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Thank you to everyone who was able to come along and support our sports day this year. It was a fantastic morning, with everyone having fun and trying their best. The morning consisted of a carousel of activities for EYFS and KS1, followed by races for the whole school. Thanks also must go to the year six children and the students from The Hemel Hempstead school who helped. The KS2 carousel is on Monday 15th July at 9 am.



### Poetry First Prize

We are absolutely thrilled to share the news that Aiden in Year 5, has won The Marlowes Olympic poetry competition! We are delighted that Aiden felt inspired to write an Olympic poem and as a result the school received the £1000 prize. Well done Aiden for writing a winning poem. Aiden was invited to receive the cheque for the school at the Marlowes from the Mayor on.



### Unisong—School Choir—20.06.24

Here's a photo of choir members taking part in Unisong at St John's Church. It is an amazing singing event where the pupils join with other schools and learn new songs together. Many thanks to all our supporters who enjoyed the concert at the end of the day.



### School Council News

On Tuesday the School Council visited Mountbatten Lodge. The pupils were helping the residents play some summer games which included skittles, javelin, push the puck and summer bingo.



### Author of the Month—Elaine Wickson

Author of the Month is Elaine Wickson. She lives in Oxford with her husband and two sons and has written stories since she was a child. She likes to think of herself as a professional daydreamer and is often found in the Plotting Shed at the bottom of her garden, where all her ideas germinate. If you like books like Tom Gates or Diary of a Wimpy Kid, then Elaine Wickson's Stan books might just be what you're looking for next.



### Grammar Corner—Ash

Ash Class have been using conjunctions to extend sentences in writing this week, writing their own postcards from another country. Conjunctions are words that join two or more words, phrases or clauses, for example: but, because, for, and yet and so they help to make our writing more interesting and descriptive.

### Sparrows Class News

The children have thoroughly enjoyed sports week where they took part in mini-Olympics. On Wednesday the children participated in group activities in their house colours and then they enjoyed their individual running races. All the children were absolute superstars, and



they were reminded that it is not always possible to win but it is the taking part which counts.

### EYFS—Mead Open Farm Class Trip

On Friday 21 June the Reception children visited Mead Open Farm. This trip is linked to their classroom learning about growth and change in animals and humans and was so much fun. The children had the opportunity to groom a pony, pet some rabbits and travel on a tractor-trailer around the farm. They had lunch in the sun, played in the giant adventure playground, then fell asleep on the way home. A great day out.



### Netball Match—St Cuthbert Mayne School

We played two friendly matches of netball at St Cuthbert Mayne School. We took two teams, including all our Year 5 and 6 netballers. Both teams made a solid start and both teams showed great resilience and teamwork to win both games. The Year 5s won 3-7 and the Year 6 and boys team won 12-18. Excellent netball and sportsmanship was shown.

### Y6 PGL Residential trip

Year 6 represented the school excellently at PGL last week, where they showed bravery, resilience and teamwork. They had a great week in the sun, experiencing new challenges each day and having lots of fun. They say their favourite activity was raft building as so many people fell in the water!



### Forest School

It's campfire season in forest schools for Years 3 and 4! We practised making mini fires with flint and steels and then lit a larger fire to toast bread and marshmallows and cook our own dampers (bread) on sticks!



### Parenting When Separated Programme

The Parenting When Separated Programme is a practical and positive evidence-based course for parents who are preparing for, going through, or have gone through a separation or divorce. It is a six-week course that highlights practical steps parents can take to help their children cope and thrive, as well as coping successfully themselves. The course is free to attend and is open to separated parents from all backgrounds. Scan the QR code to make your booking.



### Dacorum Music Festival

The Dacorum Music Festival will be taking place from 1<sup>st</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> July. There are lots of events on for all ages throughout the two weeks. Information about all of the events can be found here: [Dacorum Music Festival](http://DacorumMusicFestival.hertsmusicservice.org.uk) ([hertsmusicservice.org.uk](http://hertsmusicservice.org.uk))

Yours sincerely  
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Headteacher

Attendance matters Every student, every day  Attendance	
<b>South Hill Weekly Attendance</b> <b>Our target is 97% for the whole school</b>	
Wrens	96.6%
Robins	93.8%
Goldfinches	97.2%
Sparrows	99.3%
Owls	92.7%
Kingfishers	93.3%
Ash	93.1%
Beech	95.3%
Holly	96.9%
Maple	95.2%
Oak	92.4%
Silver Birch	96.8%
Sycamore	97.7%
Hazel	94.1%
<b>Whole school</b>	<b>95.4%</b>

July	
Wednesday 3rd	♦ Art Gallery Day and meet your new teacher—3.30-6pm
Thursday 4th	♦ Y1 Kew Gardens Class Trip ♦ Y4 Trip to St John's Church ♦ New to Reception Green Group Stay and Play 2-2.45pm
Friday 5th	♦ New to Reception Yellow Group Stay and Play 2-2.45pm
Monday 8th	♦ Coffee Morning—KS2 Parents 9-10am ♦ Y6 Production Dress Rehearsal ♦ Street dance additional session today
Tuesday 9th	♦ Y6 Production 2pm, Parents and Carers welcome. No younger siblings please.
Wednesday 10th	♦ Y2 West Wittering class trip late return ♦ Y6 Performance 6pm, no younger siblings please
Thursday 11th	♦ Transition Morning
Friday 12th	♦ Y3 Windsor Castle class trip ♦ No Y4 Swimming
Monday 15th	♦ Rounder tournament 1-4pm invited children only
Tuesday 16th	♦ Street dance performance 9am parents welcome ♦ Summer Serenade 9.45am parents welcome
Wednesday 17th	♦ Y6 Leavers assembly 9am parents invited ♦ Rocksteady concert 2pm parents invited



Star of the Week	
Wrens	Bailey
Robins	Aria
Goldfinches	William
Sparrows	Clara
Owls	Ezra
Kingfishers	Camilla
Ash	Stevie & Aru
Beech	Bailey
Holly	Saviour
Maple	Ive
Oak	Whole Class
Silver Birch	Sophie C
Sycamore	Izzy
Hazel	Rylee

House Points	
Gade	13275
Lea	12850
Bulbourne	12750
Colne	11650

Attachments	
⇒	<b>Storm Basketball summer camp</b>
⇒	<b>Toolbox poster</b>
⇒	<b>Please click on the link below to access all attachments</b> <a href="https://www.southhill.herts.sch.uk/newsletter">Access to all attachments</a> or copy paste the link below <a href="https://www.southhill.herts.sch.uk/newsletter">https://www.southhill.herts.sch.uk/newsletter</a>