

Dear Parents and Carers

Last week many of our children in year 6 took part in cycling proficiency training, led by an organisation called Outspoken. The sessions taught the children about riding their bikes safely on the road and the very clear message about always wearing a cycle helmet when cycling.



Last week also saw the beginning of our sports tournaments. Some of our year 3 and 4 children took part in the West Oxfordshire football tournament held at Carterton. The team did really well, qualifying for the next round of the tournament which will be held later in the year. Many thanks to Mr Lister for coaching the team and the sports leaders from The Marlborough School who came and led a coaching session with the children a couple of weeks ago.



Tomorrow we will be sending home the children's learning cards. They have been amended this year, so we have included an accompanying letter for you to read. Do speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions about the Learning Cards and we ask that they are returned to school on Monday morning.

Tomorrow we will be holding a school disco for the children, there will be no charge for the children attending but we do ask that you book a space which can be done through <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/williamfletcherschoolpta> so we have an accurate number of children attending. Many thanks to the PTA for organising this and the members of staff giving their time to help out. As always at the end of the KS2 disco your help would be greatly appreciated in clearing up if you are able to spare some time.

We are currently looking for a new lunchtime assistant, if you would be interested in working in school at lunchtimes, please contact the school office.

Best wishes

Deborah Nind and the WF Team

**Our assembly theme for the month of October is Justice**



Writer of the week – Charlie in Year 4  
 Mathematician of the week – Sofia in Year 2  
 Reader of the week – Selina in Year 5  
 School Value – Tilly in Year 2  
 BLP of the Week – Kayden in Year 1

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their 25 nights of reading at home: Elise, Borys, Elliott, Rose, Zachary, Ella, Isabella, Samar, Aaron & Seb in King Fishers. Isla, Jude, Niko, Oscar H, Osian, Paislee, Tilly G, Belle, Chloe, Eddie & Tands in Nightingales. Tilly, Jamie, Edith, Sofia, Ruby, Oscar, Aiden, Olivier, Saffy & Tansy in Swallows. Toby V & June in Kestrels. Frankie, Claudia, Milly & Joshua C in Eagles. Joey, Peter, Cerys, Claire, Ethan, Selina & Seb in Peregrine Falcons. Anna, Warren, Eva & 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 03.10.22 – 07.10.22
Eagles	98.18%
Kestrel	90.37%
Kingfishers	96.43%
Nightingales	98.57%
Owls	100%
Peregrine Falcons	99.17%
Red Kites	96.30%
Sky Larks	98.18%
Swallows	97.69%
Wrens	90.69%
Total	96.44%

### SPORTS NEWS TERM 1

We have all been working hard to improve our fitness after the Summer break. We have 123 children, Staff and Parents running the Oxford Challenge on Sunday having completed 12 miles over the past 6 weeks. We have celebrated success with our Year 3 /4 Girls Football Team who came second overall in their tournament which means they will represent West Oxfordshire in the Finals. All the children are attempting to run 2.6 miles (over the last two weeks of this term) as part of the London Mini Marathon. The children are encouraging and supporting one another around the laps in line with our PE focus for this term.

I am proud that we continue to have such active children in our school. Keep Moving! C Phillips

### Preschool Resources

Preschool will be opening up on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October between 10am and 12pm. There is a selection of resources to clear, mostly books and some toys. A small cash donation of £2 to £5 per family would be welcome, which we will donate to the PTA.

### Friday café

This week, Mrs Haynes (Reception teacher) will be joining us to discuss our topic 'Supporting your child through Foundation Stage'. However, we are also very happy to discuss anything else that people would like to talk about. We will have tea, cake and toys as usual!

*Starting Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 8.45am- 10.30am in the Howard Hillsdon Room.*

Pop in, meet other parents and carers, everyone welcome. Information available at each session, including:

\*Helping your child with maths \*Healthy lunchbox ideas \*Money matters \*Reading with your child.

Tea, coffee and biscuits available and younger siblings always welcome. For more information, please contact: Clare Pink, Family Support Worker [clarepink@william-fletcher.gov.uk](mailto:clarepink@william-fletcher.gov.uk) or, Karen Ariss: [karen.ariss@abingdon-witney.ac.uk](mailto:karen.ariss@abingdon-witney.ac.uk)

### **PTA Update - Autumn Disco**

The Autumn disco is booked for this Friday 14th October 2022.

The Foundation stage disco will take place during school hours - each child should have received a letter notifying them of the arrangements for the afternoon.

The Key Stage 1 disco will take place between 5pm - 6pm

The Key Stage 2 disco will take place between 6.15pm - 7.15pm

Year 3 can choose which disco they would like to attend.

Drop off and collection is via the office at the front of the school.

Parents can stay for the Key Stage 1 disco if desired, but we ask for children to be dropped off and left for the Key Stage 2 disco due to hall space.

The Key Stage 1 and 2 discos are optional fancy dress.

On arrival each child will receive sweets and a glowstick.

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle as there will be squash and water refills.

Please note that the Autumn discos are all free of charge.

To book your child's place at either of the disco's you will need to register on PTA Events and book a space at the required disco (link below) This allows us to capture your contact details (in case of an emergency) and for us to have a register of each child attending on the night.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/williamfletcherschoolpta>

We recommend doing this on a laptop/desktop initially if possible.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you need the instructions, have questions about PTA events or the discos and we will do our best to help.

Email: [williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:williamfletcherschoolpta@gmail.com)

### **Half Term Hockey Club**

Please see link below for information of a Half term camp happening at Oxford Hawkes hockey club, which will be ran through WHC (Williams Hockey Coaching).

[https://www.canva.com/design/DAFHPnuv-C4/eaGgfOEbtv3Ro4d8tuCNcw/view?utm\\_content=DAFHPnuv-C4&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link&utm\\_source=publishsharelink](https://www.canva.com/design/DAFHPnuv-C4/eaGgfOEbtv3Ro4d8tuCNcw/view?utm_content=DAFHPnuv-C4&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=publishsharelink)

### **Woodstock Tennis Club**

Woodstock Tennis Club is running a two-day junior tennis camp during the October half term on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October. Children aged 5+ of all abilities are welcome. Rackets can be borrowed for the sessions and children should come in trainers and comfortable clothing.

Please book via website: <https://www.wbtc.org.uk/holiday-tennis-courses/>

### **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.

## **Forthcoming Dates**

### **October 2022**

14.10.22	School Discos – Foundation Stage in School time Key Stage 1 5pm – 6pm Key Stage 2 6.15pm – 7.15pm
16.10.22	Oxford Half marathon Challenge
17.10.22	Year 5 & 6 Ashmolean Museum Visit
19.10.22	Individual School Photographs
19.10.22	KS1 Oxfordshire Museum Visit
20.10.22	KS1 Oxfordshire Museum Visit
21.10.22	Last day of term
31.10.22	Term 2 begins

### **November 2022**

10.11.22	Year 6 Imps visit
14.11.22	Parent/teacher meetings
15.11.22	Parent/teacher meetings
21.11.22 –	
25.11.22	Year 6 Glasbury week
22.11.22	Clip & climb for year 5

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

### **Term 1**

Tuesday 6th September to Friday 21st 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 Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February

### **Term 4**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February INSET Day

### **Term 5**

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

### **Term 6**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June INSET

**William Fletcher School Term Dates 2023/2024**

**Term 1**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September INSET Day

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September INSET Day

**Term 2**

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November INSET Day

**Term 3**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

**Term 4**

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February to Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February INSET

**Term 5**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

**Term 6**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June to Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June INSET

