

Dear Parents and Carers

Lots of our children have been enjoying the recent spell of lovely weather, particularly at playtimes and lunchtimes. Our children in Key stage 1 and lower Key stage 2 have enjoyed playing in our forest school area, moving the logs to create dens and role play areas.



Some children have been very creative making fairy gardens and snail gardens – reminiscent I think of the work of the artist Andy Goldsworthy. It has been super to see our children at breaktimes working as teams to produce something rather beautiful.



Thinking about warmer weather please encourage your children to bring their sunhats to school and apply sun cream at the start of the day. The children are all very good at bringing their drinks bottles to school, please ensure they have water in their bottles rather than squash as this helps to keep teeth healthy.

Tomorrow our Anti-bullying ambassadors have organised a non-uniform day. Your children are invited to come to school dressed in bright colours along with a donation towards a friendship bench which will be placed on the lower school playground.

Next week, we will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum jubilee, part of this will involve a morning picnic on the field. Children will watch each class perform a song or dance (taken from a decade of the Queen's life they have been studying in school) and then enjoy a snack of strawberries and a small cake. Do let your child's class teacher know if you would prefer your child not to eat the picnic snacks.

Deborah Nind and the WF Team

Our assembly theme for the month of May is Humility



Writer of the week – Arthur in Year 2
 Mathematician of the week – Claire in Year 5
 Reader of the week – Niko in Year 1
 Value of the Week – Joseph in Year 6
 BLP of the Week – Zachary in Year 4

Celebration of achievements

Congratulations to the following child who has reached her 225 nights of reading at home: Dora in Eagles. Congratulations to the following child who has reached her 200 nights of reading at home: Maggie in Sky larks. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 175 nights of reading at home: Jude in Nightingales. Gracie, William & Arthur in Swallows. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 150 nights of reading at home: Thomas & Paislee in Nightingales. Ellie-Mae in Eagles. Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 125 nights of reading at home: Cora in Eagles. Congratulations to the following child who has reached her 75 nights of reading at home: Olivia 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 09.05.22 – 13.05.22
Eagles	94.40%
Kestrel	95.33%
Kingfishers	100%
Nightingales	95.38%
Owls	93.33%
Peregrine Falcons	97.50%
Red Kites	95.71%
Robins	91.43%
Sky Larks	98.85%
Swallows	99.23%
Wrens	98.95%
Total	96.31%

Class Photographs

Tempest Photography came in recently and took the class photographs for the school. The photographs are now ready to view and purchase at:

<https://htmp.st/WilliamFletcherPrimary>

There will be a free "deliver to school" option open until approximately Friday 27th May, otherwise home delivery is available for £5 postage and packing. The PTA are kindly paying for the year 6 photographs as a leavers present, so year 6 pupils will not need to purchase one. If you need assistance please call Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 5) or click on contact them on their home page www.htempest.co.uk or contact the school.

Energy Kidz Vacancy

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

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

PTA News

We are deep into the planning for the Summer Fete on Friday 1st July.

We are looking for donations for our very popular Pudding Stall. Any cakes or desserts are welcome.

We are also looking for donations for our Produce stall. Anything from pots of herbs, fruit, plants, vegetables, flowers to bird boxes.

If you believe you can contribute to either of these please let us know

at williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com

Also Summer Fete related, please see the attached match funding letter with this weeks newsletter, match funding is a way of the PTA (as a charity) raising additional funds through employers, whether it be as a donation or allowing staff time off to help on the day.

Please can we ask you to review the letter and speak with your employer to see if they offer this?

We are very much looking forward to hosting a wonderful evening for the school community.

Yarnton Little Marsh Pavilion Hire (Yarnton Playing Fields Committee)

Are you considering hiring a venue for a special event? Would you like a private peaceful setting with use of a kitchen, toilet, and showers? Then we have just the space for you! Our modern pavilion is bright and airy, with bifold doors which open out onto a deck overlooking a large grassy area. The perfect venue for a child's birthday party with easy access for bouncy castle hire. We are happy to consider the use of a marquee on the grass in addition to hire of our facilities, for a small extra fee. The venue is located behind the Turnpike pub and is fully wheelchair accessible with parking. Please feel free to get in touch for information, availability, and prices. Email Laura at: yarntonplayingfields.outlook.com or telephone 07807188668.

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 28th 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).

Knitting For All

We have a knitting club at school ran 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.

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

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

May 2022

17.05.2022	The Marlborough School Year 6, 1 st 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
08.06.2022	Open Evening for current Year 5 Students Gosford Hill School 4:30pm
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
17.06.2022	Non Uniform Day in exchange for a Children's Tombola Prize
20.06.2022	Festival of Voices
21.06.2022	Foundation Stage Cotswold Farm Park Visit
24.06.2022	Non Uniform Day in exchange for an Adult's Tombola Prize
27.06.2022	New Parents Visit for Reception children starting in September 2022
28.06.2022	The Marlborough School Year 6, 2 nd Induction Day 09.30am – 2.30pm
28.06.2022	Foundation Stage Sports Day – Starting at 9.30am

July 2022

01.07.2022	School Fete
12.07.2022	The Marlborough School Year 6, 3 rd 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 25th April to Friday 27th May

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

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19th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Employer Match Funding – William Fletcher Summer Fete

You will hopefully be aware of the fantastic work that the PTA continually do to raise funds for the school.

We wanted to take this opportunity to highlight **employer match funding schemes** and how a little bit of your time could potentially double the funds for the PTA. If you work for an organisation that has a match funding policy, any money you raise could be matched by your employer. Companies may match the fundraising total for an event, or for the stall that their employee is working on. Usually, the employee will need to supply them with a letter from the PTA detailing the date and nature of the event, together with the total raised. High street banks, building societies, supermarkets and large corporations are likely to do match funding, but these schemes are not exclusive to the major corporate giants. If you work for an independent company, they may be interested in charitable giving through match funding too.

Some of the companies who run match funding schemes are as follows: Barclays, Halifax, Vodafone, M&S, Thames Water, Tesco, Southern Electric. Some companies will also pledge time and resources instead of money, so enabling their employees to support a cause during their working week, for example, doing a school grounds tidy up day, putting storage sheds together etc.

We would be hugely grateful if you could find out if your employer operates a match funding scheme, or if they are willing to match fund our upcoming Summer Fete on Friday 1st July 2022. If you can't help out this time, but you know the company you work for has a match funding policy, please let us know. This will be very beneficial for the PTA and help us raise money for all our fundraising targets during the year.

If you are able to help, please contact email us at williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

Liz, Lauren and Becca
William Fletcher School PTA