South Hill Primary School Newsletter

Building Character, Learning Together

Friday 17 May 2024 Headteacher: Miss J Wellbelove



Well done to Year 6 Hazel and Year 6 Sycamore who sat their SATs papers this week! Our pupils have worked incredibly hard and we are very proud of them all.

Letter from The Mayor, Cllr William Allen

We were delighted to receive a letter from The Mayor, thanking us for our contribution to the Lockers Park musical jamboree last week. He said the energy and skills of our choir were fantastic. He also



thanked Mrs Toms, music lead for her hard work and to all other staff involved. It really was a lovely event.

The Marlowes Olympic Poetry Competition

We hope that the children felt inspired by the visit of poet Joshua Seigal! It would be great if your child could enter the poetry competition and help the school to win a prize!



The deadline is Friday 7th June and entries

must be handed in to the customer service desk at the Marlowes Shopping Centre. Details are attached.

Water Bottles

A reminder that all children should bring a water bottle to school that can be refilled as required. This is really important during the warmer weather so that the children can stay hydrated during the day.

Mental Health Awareness Week 13.5.24

This week is organised by the Mental Health Foundation. This year's theme is 'Movement: moving more for our mental health'. We all know movement is important for our mental wellbeing, it boosts our mood and helps us look after our health. However, many of us may find it difficult to prioritise for several reasons.



Lots of resources were shared with staff at South Hill on how they can assist children with talking about their mental health and understanding their emotions.

If you would like to find out more about supporting your mental wellbeing or tips to help support your child, please visit the Mental Health UK webpaae:

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Wrens Class News

Wrens have had a wonderful week of learning. We have been focusing our learning around the book 'The Gingerbread Man'. We have loved our science experiment testing out gingerbread men in different liquids and observing what changes have happened over the week. We



have written thought bubbles for different characters in the story and we have really enjoyed role playing in our fairytale castle.

<u>Grammar Corner—Silver Birch</u>

In English, we have been looking at Boy In The Tower (a fantastic book - highly recommended) and have just

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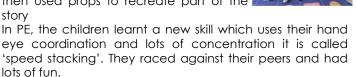
finished writing an information leaflet about an invasive plant species called Bluchers. We have worked on the formality of our voice and tried - TOWER to make it sound governmental and official. This meant not contracting our modal verbs, for example:



Should not (formal) vs. shouldn't (informal). We will (formal) vs. we'll (informal).

Sparrows Class News

Sparrows have enjoyed another super week of learning. In English the children have been exploring the book 'Room on the Broom' by Julia Donaldson. The children noticed rhyme in the text and then used props to recreate part of the story



Forest School

Years 3 and 4 are enjoying their forest school sessions this term. They've created woodland characters by whittling hazel twigs and woven willow (lopped by themselves) into wreaths and crowns.



Non Uniform Day—Friday 24 May

At the suggestion of our School Council to help our local community, we are holding a non-uniform day on Friday 24 May. We are askina for donations of tins and toiletries that will be given to DENS to help those in need.



Please give your donations to your class teacher. We have attached a copy of the list of possible donations. Thank you for your kind support.

Y 6 Sats Breakfast

We welcomed our Year 6 pupils into school early this week to enjoy breakfast with their classes as a boost before their SATs. It was lovely to see smiles on the faces of our Year 6 pupils.



Yours sincerely Miss Wellbelove Headteacher







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Attendance

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

school		
Wrens	95.2%	
Robins	97.2%	
Goldfinches	89.3%	
Sparrows	96.4%	
Owls	96.3%	
Kingfishers	93.4%	
Ash	93.7%	
Beech	98%	
Holly	91.1%	
Maple	92.7%	
Oak	95.9%	
Silver Birch	93.3%	
Sycamore	100% 👱	
Hazel	95.5%	
Whole school	94.9%	

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Wrens	Adiyan	
Robins	Reggie	
Goldfinches	Aiyla–Rose	
Sparrows	Maisie	
Owls	Arwa	
Kingfishers	Maggie	
Ash	lannis	
Beech	Yigit	
Holly	Oliver & Whole Class	
Maple	Josh & Whole Class	
Oak	Henry	
Silver Birch	Orkun	
Sycamore	Whole Class	
Hazel	Whole Class	

	May	
Monday 20th	* *	Art Week Coffee Morning 9am—Parents of siblings
Tuesday 21st	•	Herts Cricket taster day—EYFS-Y3
Wednesday 22nd	* *	Y6—Thorpe Park Class Trip EYFS DSSN Sports Event at Leisure Centre—am
Thursday 23rd	* *	Outdoor Learning Day Y6 Top-Up Swimming
Friday 24th	* * *	Non-Uniform Day—Donations of tins/no perishables for DENS End of Half Term—School finishes at 3.15pm Y1 Rugby—PE kit required
Monday 27th- Friday 31st	•	Half term—School Closed
	June	
Monday 3rd	* *	Children return at 8.40am Coffee Morning—Leavers Transi- tion 9-10am
Wednesday 5th	* *	Girls Cricket—Selected students Holly Class Assembly—9-9.30am
Thursday 6th	•	Mixed Cricket—Selected Students



Attachments

Poetry Competition Details DENS donation list

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Family Lives Summer Programme

Please click on the link below to access all attachments <u>Access to all attachments</u> or copy paste the link below https://www.southhill.herts.sch.uk/newsletter