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Wow, what a wonderful Coronation Celebration at South Hill School this morning!

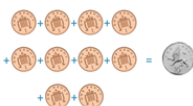
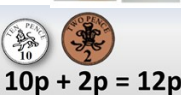
The rain did not stop us as we went to Plan B! Songs were sang, poems were read and flags were waved as we sang for the King!

Thank you for joining us on this momentous occasion as we celebrated as one. Thank you to Mrs Toms and Mr Brathwaite for moving swiftly to plan B as we celebrated in the hall. The disco at the end was incredible. May I wish you all a happy long weekend.



### Maths Corner— EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage)

We are extending our learning beyond 10, to 20. Children need to be able to count forwards and backwards to 20, and also order and write numerals to 20. This week in class we have been learning that 1 in a number represents 10. You could help your child by using pennies, count out 10 pennies and exchange for a 10p coin. Continue to use coins to create amounts to 20, whilst discussing how many 10s and 1s there are.



### Class News—Reception Wrens

FEE-FI-FO-FUM...This week we have been looking at the traditional tale 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We have loved creating our own castles for the Giant in the construction and investigation area. We have been measuring the Giant's footprints with string and rulers in the maths area and we have really enjoyed using footprints to measure the height of various things around the classroom. In the writing area, Wrens have been writing their own letters to different characters in the story, using their brilliant phonics knowledge. We are becoming such fantastic writers!

### NSPCC—Speak out, stay safe

Week commencing 15th May the children will be watching an assembly and completing follow up work on the 'Speak out, stay safe' NSPCC supported learning about safeguarding and how children can access support if needed.



### Assistant Caretaker vacancy – your school needs you!

20 hours per week, Monday to Friday, £10.79 per hour. Duties include routine tasks such as replenishing paper towels and toilet rolls, emptying bins and minor repairs and maintenance. For further information and an application form please contact the school office.



### Y3&4 Production—Pied Piper of Hamelin

Creative arts are really important to us here at South Hill, and this term saw Year 3 and 4 take to the stage in their amazing production of 'The Pied Piper of Hamelin'.

120 pupils took part in the production, with children from Year 4 auditioning for and taking on the principal roles. The show was performed to the whole school, as well as a matinee and packed out evening performance to parents, carers and family members. One of our parents who attended the show said: *I just wanted to say how absolutely amazing the school play was! The children were fantastic, and it was honestly the best thing I've ever come to see. The teachers have clearly worked extremely hard putting this together as was evidenced by the performance last night and I am sure by all of the other performances. Well done to the teachers and to the children, it was such a pleasure to watch!* Year 4 parent



We are incredibly proud of the outstanding efforts of all of our children; the show was fantastic and really highlighted our pupils talents in dance, drama and singing. We can't wait for the next show, by Year 6, in the Summer term!



### Change of Circumstances

Have you experienced a change of circumstances over the Easter break? Are you in need of some financial assistance?



If you have not already done so, please follow this link in order to claim Free School Meals/milk and additional help that the school may be able to offer you. This link is open to all children from all year groups. Within the next few days we will be applying for Food Vouchers to cover the May half term holiday. Don't miss out!



<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/Schools-and-education/At-school/Free-school-meals/Free-school-meals.aspx>

### Attendance

Attendance seems to be dipping for some classes. The average that County expect the school to achieve is 97% overall. We are currently 94.9%. Let's see if we can increase this percentage in the next few weeks.








Every student. Every day.

Yours sincerely  
J Wellbelove  
Miss Wellbelove  
Headteacher

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

<b>Wrens</b>	88.8%	
<b>Robins</b>	90.8%	
<b>Goldfinches</b>	90.5%	
<b>Sparrows</b>	95%	
<b>Owls</b>	97.5%	
<b>Kingfishers</b>	94.6%	
<b>Ash</b>	97.4%	
<b>Beech</b>	94.2%	
<b>Holly</b>	100%	
<b>Maple</b>	95.8%	
<b>Oak</b>	94.6%	
<b>Silver Birch</b>	100%	
<b>Sycamore</b>	90.5%	
<b>Hazel</b>	97.9%	
<b>Whole school</b>	94.9%	



**Star of the Week**

<b>Wrens</b>	<b>Chester</b>
<b>Robins</b>	<b>Rosie</b>
<b>Goldfinches</b>	<b>Anda</b>
<b>Sparrows</b>	<b>Riley</b>
<b>Owls</b>	<b>Frankie</b>
<b>Kingfishers</b>	<b>Advin</b>
<b>Ash</b>	<b>Reg</b>
<b>Beech</b>	<b>Brooklyn</b>
<b>Holly</b>	<b>Saraya</b>
<b>Maple</b>	<b>Douglas</b>
<b>Oak</b>	<b>Lilly-Anne</b>
<b>Silver Birch</b>	<b>Anuar</b>
<b>Sycamore</b>	<b>Sophie</b>
<b>Hazel</b>	<b>Lauren</b>

**Dates for your Diaries**

Enjoy your school holiday. We look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready for Summer Term on Tuesday 18th April. 8.40am

May	
Saturday 6th	◆ Coronation of King Charles III
Monday 8th	◆ Bank Holiday (School closed)
Tuesday 9th	◆ SAT's Week—ALL Y6 CHILDREN TO BE IN SCHOOL, Breakfast for Y6 provided 8.30am in class
Monday 15th	◆ NSPCC 'Speak out, stay safe' talk for all children ◆ Walk to school week ◆ Y2 History Walk 1.30pm ◆ Mini medics ASC
Tuesday 16th	◆ EYFS Mini Olympics at Sport Centre ◆ Y6 Top up swimming (selected children only) ◆ Y6 PGL parents meeting 6pm
Wednesday 17th	◆ Y5 Local area walk ◆ Y2 Kingfishers History Walk 1.30pm
Monday 22nd	◆ ART WEEK ◆ Mike Penning Assembly ◆ World Cultural lunch (alternative lunch menu) ◆ Mini Medics ASC
Tuesday 23rd	◆ Y6 Top up swimming (selected children only)
Wednesday 24th	◆ Y6 Thorpe Park Trip ◆ Wrens Class Assembly 9am ◆ Y5 Shakespeare Workshop
Monday 29th	◆ Half Term—School Closed

**House Points**

<b>Gade</b>	<b>6225</b>
<b>Colne</b>	<b>5100</b>
<b>Bulbourne</b>	<b>4900</b>
<b>Lea</b>	<b>5325</b>

**Attachments**

Recently Added On Website  
(on Newsletter page unless specified)

- ⇒ DSPL8 Parent Newsletter
- ⇒ Dacorum Parents Courses
- ⇒ HFL Online safety