# South Hill Primary School Newsletter

Building Character, Learning Together

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Our South Hill Choir went to the O2, London on Tuesday to attend 'Young Voices.' This event is the most amazing experience for primary school children to perform a variety of songs together in the arena with other choirs. It was an amazing day and evening and we are so proud of our choir. Thank you to Mrs Toms for leading this wonderful event and to all our supporting staff that attended with her.

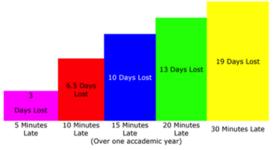
## English - Guided Reading Parents Morning

Please join us on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February for a Guided Reading morning! We will start at 9am in the school hall and then you will have the opportunity to visit your child's class during their Guided Reading session.



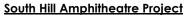
#### Lateness and Persistent Lateness

Arriving late every day will impact your child's learning. The below graph shows how being late every day soon adds up to lost education.



#### Can you Help?

We are still looking for donations of new or very good condition pre loved pants, boys or girls aged 4-8yrs and some plastic bags. Little accidents happen and we would like children to feel as comfortable as possible. Donations to be handed to the school office. Thank you.



The PTA and school are wanting to create an amphitheatre using tyres outside. We are looking for any parent gardeners that are able to help



or know of any professional gardeners to help us. Please contact the school office.

## **Class News - Sycamore**

Sycamore have had a very busy week as usual and worked extremely hard. They have shown great resilience and perseverance solving algebra problems and produced some excellent writing in English, including character descriptions and flashbacks using the past perfect



tense. In computing they impressed Mrs Howard with their existing knowledge in programming and challenged themselves further in their learning. We're loving our new class book - The Final Year by Matt Goodfellow. "Every little thing's gonna be alright."

### Grammar Corner—Kingfishers

In Year 2 Kingfisher class we have been learning about conjunctions and using them in our speech and writing. Conjunctions are words that connect sentences, clauses, or individual words. They act as bridges, enabling



us to form longer, more descriptive sentences. They serve a crucial role in enabling us to construct longer, more intricate sentences that effectively convey our ideas. Without them, we would be confined to short, simple sentences. The **conjunctions** we have been practising using are: because, and, so, but, if, that, when and or.

#### Young Voices - O2 Concert

"Young Voices was a life time experience which involved a ton of dancing and groovy beats. The light show was amazing with cool shapes and it was really colourful. My favourite style of music was upbeat pop which makes you want to start dancing and sing with all your heart." Written by Coby.

"My favourite part was when the lights went out and we could shine our torches and create a sky full of stars." Written by Elif.



#### Parents Phonics Meeting



On Wednesday 17 January we held our first Parents meeting of the year,

specifically for our Y2 parents. Thank you to all that attended. We hope that you took as much information from the meeting as was needed.

#### Order Lunches

A reminder that school dinners must be ordered from home before 8am via the School Gateway app. If your child is absent from school for any reason, Schoolgateway please remember to remove your child's



meal choice for that day and notify the school office of your child's absence. If you require assistance with the School Gateway app, or ordering school dinners, please come to the school office and we will be able to help you.

Yours sincerely Miss Wellbelove Headteacher

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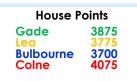
Attendance

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

school		
Wrens	90.7%	
Robins	90.3%	
Goldfinches	95.3%	
Sparrows	96.7%	
Owls	95.9%	
Kingfishers	90%	
Ash	96.7%	
Beech	98.6%	
Holly	97.3% 🔍	
Maple	94.8%	
Oak	94.7%	
Silver Birch	97.7%	
Sycamore	94.7%	
Hazel	94.5%	
Whole school	94.8% 1	

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star of the Week		
Wrens	Ananya	
Robins	Levi	
Goldfinches	Ella	
Sparrows	Grace	
Owls	Quinn	
Kingfishers	Frankie	
Ash	Frankie	
Beech	George	
Holly	Owen	
Maple	Whole Class	
Oak	Vishwa & Louie	
Silver Birch	Millie	
Sycamore	Ethan	
Hazel	Tawheed	

	January
Tuesday 23rd	♦ Y5 Private Tour of Library
Wednesday 24th	<ul> <li>Sparrows Class Assembly 9am</li> </ul>
Thursday 25th	<ul> <li>Y5 Science Workshop (Invited stu- dents only)</li> </ul>
Friday 26th	<ul> <li>Wild West Workshop—EYFS and KS1</li> </ul>
Monday 29th	<ul> <li>Parents Evening appointments go live to Parents this week</li> </ul>
Tuesday 30th	<ul> <li>Deadline for Secondary School Late application</li> <li>Y2 Fire Engine Visit (TBC)</li> </ul>
	February
Friday 2nd	<ul> <li>Y3 Saxon Day</li> <li>NSPCC Numbers day—£1 donation to wear non uniform</li> </ul>
Monday 5th –9th	♦ Mental Health Week
Wednesday 7th	<ul> <li>Kingfisher Class Assembly 9am</li> </ul>
Thursday 8th	<ul> <li>Y5 Egyptian Day Workshop</li> </ul>



# Attachments

Attendance Matters

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