# South Hill Primary School Newsletter

Building Character, Learning Together

# Friday 10 May 2024 Headteacher: Miss J Wellbelove

What a privilege to join the choir at Lockers Park School last night. Pupils of Lockers Park and South Hill school united in musical celebration. It was a wonderful experience, and our choir and ukulele group were a credit to us





all. With special thanks to our Music Lead Mrs Toms, Mrs Beamish and or course all the pupils that took part!

## Joshua Seigal—Visiting Author

We were visited last week by children's performance poet Joshua Seigal, who worked with our pupils in assemblies and workshops across the day. In Year 5's workshop, he asked them to think of a place that is special to them. Everyone then had a short amount of



time to write the first draft of a poem, with the

option to include a chorus. Follow the link to a selection of the fantastic work they produced:

https://joshuaseigalpoet.blogspot.com/2024/05/poemsfrom-yr-5-south-hill-primary-herts.html

## School Council—Supporting our local community

Last term our School Council met and voted for a non-school uniform day to raise donations for a local charity in our community called DENS. We have scheduled this for **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024**. Please can children bring in donations



such as: tins of foods, long life milk or juice, shower gels, shampoo and conditioner and take them to their classes. **We have attached a list of all items that can be donated.** Thank you for your support.

### **Diversity and Engagement**

Please follow the link here https://forms.office.com/e/ F77usjsE08 to answer a few questions about school diversity and engagement

withing South Hill Primary School. Thank you for your continued support.

#### Water Bottles

A reminder that all children should bring a water bottle to school that can be refilled as required. This is really important during the warmer weather so that the children can stay hydrated during the day.



#### Road Safety

On Thursday, Reception, Year 1 and Year 3 were lucky to have a Road Safety talk with Shirley from our Safer Travel Team. Shirley spoke to us about how we can be **safe** and **seen** when



we are crossing roads and when we are near roads. Some classes read a story about Aya, Grandma and Harry and how they make sure they are safe when crossing a road. For example, Harry wore bright gloves to be seen, Harry and Aya held their grandma's hand to be safe when crossing the road and Harry and Aya looked before they Telephone: 01442 402127 www.southhill.herts.sch.uk admin@southhill.herts.sch.uk X (formerly Twitter): @SouthHillPS

crossed the road. Remember **stop**, **look**, **listen and think** when crossing a road.

#### **Robins Class Assembly**

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May, Robins held their class assembly, based around their learning this half term. They told us the story of the Three Little Pigs and sang a song about the Little Red Hen. Their maths skills were superb as they counted to 20 and back, and we found out all about what plants and flowers need to grow. We were also very impressed



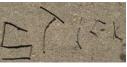
by their amazing artwork as they showed us stunning paintings of sunflowers.

## Year 2 Calligrams

Year 2 have made the most of the warm weather and have been learning about calligrams this week. A calligram is a set of words

arranged in such a way that it forms a thematically related image. It can be a poem, a phrase, a portion of scripture, or a single word; the





visual arrangement can rely on certain use of the typeface, calligraphy or handwriting, for instance along non-parallel and curved text lines, or in shaped paragraphs. We really enjoyed making calligrams in the school grounds. Here are a few examples.

#### Grammar Corner—Ash

Ash Class have been focusing on persuasive writing. We are writing our own persuasive letters to Miss Wellbelove next week. We started with a plan and two main ideas and thought of our own rhetorical questions. For



example, 'Do you really want us' to be in a hot uniform in the summer sun?'

#### Daily Mile Friday

We are pleased to announce that **Daily Mile Friday** is back! This is a chance for parents/ carers to join their child on the Daily Mile. We will open the side gate near the EYFS entrance at **8.20am.** Please note pupils must



be accompanied by an adult and not dropped off. The whistle will blow at 8.40am for pupils to go into school. We hope you can join in Daily Mile Friday!

#### Cartoon Capers Concert

Cartoon Capers Concert - Saturday 11th May 1:00pm 2024 - St Johns Church, Boxmoor. Dacorum Music School are holding a concert to celebrate all things cartoon! This is a family focused event with pieces including The Incredibles and The Flintstones. After the concert, we are holding a "have a go!" event where families can try out the instruments.

Please do come along. Family ticket available here <u>https://</u> www.ticketsource.co.uk/music-at-st-johns

Yours sincerely Miss Wellbelove Headteacher



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Attendance matters Every student, every day

Attendance

# South Hill Weekly Attendance Our target is 97% for the whole

school	
Wrens	94.8%
Robins	96.1%
Goldfinches	96.9%
Sparrows	96.4%
Owls	91.7%
Kingfishers	98.3%
Ash	94.6%
Beech	96.7%
Holly	89.7%
Maple	93.8%
Oak	98.7%
Silver Birch	98.8%
Sycamore	97.1%
Hazel	93.5%
Whole school	95.5% 1

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Star of the Week		
Wrens	Savannah	
Robins	Mariam	
Goldfinches	Stanley	
Sparrows	Rosie	
Owls	Amy	
Kingfishers	Ronnie	
Ash	Jude	
Beech	Noah	
Holly	Charlie	
Maple	Angela	
Oak	Alex	
Silver Birch	Annabel	
Sycamore	Shenna	
Hazel	Victoria	

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Monday 13th	<ul> <li>SATS week—Y6</li> <li>Kingfishers—Local Walk 1.15pm</li> </ul>	
Tuesday 14th	<ul> <li>Y4 Warner Bros. Studio Trip</li> <li>Last Maths After School Club to- day</li> </ul>	
Wednesday 15th	<ul> <li>No Rocksteady Music club today</li> </ul>	
Thursday 16th	<ul> <li>Owls—Local Walk 1.15pm</li> <li>Y6 Top up swimming</li> </ul>	
Friday 17th	<ul> <li>Y1 Rugby—PE kit required</li> </ul>	
Monday 20th	<ul> <li>Art Week</li> <li>Coffee Morning 9am—Parents of siblings</li> </ul>	
Tuesday 21st	<ul> <li>Herts Cricket taster Day—EYFS-Y3</li> </ul>	
Wednesday 22nd	<ul> <li>Y6—Thorpe Park Class Trip</li> <li>EYFS DSSN Sports Event at Leisure Centre—am</li> </ul>	
Thursday 23rd	<ul> <li>Outdoor Learning Day</li> <li>Y6 Top up Swimming</li> </ul>	
Friday 24th	<ul> <li>Non-Uniform Day—Donations of tins/no perishables for 'Dens'</li> <li>End of Half Term—School finishes at 3.15pm</li> <li>Y1 Rugby—PE kit required</li> </ul>	
Monday 27th- Friday 31st	<ul> <li>Half term—School Closed</li> </ul>	
House Points Gade 6500 Lea 5975 Bulbourne 6025 Colne 6000		
Attachments		
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