

Friday 15th December 2023
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We have had a busy week! Well done to Robin and Wrens for their Nativity play this week. The pupils did us proud with lovely singing and dancing.



What a wonderful KS2 Carol Service in the beautiful setting of St John's Church. Thank you to Father Mike for hosting us and celebrating with us.

Christmas Dinner today ended the week!

Class News - Wrens

Wrens and all of EYFS have performed their nativity production Wiggly Nativity. The children have worked very hard and it was a pleasure to watch all of the effort that they have put into this production. Thank you to parents for watching and supporting us.



Grammar Corner—Ash

Ash have been learning about changing singular nouns to plurals. For example, one tree becomes lots of trees and a bus becomes buses. We have also been practising using 'a' and 'an' in the correct place.



Y3 Pirate Day

Year 3 became pirate crew for the day on Tuesday 12 December and had an amazing time. They made hats to complete their great costumes and enjoyed a variety of pirate-themed activities. They ended the day by singing their own sea shanties which they had written in English lessons last week. AAAAGH! A swashbuckling time was had by all!!



Staff News

We say goodbye to Mrs Ghedia at the end of this term. We thank her for being part of our South Hill team and wish her every success for the future. Mr Osborn will be the new teacher for Silver Birch in January.



We also say goodbye to Miss Finnis and wish her all the best. Mrs Woodgate will be the new TA in Beech class. We welcome Ms Shaban to Year 3 Ash in January as the afternoon TA.

KS2 Carol Service and Boxmoor Light Switch on

On Saturday 2 December the choir members braved the freezing weather to bring some Christmas cheer to Boxmoor village. They sang alongside Boxmoor Primary School choir and they sounded amazing. Many thanks to parents for supporting us!



KS2 visited St John's Church for a wonderful uplifting service. The singing was a delight and our soloist sang beautifully and with confidence. Well done Jacob.

Choir—Mountbatten Lodge

South Hill Choir went to Mountbatten Lodge Care Home on Thursday 7 December to bring some Christmas cheer by singing a variety of Christmas songs. It was lovely to see the elderly singing along to the songs they remember.



Non Uniform Day—Christmas Jumper day

This year's Christmas jumper day and non uniform days will be Monday, to coincide with the silent disco, and Wednesday for our last day of term. We are not asking for any money for these days. Its just for fun!



Lateness and Persistent Lateness

Please can we remind parents and carers that classes open for morning drop off at **8.40am**. We provide a soft start to the day in which pupils can come in from **8.40am** and access a short task such as reading or handwriting. Doors and gates close at **8.50am**. **If you have to drop your child to the top office, this means they are late.**



Clubs

Don't forget to book morning, lunch and after school clubs for Spring Term 2024. Some places are limited. Advance booking is essential. Payments can be made via the School Gateway app. We will no longer be able to take ad hoc bookings for Morning Games Club and Library Club. This must be booked in advance.



Reading Challenge

We have attached a reading challenge for the children to complete over the Christmas holidays. When a task has been completed, tick the box on the form. Tick as many boxes as you can, then return the form to Mrs Masters for the chance to win a prize. Paper copies of the task are available at the school office if required.



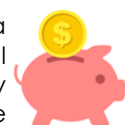
Electric Umbrella Visit

'Kindness isn't just for Christmas' is now available to download from your chosen music platform. You never know, it could be this year's Christmas number one. Follow the link here to listen. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JeWjGmWDmM>



Healthy Start—Food Assistance

If you are more that 10 weeks pregnant, have a child under the age of 4 or receive Universal Credits you may be entitled to help to buy healthy food and milk. Please follow the link here <https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/how-to-apply/> to make your application.





Yours sincerely
Miss Wellbelove
Headteacher

Attendance matters
Every student, every

South Hill Weekly Attendance

Our target is 97% for the whole school

Wrens	95.5%
Robins	92.3%
Goldfinches	89.7%
Sparrows	90.3%
Owls	94.8%
Kingfishers	88.3%
Ash	93.3%
Beech	99% 
Holly	91.7%
Maple	89.3%
Oak	94%
Silver Birch	93.7%
Sycamore	96.5%
Hazel	89.3%
Whole school	92.7% 



Star of the Week

Wrens	Arlo
Robins	Indiana
Goldfinches	Lucy
Sparrows	Isabella
Owls	Colby
Kingfishers	Lara
Ash	Taylor
Beech	Lottie
Holly	Libby
Maple	Gabriel
Oak	Saraya
Silver Birch	Tyler
Sycamore	Anuar
Hazel	Zubin & Jacob

December	
Monday 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No lunch or after school clubs this week unless stated below. Silent Disco—All children—during the school day. Non-uniform day
Wednesday 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Street Dance Lunch Club today School finishes at 1.15pm Christmas Jumper day
January	
Monday 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School open for children 8.40am Morning Games Club and Library Club begin—Pre booked places only.
Tuesday 9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final New Parent Reception Tour 9.30am
Wednesday 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y1 Victorian Day
Monday 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All lunch and after school clubs begin this week Reception application 2024 closes today.
Tuesday 16th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Voices at O2 Arena
Wednesday 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents Phonics Meeting Reception Screening—School Nurse
Thursday 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Census Day—Alternative Lunch Menu today.

House Points	
Gade	3175
Lea	2950
Bulbourne	3075
Colne	3400

Football
Our South Hill Girls (Lionesses) played a football match on Thursday 7 December against Hobletts Manor School. Our Lionesses took the lead with some excellent passing. The games finished 2-0. Goals scored by Violet and Daisy. The player of the match was Sophie C, for fantastic goal saving.

Attachments

⇒ [Reading Challenge](#)

Please click on the link below to access all attachments

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