

Friday 26 September 2025
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The South Hill Celebration Tree has shed its leaves ready for a new year of celebration. We are aware that our pupils have lots of special talents and some attend clubs or have hobbies that they enjoy out of school. As Headteacher, I love to celebrate these experiences. Pupils can share with me their out of school successes such as: making a cake at home, receiving a sports trophy, acting in a performance or overcoming a fear, and in return they will receive a leaf to add to our celebration tree. Pupils can bring in their certificates to show me too! I look forward to sharing these talents!



Summer Reading Challenge

Over 30 children took part in our summer reading challenge over the long school holidays. Well done to all that took part. Certificates were issued last Friday.



Maple Class News

Maple have had a fantastic week. In English, we started a new book called 'The King who banned the dark' and have started working on our persuasive writing and speaking skills! In History, we learnt about five Roman rulers (many of whom tried to invade Britain) and we also linked this to our Art work, where we have really enjoyed re-creating Roman inspired mosaics using an ICT programme.



Come and Watch your Child Learn Morning

You are invited to watch your child learn on Thursday October 2nd. Come and join Miss Wellbelove, Mrs Farmery and Mrs Carver for a short talk in the school hall at 9am. After that, you will be able to visit your child's classroom whilst they have their English lesson! This is a lovely opportunity to join us and become part of the learning. See you there!



International Day—16.10.25

Save the date as we celebrate International Day at South Hill Primary school, children are to come to school dressed to represent the flag their year group has been allocated.



School Census Day—Help Needed

The Government asks the school to collect important information about each student. This helps the school get the right funding from the Government to plan resources like teachers and classrooms and provide extra support where needed. The funding is based on the number of school meals taken on this day. Please help us achieve the assistance we need, by ordering a school meal for your child on this day. Thursday 2 October.



SPaG Corner

This week in Goldfinches, we have been learning how to recognise, write and say our capital letters. The children have enjoyed matching upper case and lower-case letters together, forming capital letters with beads, cubes and playdough as well as some much-loved alphabet singing. We have noticed that most capital letters are spikey! This is something that has helped us recognise the differences between our letters.



Trampolining

Our PE lead, Mrs Howard organised for all of our pupils to visit the sports centre to have a trampolining session. The Sports Centre said 'We really enjoyed welcoming South Hill to the workshops this week. The classes were a credit to the school – so well behaved! Really hope they had fun. We hope our children enjoyed it!'



Lost Property

The lost property box, will be available to view from the KS1 door on Fridays, before and after school. The lost property box is once again brimming with unnamed items. Please name your child's property, so that it can be returned to the correct owner.



Absence in School

It can be tricky deciding whether to keep your child off school when they are unwell. Please follow this link and it will help you decide if your child should be in school or at home <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> The school office would also like to remind you that your child should remain home for a further 48 hours after their last bout of sickness or diarrhoea, to make sure that they are well enough to return and that they do not pass this on to other pupils or staff. If your child is absent for any reason, please contact the school office by 8.40am on the 1st day of absence. Thank you.



Secondary School Applications - Important

The application window is now open, for all Secondary School applications. All applications are to be made online direct to County Admissions via the following link [Secondary and upper school places | Hertfordshire County Council](#)



The deadline date is 31 October, although County advise that you make the application earlier to prevent possible delays due to technical difficulties.

Yours sincerely,
Miss J Wellbelove
Headteacher

Attendance  Attendance matters
Every student, every day 

South Hill Weekly Attendance

Our target is 97% for the whole school

Wrens	94.5%	
Robins	98.6%	
Goldfinches	97%	
Sparrows	96.3%	
Owls	97.6%	
Kingfishers	95%	
Ash	97.9%	
Beech	97.9%	
Holly	96.3%	
Maple	97.3%	
Oak	97.3%	
Silver Birch	96%	
Sycamore	95.2%	
Hazel	96.6%	
Whole school	96.5%	



Star of the Week

	26.09.25
Wrens	Ottillie
Robins	Ezra
Goldfinches	Francesca
Sparrows	Rory
Owls	Farya
Kingfishers	Michelle
Ash	Juno
Beech	Alishba
Holly	George
Maple	Naathan
Oak	Eliz
Silver Birch	Shaylin
Sycamore	Haseeb
Hazel	Angela

September 2025

- Tuesday 30th
- ♦ Author Visit—Y2-Y6 (Dermot O'Leary)
 - ♦ KS1 Road Safety Talk

October 2025

- Wednesday 1st
- ♦ Holly Class Assembly—8.50am in school hall
 - ♦ Y5 Tag Rugby—Camelot
 - ♦ Y6 Tag Rugby—Camelot

- Thursday 2nd
- ♦ English Morning—Parents welcome 8.50am in school hall then visit classes
 - ♦ School Census Day

- Friday 3rd
- ♦ Y6—World War 2 day—Children to be in period appropriate clothing
 - ♦ Y4 Swimming

- Monday 6th
- ♦ Harvest Donation being collected outside the school office

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 - ♦ KS2 Harvest Celebration—St John's Church 2pm—Parents welcome

House Points

Gade 0
Bulbourne 0
Lea 0
Colne 0

Attachments

- ♦ Storm Basketball—Game 3
- ♦ Basketball October Camp
- ♦ Tech Club October Camp
- ♦ Supporting your child's Motor Development

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