

Friday 18 September 2026
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The School Council 2026-2027 are:
Year 1, Ella, Jackson, Emma and Christopher. Year 2, Sophia, Atharv, Matthew and Neve. Year 3, Sam, Ekin, Alice and Bradley. Year 4, Chester, Ichika, Ronnie and Ioanna. Year 5, Manfred, Amy, Arthur and Jojo. Year 6, Isaac, Harrison, George and Eliz. I look forward to working with the new school council this academic year.



- it was so inspiring that we wrote some great letters of thanks to him and commented on some of the things that were the same and different.

Digital Leaders

Our new Digital Leaders have been selected and are already hard at work! Their first task is to create their top online-safety tips to help pupils stay safe, sensible and respectful online. We look forward to sharing their advice soon!



Safety Talk With Tom

This is Tom, who helps us cross the road safely. He visited our KS1 assembly last week. He reminded KS1 pupils that they should always be holding an adults hand when crossing the road. Pupils should also wait for Tom to tell them to cross.



Writing Corner—Silver Birch

This week in Silver Birch, the children have been developing similes, metaphors, imagery and personification, to write a free verse poem about the mighty Norse tree called the Yggdrasil. Their descriptions and comparisons have been excellent!



Eco Warriors

The applications for this years Eco-Warriors were phenomenal! Congratulations to the following children who will be helping to make a difference at south Hill over the coming year!

Lily, Maya & Chloe (Ash). Maisie, Ayla-Rose, Skylar A & George (Maple). Lenny M, Amelie, Reuben, Clara, Rylie & Emmanuella (Holly). Elodie & Emilia (Silver Birch). Yugandhara, Cora & Amy (Oak). Daniel, Shaylin & Jacob (Sycamore)



Maths Corner—Goldfinches

Goldfinches have been showing off their counting and subitising skills this week. With a new Maths area to explore, they have been using different manipulatives to represent the same number. The numberblock cubes have been thoroughly enjoyed this week. We have been very impressed with their number skills to 10 so far!



Parent Governor Election

Don't forget to vote and return your ballot paper! Voting closes on Monday 5th October at 9.15 am.



Author Visit MG Leonard

On Tuesday the author MG Leonard came to visit and talked to Years 2-6 about her books. She told us about how she uses things she loves as inspiration for her stories. She has written about beetles, bird watching and doors!

Writing Corner—Owls

This week, we have been learning how to use the conjunctions 'and' and 'but' to join ideas together. 'And' is used to add information: *Augustus looked under a leaf and up a tree.*

'But' is used when we want to show a contrast or something different: *He looked everywhere but he couldn't find his smile.*

News from The Rainbow Room

The children in the Rainbow have been having fun with lots of different science activities this week.



News From Beech Class

Beech class have hit the ground running since returning to school and we have enjoyed learning about the Stone Age. This week, we designed and created our own stone age jewellery using clay and our next step is to colour our creations with natural dyes from plants, flowers and berries using the ancient Japanese art of Hapa Zome.

News From Maple Class

Maple have had a busy but super enjoyable week. We loved the 75th Birthday with dance routines from the 1970's (thank you Don Rae!). Mr. Gibbs also came in to present what life was like at South Hill in the 1950's

Reading Competition

Please see ClassDojo or the school website to access our new reading competition. Entries must be in by Wednesday 21st October.



DSPL8 Newsletter

Please see the latest newsletter from DSPL8, information for SEND support <https://www.dspl8.co.uk/page/?title=Newsletter&pid=6>



Dads Together Parenting Group

Spaces are still available on the Dads Together online parenting group. This is funded by Herts County Council, and the group is open to all Dads who live in Hertfordshire or have a child in a Hertfordshire school.

Yours sincerely,
Miss J Wellbelove
Headteacher

Sport, Health & Wellbeing

Year 6 Sports Leaders 2026/2027

For the next year, our sports leaders will be promoting physical activity throughout break times and lunchtimes by playing games on the EYFS and KS1 playground, as well as referring football and basketball matches on the KS2 playground. Their role will be to inspire and engage pupils to be fit and healthy, and to encourage sports-manship across games too. They are looking forward to their roles for the next year! Our sports leaders are: Stevie, Dan, Frankie, Lana, Julian and Daisy.

Year 1 Sparrows PE Lesson

Year 1 Sparrows had a fun and engaging lesson that focused on the topic of sliding and throwing a bean-bag to hit a target. They worked in pairs to score as many points as possible together, before competing against each other. Sparrows listened very well to instructions and had very good technique throughout the lesson!



Star of the Week

	18.09.26
Rainbow Room	Whole Class
Wrens	Oscar
Robins	Vlad
Goldfinches	Albie
Sparrows	Nadine
Owls	Kevin
Kingfishers	Larissa
Ash	Lily
Beech	Ralph
Holly	Nazmi
Maple	Eduard
Oak	Alex
Silver Birch	Jojo
Sycamore	Ruby
Hazel	Leo

September	
Tuesday 29th	◆ Y5 Crucial Crew class trip ◆ How to TEACH YOUR CHILD TO READ—Parent Workshop - 9-9.30am ◆ Y6 WW2 Day
Wednesday 30th	◆ Ash class assembly ◆ Flu Vaccination day ◆ KS2 Harvest—St Johns Church 2pm start parents welcome
October	
Thursday 1st	◆ School census day— Please have a school lunch
Wednesday 7th	◆ International Day ◆ EYFS & KS1 performance 2pm Parents welcome ◆ KS2 performance 2.30pm parents welcome
Thursday 8th	◆ Y4 Verulamium class trip ◆ New Parent Tour 9.30am
Tuesday 13th	◆ Y3 Celtic Harmony class trip ◆ EYFS, KS1 Harvest—School hall 9am parents welcome Harvest Donations to the school office please
Wednesday 14th	◆ Holly class assembly 8.50-9.30am
Monday 19th	◆ Parents Evening 4-7pm
Tuesday 20th	◆ School Photographs, Individual and Siblings

Attachments

- ◆ Half Term Camp October Leverstock Green
- ◆ Parenting SEND Children when Separated
- ◆ Children's Wellbeing Practitioner Workshop
- ◆ Game 1—Storm Basketball
- ◆ Brownies—Spaces Available
- ◆ Masterclass Healthy Eating
- ◆ Masterclass Limited Diet
- ◆ BZ Families
- ◆ Dads Together Parenting Group

[Please follow the link here to see all attachments via our school website](#)