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South Hill School Values

We would like to remind our families of the core values that we promote at South Hill School. We call these The 4Rs, which are also known as 'The South Hill Way'.



- Reflect**
- Responsibility**
- Resilience**
- Respect**

We have linked them to British values which all schools promote. The British values are: **democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty** and **mutual respect and tolerance** of others.

EYFS Phonics - Parent Session

We are inviting EYFS (Reception) parents to join us on Thursday 24th October to see how we teach phonics to your child. This session will be invaluable so that you know how to be able to help your child at home. The session will commence after family reading in the morning at 8.50 am. You will be finished by 9.20 am. We look forward to seeing you.



Be Bright Be Seen

Ahead of the clocks going back, we will be encouraging children to think carefully about being safe and visible in the mornings and evenings when there is little light.



We will talk about this in assemblies. Children will be encouraged to stop, look and listen, and to think before they cross the road. We will also discuss reflective clothing and wearing bright clothing. A game recommended by our Herts travel advisor is here <https://www.think.gov.uk/resource/be-bright-be-seen-game/>

Ash Class Assembly

Ash Class travelled back in time for their class assembly. They showcased their amazing knowledge about Stone Age people and their lifestyle. They also demonstrated how to build an expanded noun phrase using adjectives. The assembly ended with a catchy rendition of 'We Will Rock You' (Stone Age style).



Language Visit

Year 6 had a lovely visitor on Thursday called James, a year 13 student from The Hemel Hempstead School. He told us about his German A level and how he went to Germany for two weeks over the summer holiday with the UK-German Connection.



Year 6 Class News

In **English**, we've been reading the historical fiction novel *Letters from the Lighthouse*, set during World War II. We have been captivated by the story and wrote detailed diary entries from the perspective of one of the



characters. In **Maths**, we have explored factors, multiples, and products, using this to strengthen our problem-solving skills. To top off the week, we had an exciting trip to **Camelot Rugby Club** for a sports festival. It was a fantastic day, filled with teamwork, fun, and new challenges. The pupils represented the school brilliantly and had an absolute blast!

Grammar Corner

For grammar last week in Year 4 we have been learning about verbs and adverbs. Verbs are doing words and adverbs describe a verb, for example, sneak quickly.



This is going to help us write a persuasive speech based on the book, 'The King who Banned the Dark'. To help us with using these different types of words we have been creating sentences to warn people about the dangers of the dark. A sentence we created was 'The dark will sneak into the house and quickly steal your toys'.

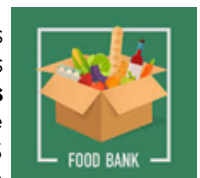
Staff News

Mr Donley, our Premises Manager, will be leaving South Hill School this term. Mr Donley will be greatly missed by staff, pupils and parents and we would like to thank him for all his hard work at our school. His last day at South Hill is Friday 11th October.



Harvest Celebrations

Our chosen charity for donations this year is DENS homeless shelter. We asking parents to make a **donation of food/non-food items on Tuesday 8th October**. We have attached a list of high need items that DENS are asking for. Please take some time to look at the list and donate whatever you can on Tuesday 8th October.



Yours sincerely
Miss Wellbelove
Headteacher

The South Hill Way			
Reflect	Responsibility	Resilience	Respect
We listen carefully to everybody	We follow our school and class rules...	We all have the right to express our own opinions and views.	We value our different backgrounds and beliefs.
We are responsible for our own progress and learning...	We make good choices and learn from our mistakes.	We show respect to everyone even if we disagree with them.	We are polite and have good manners.
We value every person equally...	We keep ourselves and others safe...	We have freedom to make our own choices.	We help others to learn and fulfil their potential...
Democracy	The Rule of law	Individual liberty	Mutual respect and tolerance

Attendance matters
Every student, every day

South Hill Weekly Attendance

Our target is 97% for the whole school

Wrens	97.2%	
Robins	96.3%	
Goldfinches	96.9%	
Sparrows	99%	
Owls	97.2%	
Kingfishers	97.4%	
Ash	97.3%	
Beech	96.7%	
Holly	96.3%	
Maple	99.3%	
Oak	96.7%	
Silver Birch	95.3%	
Sycamore	96%	
Hazel	93.2%	
Whole school	96.8%	



Star of the Week

Wrens	Zoya
Robins	Teona
Goldfinches	Harry
Sparrows	Camelia
Owls	Marley
Kingfishers	Arlo
Ash	Kaylen
Beech	Naathan & Alex B
Holly	Jude G
Maple	Daisy
Oak	Teddy
Silver Birch	Freddie
Sycamore	Katie
Hazel	Max

October	
Tuesday 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ KS1 Harvest 9 am School Hall ◆ Donations for DENS received at the KS2 Entrance
Thursday 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Sports Network Games—Y3—Children to wear PE kit today
Monday 14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Y5 Bikeability week commences ◆ Y6 SATs Meeting—5.30 School Hall
Tuesday 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ New parents Tour—Reception 2025 9.30 am
Wednesday 16th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Sycamore Class Assembly 9 am—Parents Welcome ◆ Mr Masters Assembly and Bible gifts—Y3
Friday 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Sports Ambassador trip—TBC
Monday 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Parents evening 4-7 pm
Tuesday 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Y3 Celtic Harmony Class Trip ◆ Wrens Parents' Consultation 9 am -12 pm — Headteacher's Office
Wednesday 23rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ School photograph day (individual) ◆ Parents Evening 4-7 pm
Thursday 24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ EYFS phonics session — parents welcome 8.50-9.20 am
Friday 25th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Last day of half term—School finishes at 3.15/3.20 pm
Monday 28—Friday 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Half Term

Attachments

- ⇒ DENS High Need Items
- ⇒ Cascade Camp
- ⇒ Storm Basketball Game
- ⇒ Halloween Camp
- ⇒ October Camp

⇒ Please click on the link below to access all attachments
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