

Friday 23 September 2022

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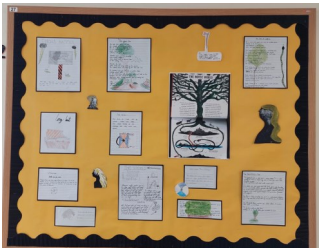
We cannot believe we have only been back for 3 weeks! South Hill is full of learning and pupils are really working hard. New displays are up and look wonderful and our Governing Board have met with staff to share all of our subject leader plans for the year ahead. We hope you have visited your class pages on our website to find out what your child is learning this year.

### News from Year 5 Silver Birch

Silver Birch are enjoying music this half term and exploring different genres of music. So far we have listened to hip-hop, reggae and rock. We think about which instruments we can hear in the music and we learn about where and when the genre originally started. The favourite this week has been rock and we had some fantastic air guitarists and drummers! Share your favourite genre of music or favourite song with your family or friends.

### Year 5 have been learning about the Vikings

Year 5 have been inspired by their Viking learning and have created a display for the school corridor and have written poems about the great Norse tree. A reminder that they will have their Viking Day on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September, so please don't be alarmed when at home time a clan of Vikings appear outside!



### Communication Protocol

The protocol for communication between the school and parents/carers has been updated and will be added to the website shortly. In the meantime, a copy is attached for your information.

### Art Competition - from Mrs Rance

I was excited to introduce the CPRE Hedgerows up Close, art competition to the school recently. It is open to all ages, and pupils are asked to create an A4, 2D piece of artwork around this theme. Please encourage your child to have a go. They can hand their entries to me - Mrs Rance in year 1 Goldfinches - or to Miss Fawcett in year 6 Hazel by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022. I look forward to seeing their wonderful art!



### Year 4 Football Tournament - Report from Mr B

South Hill were invited to enter a year 4 football team in a Lockers Park School tournament yesterday. The children played three games in their group and won them all 1-0. We played Bovingdon in the semi-final and also won that 1-0. In the final we played St Dominic's Catholic Primary School, who we had also played in the group games, and won the final 1-0 to become Tournament winners.

The team played really well throughout, and had a few lucky escapes in games, but showed fantastic determination to win through. Our player of the tournament was Roo, who showed consistently good determination and teamwork in every game. Well done to everyone!

### Parents Maths Morning - Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 9am

We look forward to seeing you at our Maths Workshop on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September. This is a chance to see how our pupils learn Maths and explore the four mathematical operations. You will then be able to see your child/ren learning Maths in class. We look forward to seeing you!

### Ash Assembly

Ash class had their class assembly on Wednesday and shared all they have learned so far about The Stone Age, showcasing their charcoal cave art and ending with their Stone Age rock song.



### Early Drop Off

Please note that if you have a child attending an early morning club you may use the car park to drop off, but we request that, if you have other children who attend South Hill, you leave the car park and return on foot with other children at 8.40 am. If this is very inconvenient please enquire about Games Club or Library Club which are also before school. Thank you for your co-operation.

### World War II Day

Year 6 had an immersive day this Thursday as an evacuee child during WWII. They took part in shelter building, codebreaking, letter writing and 1940s dancing. It was wonderful to see all the children dressed up and enjoying their 'hook' day.



"It was a really great day and it felt like we were really evacuated." Eden - Sycamore

"We all enjoyed WWII day - codebreaking was fun but I really enjoyed the dancing the most." Milkha - Sycamore

### Maths Corner

Each week, this term, we will give some maths tips in our maths corner in the newsletter. This week we are talking about "arrays". An arrangement of objects, pictures, or numbers in rows and columns is called an array. Arrays are useful representations of multiplication concepts. This array has 3 rows and 2 columns. It can also be described as a 3 by 2 array. Pupils can draw arrays with dots to help them solve multiplication and division calculations. This array helps us work of  $3 \times 2 = 6$  or  $2 \times 3 = 6$ .



### Attendance Matters!



Congratulations to Maple who have the best attendance over the past 5 days at 98%. You hit the school target!

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely

*J Wellbelove*      *L Wren*

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Star of the Week	
Robins	Joey
Wrens	Lucy
Goldfinches	Otis
Sparrows	Lizzy
Owls	Iannis
Kingfishers	Eliz
Ash	Noah
Beech	Emily
Holly	Violet
Maple	Annabel
Oak	Lara
Silver Birch	Sean
Sycamore	Whole class
Hazel	Mimi

## Morning Games Club

### Year 2 and Above

Don't forget Mr B's friendly, fun Morning Games Club which starts at 8.00am. At only £3.50 per session, your child can start their day in a fun, friendly way.

Please book in advance; regular and ad hoc bookings are welcome.

Please contact the school office for more information.

Please note, breakfast is NOT included.

### Be a Governor!

There is still time to submit your nomination for school governor; further information is on the school website. The closing date is Monday 26 September.

### KS2

#### After School Clubs 3.20-4.15 pm

- **KS2 Girls Football - Monday**  
Years 3 - 6
- **Netball Club - Tuesday**  
Years 4, 5 & 6
- **Football Club - Thursday**  
Years 3 & 4
- **Football Club - Friday**  
Years 5 & 6

### KS1

#### Lunch Time Club

- **Girls Football - Thursday**  
Years 1 & 2

Please check with the office for availability

## Dates for your Diaries

### September

Tuesday 27	• Rearranged beach trip for Year 3
Wednesday 28	• Maths workshop for parents (all years) 9.00 am
Friday 30	• Year 5 Viking Workshop in school

### October

w/c 3	• Black History week
Wednesday 5	• <b>Holly</b> class assembly, 8.55 am in the school hall ( <b>this is a change of class</b> )
Monday 10	• Living eggs arrive for Year 2
Tuesday 11	• Harvest assembly for Reception and Key Stage 1, 9.00 am in the school hall
Wednesday 12	• How to Teach Reading Parents Meeting (EYFS) in Wrens classroom, 9.00 am • Harvest Festival for Key Stage 2, 2.00 pm at St John's Church • Y6 KS2 SATS information evening, 6.00 pm
Monday 17	• Parents' Evening 4.00-7.00 pm
Wednesday 19	• Individual and sibling school photographs
Wednesday 19	• Parents' Evening 4.00-7.00 pm
Friday 21	• Living Eggs chicks leave today

### Half Term Break 24-28 October

## Secondary Transfer 2023

### For Parents/Carers of children in year 6 applying for a place in secondary school for September 2023

- The online admissions process is now open
- The deadline is 31 October 2022

### [APPLY HERE](#)

Open evenings:

Adeyfield	Thursday 6 October
The Hemel Hempstead	Saturday 1 October
John F Kennedy RC	Wednesday 28 September/ Tuesday 4 October (2 parts)
Laureate Academy	please contact the school
Longdean	Monday 3 October

### Attachments

- Communication protocol
- Dates for parents - **updated**  
**Recently Added On Website**  
**(on Newsletter page unless specified)**
- Governor nomination form and further