

Friday 16th October 2026
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The school council 2026-2027 will be re-designing The South Hill Way (4 R's). They plan to take new photographs and re-write the key messages. To be democratic, they will gather ideas from, pupils, staff and parents. We look forward to gathering the results and improving our South Hill Way.



EYFS & Y1 Harvest Celebration

KS1 and EYFS performed a fantastic assembly on Tuesday for family and friends. Year 2 led the assembly brilliantly, sharing their learning about Harvest and explaining why it is such an important time of year. Everyone joined in with harvest-themed songs and learned about how food is grown before making its way to our plates. Thank you to everyone for your generous donations this week. Your support is greatly appreciated and will help those in need within our local community.



Rainbow Room Harvest

The Rainbow room children enjoyed a range of harvest activities including a sensory tuff tray.



Holly Class Assembly

A huge well done to Year 4 Holly Class for a fantastic class assembly! Thank you to all the parents who came to support and celebrate their amazing work. The children were brilliant, especially their performance of the song 'Like a Roman' which was a real highlight.

Verulamium Class Trip

Year 4 had an amazing time at Verulamium, in St Albans, to explore Roman life and handle artifacts. The guide was impressed by the children's questions and existing knowledge while looking at everyday Roman items. The children were also fascinated by the 2000 year old beautiful mosaics. It was a great day!

Class News from Ash

Year 3 Ash have had a busy week! We created our own Rocks and Soils quiz questions to share with the class in science. We also had a fantastic history trip to Celtic Harmony, travelling back in time to the Stone Age! In maths we have been learning different addition and subtraction strategies. In English we have looked at the features of instructions and used 'bossy' (imperative) verbs in our work. Our ukulele skills are coming along nicely too!



Maths Corner from Robins

This week, Robins have been exploring the numbers 1, 2 and 3. We have been finding groups of 1, 2 and 3 objects and practising subitising, which means recognising how many objects there are without counting them one by one. The children have worked so hard and are really embedding their knowledge of numbers by taking part in fun and engaging activities. Try this at home: Show your child 1, 2 or 3 objects and ask, "How many can you see?" Encourage them to say the number without counting.

Reading Competition Deadline 21.10.26

21st October: South Hill's Reading Competition closes. Please make sure Mrs Masters has your entries by this date.

Scholastic Book Fair – 19.11.26-25.11.26

The book fair will once again be visiting South Hill Primary after school from 3.15pm - 4pm. This is your chance to boost your own library or purchase gifts for others. All while helping the school receive books for our own library. Card or online payment only. Sorry, no cash.

Road Closure – 26.10.26-27.10.26 - Update

The planned road closures for Heath Lane and Anchor Lane has been amended and is now due to be closed during October half term. It now also includes Anchor Lane.

Children In Need 13.11.26

This year we will be supporting Children in Need taking place on Friday 13 November. This will be a non-school uniform day at South Hill. We ask parents to donate to the Children in Need charity via the School Gateway app.

Parent Survey

Children Young People's Mental Health Services (CYPMHS) are asking for parent participation with a survey of your experience of accessing Hertfordshire's Children and Young People's Mental Health Services. Please follow the link.
<https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/t/CR66UF/>

Yours sincerely
Miss Wellbelove
Headteacher

Sport, Health & Wellbeing

Year 5 Oak

Year 5 Oak took part in a tag rugby lesson involving passing and moving the ball backwards to then score a try while running forwards. Also, they looked at dodging to evade the defender, and to run past the defender to score a try themselves. A lot of learning has gone in over the last few weeks to improve their knowledge!



Wellbeing tips

Set routines and schedules

Times for waking up for school or for daily activities at the weekend as well as bedtime routines to make your child feel more safe and reduce daily stress.

Stay active

Encourage outdoor play, take part in clubs and go on family walks to socialise and burn energy.

Talk about feelings

Talk about your own feelings and model them to show there is no need to judge their own feelings. This can allow a child to open up and share their own feelings towards you.



Star of the Week

13.10.2026

Rainbow Room	Whole Class
Wrens	Charlie
Robins	Alya
Goldfinches	Nathaniel
Sparrows	Daniella & Nadev
Owls	Stephany
Kingfishers	Neve
Ash	Arlo
Beech	Harry
Holly	Marley
Maple	William
Oak	Alicja
Silver Birch	Fatima
Sycamore	Bella
Hazel	Bruno

October

Monday 19 th	- Parents evening 4-7pm - Owls, Goldfinches and Sycamore 1-4pm
Tuesday 20 th	Individual and sibling school photographs
Wednesday 21 st	- Sycamore class assembly 8.50-9.30am - Parents' welcome - Parents evening 4-7pm school hall - Y5&6 Cross Country (selected children only)
Friday 23 rd	End of half term finish time 3.15pm
Monday 26 th	- Half Term Week - School closed to all

November

Monday 2 nd	Children return to school 8.40am
Wednesday 4 th	EYFS & KS1 Author visit – Sam Usher
Thursday 5 th	- New to reception parent tour 9.30am - Y6 District cross country TBC
Friday 6 th	- Diwali begins - Boys A Team football – Two Waters School - home
Tuesday 19 th	Y6 Heath Check – School Nurse Visit
Wednesday 11 th	Remembrance Service 10.45 – 11.15am Parents welcome
Friday 13 th	Children in Need – Non Uniform Day
Monday 16 th	Girls football – Potten End School - Home
Wednesday 18 th	- Y6 Heath Questionnaire with school nurse - Boys B Team football – Oakleaf School – home
Thursday 19 th	- Book Fair arrives – 3.15-4pm in KS1 entrance - Parents welcome - Flu Vaccination day - KS2 Author visit – Matt Oldfield - A Team football – St Cuthbert Mayne school

House Points

Gade	0850
Leo	0925
Bulbourne	0850
Colne	0675

Attachments

- Bucks Museum Half Term Activities
- Watford Football Camp SEN and PAN
- PB Soccer School October Half Term

Please click on the link below to access all attachments

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