.

Our last day in school is Tuesday 19th July, finishing at the usual time. We hope you all have an enjoyable summer break and look forward to welcoming you back to school on Tuesday 6th September.

Deborah Nind and the WF Team

Our assembly theme for the month of July is Generosity

Celebration of achievements

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 200 nights of reading at home: Isla in Nightingales. Arthur in Swallows. Toby in Kestrels. Congratulations to the

following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home: Charlie C in Kestrels.

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 04.07.22 – 08.07.22 |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Eagles | 82.56% |
| Kestrel | 94.00% |
| Kingfishers | 92.08% |
| Nightingales | 91.85% |
| Owls | 87.74% |
| Peregrine Falcons | 90.87% |
| Red Kites | 97.48% |
| Robins | 97.14% |
| Sky Larks | 89.23% |
| Swallows | 96.15% |
| Wrens | 93.16% |
| Total | 91.91% |

Year 5 & 6

The year 5 and 6 plays have changed dates due to the extreme heat conditions. Please see the attached letter with the up-to-date details.

Uniform Exchange

Thank you to everyone who has donated, purchased and helped to get the PTA Uniform Exchange up and running this year!

We have no more sales this term, but will be collecting uniform donations on the last day of term. Look out for our donations bin by the gate as you leave.

This might be a nice opportunity for the year 6s who want to donate their uniform for younger pupils to benefit from. They will literally be walking in the shoes of their older classmates, which would be a lovely mark to leave.

Finally, if you're worried your child is going to grow 3 inches over the summer, we will be running a sale on Sunday 21st August 12 - 3pm in Yarnton Park! So you can get all the essential things for September!

If you want to get in touch directly, our email is: ptauniformexchange@william-fletcher.oxon.sch.uk

Ignite Sports Club in September – Every Thursday from 3pm – 4pm

Ignite are running an after school sports club for children in Foundation to Year 6. If you would like your child to attend Ignite Sports Club for term 1, which will run every Thursday from 3pm to 4pm, starting on 8th September 22, please complete the Parent Pay form. It is based on a first come first serve basis and will cost £4.50 per session (£31.50 for term 1).

Summer Hockey Program

Please see link below that details what we are offering this summer, including weekly sessions and. Then the WHC camp at the end of August.

If you could distribute it to your respective parents / pupils it would be appreciated.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vRZdUBJ4ijHXWyOz7vNM0FaBPxjBeVGeAHgajnQEzt3zP8X2qD9OvE5kHyDQ1Yd_w/pub

Energy Kidz Vacancy at William Fletcher School

Energy Kidz is on the lookout for a happy, enthusiastic and passionate **Activity Leader** to join our ever growing family.

As an **Activity Leader**, you will....

- Engage with children through play and sports
- Supervise children in a safe and welcoming environment
- Create an inclusive and fun atmosphere
- Be every child's hero!

You don't need a wealth of experience, you just need a can-do attitude, a passion for childcare and a want to make a difference; every... single... day!

Energy Kidz & Fit For Sport (a part of Junior Adventures Group UK) currently operates in 250+ schools and leisure settings across the UK and engages with over 300,000 children, making us the biggest provider of children's services in the UK. Globally we operate in over 1000 settings across Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Ireland and England. Join our worldwide network of colleagues on our mission to build brighter futures for children across the globe!

** We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in our care and so all our team members require an enhanced DBS check. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and amendments to the Exceptions Order 1975, 2013 and 2020.

To apply please see:

<https://junioradventuresgroup.livevacancies.co.uk/#/job/details/1637>

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.**

Knitting For All

We have a knitting club at school run by Steph Radda on Tuesday's from 3pm - 4.15pm (term time only). If you would like your child to attend or for more information, please contact Steph on 07940564486 for further details.

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.

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

July 2022

19.07.2022 Term 6 ends

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2021/2022

Term 6

Tuesday 7th June to Tuesday 19th July
Monday 6th June INSET
Wednesday 20th July INSET

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 Friday 21st July
Monday 5th June INSET

William Fletcher School Term Dates 2023/2024

Term 1

Tuesday 5th September to Friday 20th October
Friday 1st September INSET Day
Monday 4th September INSET Day

Term 2

Monday 30th October to Wednesday 20th December
Monday 27th November INSET Day

Term 3

Monday 8th January to Friday 9th February

Term 4

Tuesday 20th February to Thursday 28th March
Monday 19th February INSET

Term 5

Monday 15th April to Friday 24th May

Term 6

Tuesday 4th June to Wednesday 24th July
Monday 3rd June INSET

Dear Parents and Carers

Year 5 and 6 Plays

As you know we are scheduled for a heat wave in the UK, lasting up to and including Tuesday 19th July.

Following advice from the local authority, and consultation with representatives of the Governing body we have decided to reschedule the performances to the following times:

Monday 18th July for year 5 parents starting at 9.00am

Tuesday 19th July for year 6 parents starting at 9.00am

We appreciate this is a change to our original plans. We have made this change in order to keep both children, parents and staff safe in the extreme weather conditions scheduled for next week.

We had planned to have our Leavers Assembly on Tuesday morning. We will incorporate our goodbyes to the year 6 at the end of their performance. Additionally, we will be presenting the year 6 children their certificates and gifts online via zoom at 11.00am Tuesday morning, so that parents can also be part of this special occasion. Details of how to access this will be sent in due course.

Kind regards

Deborah Nind

Headteacher