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We welcomed our Hertfordshire Improvement Partner and 2 aspiring headteachers to our school on Tuesday and Wednesday this week.

They conducted a 'Mocksted,' which was a practise Ofsted. It was a wonderful 2 days of showcasing and celebrating our pupils, our school and all of the learning.

We were delighted with the result and were so pleased that they saw the truly exceptional school that we have! I would like to thank every member of the South Hill staff team, who demonstrated such professionalism, care and enthusiasm (which they do every day!) And finally, a huge thank you to our pupils. They spoke about South Hill so positively and it was recognised how well they behave in a safe and caring environment.

Maths Corner— Y6

A ratio shows how much of one thing there is compared to another. **Ratios** are usually written in the form a:b. The order in which a ratio is stated is important. We then **simplify** ratios – finding common multiples – for instance 8 red boxes to 4 yellow boxes = 8:4 which simplifies to 2:1 (both are divisible by 4) These are known as **part to part ratios**.



We also compare using **part to whole**. This is known as **proportion**. For instance: 12 out of 20 children in a class are girls. This is shown as a fraction 12/20. Boys = 8/20. We can then use this to write the ratio of girls to boys as 12:8, simplified = 3:2.

We problem solve with ratio and proportion. David and Gill share the cost of a meal. Because David ate more he paid 3/5 of the £30 bill. How much did David and Gill pay each? The proportion is: David paid 3/5, Gill paid 2/5. Their ratio is 3:2. We use this information to answer the problem.



David paid £18 and Gill paid £12.

Class News—3 Ash

This week Ash class have been looking at the features of an adventure story in English. We enjoyed reading an excerpt from Harry Potter and The Philosopher's Stone. In Maths, we have learnt about ordering fractions and discovered that the higher the denominator, the smaller the fraction size will be. In Computing, we created our own branching databases on paper and are looking forward to transferring these to computers next week. In French, we are learning about 'Les Formes' (shapes).



Madame Evans is very impressed with our conversation skills as we can greet each other, ask, and answer questions fluently now! We have also been experimenting with watercolours in Art ready to create a watercolour scene of a natural disaster. We practised techniques such as washing, blending and cross-hatching.

School Dinner Price Increase

Our school dinner supplier HCL have informed us that there will be an increase in price for school dinners. As of 1st April the price of a child's school dinner will **increase to £3.15 per day**.



If you are currently paying for school dinners and are in receipt of Universal Credits, you may be eligible for Free School Dinners, please follow this link and make an application:

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>. Answering a few simple questions could save you ££££'s. Mrs Coombs in the school office can help you if you need some assistance with this application.

Young Voices Choir

We are really excited to announce the full music video for the charity single 'PROUD' is available today. This is performed by Heather Small and featuring the Young Voices Choir. This video and audio recording includes all 27 performances at YV 2023 edited together! (this means South Hill Primary School too). Please consider downloading the single from iTunes or Amazon as well as enjoying the video so that vital funds can be raised for the children's mental health charity Place2Be.



Football Clubs

If your child attends football club during the school day, please could you bring a bag so that the muddy boots can be stored safely after practice and the spread of mud is contained within the school building. Our cleaners will really appreciate your help with this.



Red Nose day—17.03.23

Due to the Bird of Prey man visiting on Friday 17th we are **NOT** holding a Red Nose Day event this year. However if you would like to make a donation please follow this link <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/rednoseday2023>

"Golden Dustpan" of the Week!

This week's winners of the Golden Dustpan for the tidiest classrooms are Beech, and Silver Birch. Keep up the good work!



Attendance

The class with the best attendance in the past week is: **Maple with 98.67% attendance. Amazing!**



Yours sincerely
J Wellbelove
Miss Wellbelove
Headteacher



Star of the Week	
Wrens	Ella
Robins	Charlie
Goldfinches	Arthur
Sparrows	Grayson
Owls	Whole Class
Kingfishers	Bruno
Ash	Grace
Beech	Mia
Holly	Maisie & Vishwa
Maple	Roo
Oak	Victoria
Silver Birch	Archie
Sycamore	Yusf
Hazel	Zak

Morning Games Club Year 1 and above

Don't forget Mr B's friendly, fun Morning Games Club which starts at 8.00am. At only £3.50 per session, your child can start their day in a fun, friendly way.

Please book in advance; regular and ad hoc bookings are welcome.

Please contact the school office for more information.

Please note, breakfast is NOT included.



Library Club



A quiet time for children to read, or be read to! 8.15am, all children welcome £2 per day to secure your place. Please book via the school office, payment via the Gateway app.

Breakfast NOT included.

KS2

School Clubs 3.20-4.15 pm

KS2 Girls Football - Monday—Years 3 - 6

Netball Club - Tuesday—Years 4, 5 & 6

Football Club - Thursday—Years 3 & 4

Football Club - Friday—Years 5 & 6

KS1

Lunch Time Club

Girls Football - Thursday—Years 1 & 2

Please check with the office
for availability



Dates for your Diaries

Parents Consultation Appointments available now.
Please book yours as soon as possible.

March

Monday 13th	◆ Y2 Roald Dahl trip
Tuesday 14th	◆ Silver Birch Class Assembly
Wednesday 15th	◆ Y5 WOOFYT Trip to St Francis Church Boxmoor 12.50-3.30 ◆ Silver Birch, slightly late return to school
Thursday 16th	◆ PTA Mother's Day Shop
Friday 17th	◆ Bird of Prey Visit and Photographs
Friday 17th	◆ Science Day (Whole School)
Wednesday 22nd	◆ Rock Steady Concert 2pm
Friday 24th	◆ Y1 Whipsnade Zoo trip
Friday 24th	◆ Y5&6 Dance Competition 6.30-9pm (selected students)
Monday 27th	◆ Parents evening 4-7pm ◆ Holly Class only 9am-12pm
Tuesday 28th	◆ Street dance / serenade (TBC)
Wednesday 29th	◆ Parents evening 4-7pm ◆ Holly Class only 1-3pm
Thursday 30th	◆ Easter celebration 2.45pm KS1 hall
Friday 31st	◆ School finishes 1.15pm

House Points

Gade	4325
Colne	3825
Bulbourne	3725
Lea	3700

Attachments

⇒ PTA Mothers Day Shop

Recently Added On Website
(on Newsletter page unless specified)

⇒ Parenting Course

⇒ Barracuda school holiday camp