

Friday 19 September 2025
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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.



Punctuality

As we begin another school year, we want to remind everyone that school starts promptly at **8:40am**. Punctuality is essential, as arriving on time allows your child to settle in and engage fully with the day's lessons. A morning task is set for pupils at this time. Late arrivals can disrupt not only your child's learning but also the flow of the class as a whole. Regular punctuality helps ensure your child receives the best possible education and builds important life skills for the future. Thank you for your support in fostering a culture of responsibility and timeliness.



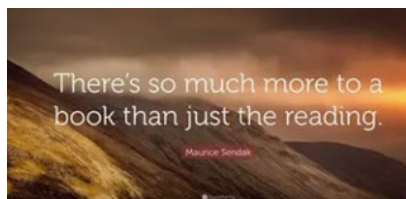
Class News—Oak

Oak class has had a fantastic week. We have planned, written, edited and created some fabulous poems inspired by our Viking topic. By using expanded noun phrases, varied determiners/ways of opening a sentence, along with similes and metaphors, we have written poems we are proud of.



Early Read Workshop

Thank you to the parents who attended the Early Reading Morning on Wednesday. I trust you found it a helpful session on the importance of reading and how to support your child at home. A copy of the presentation is available on the school website if you would like to take a look. If you have any questions about reading, please speak to your child's class teacher or myself at any time. Mrs Masters



Flu Vaccination

This week, South Hill welcomed Vaccination UK to the school. They administer the seasonal flu vaccination to our children. Don't worry if you missed this session, or have yet to give consent. They will be returning for a final session on the 4 December 2025. Please follow the link if you wish to consent for the final date. Please also follow the link if you do not consent as this gives vital



information to Vaccination UK for future reference.
<https://bed.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/hertfordshire>

Author Visit—Dermot O'Leary

On Tuesday 30 November Dermot O'Leary (yes, the Dermot O'Leary) will be visiting South Hill Primary School Y2-6 to discuss his new book "Toto the ninja cat and the pirate treasure hunt". You will be able to purchase a signed copy of his book by following the link <https://www.ourbookshoptring.co.uk/product/toto-the-ninja-cat-and-the-pirate-treasure-hunt/>



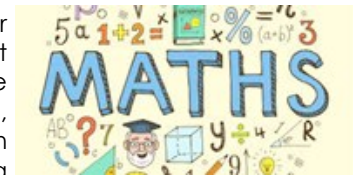
Home Packed Lunch—No Pesto

A reminder that in order to keep all children safe during lunch time, we are asking that parents do not include pesto in their home packed lunches. Even if this is a nut free version. Thank you for your understanding.



Math's Corner

This regular newsletter feature highlights a key part of our math's curriculum: the CPA approach (Concrete, Pictorial, Abstract). Children first explore concepts using concrete materials (e.g. base 10, bead strings), then move to pictorial representations, and finally to abstract methods (e.g. $3 + 6 = 9$). This approach is used from EYFS to Year 6, with daily *Fluency Fitness* sessions helping reinforce learning and build lasting understanding.



Math's Corner—Owls Class

This term in Year 2, we're focusing on place value, using Base 10 equipment to explore tens and ones in two-digit numbers. The children have enjoyed hands-on games to reinforce these concepts. Later this week, they'll use part-part-whole models and work with 1p and 10p coins to deepen their understanding. Through playful and practical activities, we're building a strong foundation in number sense to support future math's success.



Rosh Hashanah

As some of our South Hill families will be celebrating Rosh Hashanah on Tuesday 23rd, we would like to offer all of our families, health, happiness and peace. May this new year bring you joy, love and success.



Yours sincerely,
Miss J Wellbelove
Headteacher

Attendance  Attendance matters
Every student, every day  Attendance

South Hill Weekly Attendance

Our target is 97% for the whole school

Wrens	94.8%	
Robins	97.9%	
Goldfinches	100%	
Sparrows	92%	
Owls	98.6%	
Kingfishers	96.3%	
Ash	97.9%	
Beech	93.4%	
Holly	96.9%	
Maple	96.6%	
Oak	99%	
Silver Birch	95.7%	
Sycamore	97.6%	
Hazel	94.1%	
Whole school	95.9%	



Star of the Week

	12.09.25	19.09.25
Wrens	Dominik	Filip
Robins	Florence	Ezra P
Goldfinches	Milana	Jessie
Sparrows	Minha	Keaton
Owls	Firdaus	Camelia
Kingfishers	Indi	Clay
Ash	Whole Class	Jorja
Beech	Oscar	Ada
Holly	Lara	Kayla
Maple	Grayson	Yugandhara
Oak	Chayse	Bailey
Silver Birch	Taylor	Cody
Sycamore	Tommy-Lee	Evie
Hazel	Ben	Jessie

September 2025

Monday 22nd	Trampolining @ Sport Centre - selected classes
Tuesday 23rd	- Rosh Hashanah –Jewish new year - KS2 Mad Science Club Starts
Wednesday 24th	- Trampolining @ Sport Centre - selected classes - EYFS Parent Coffee Morning 8.50-9.50am
Friday 26th	- European Day of Languages - Y4 Swimming - Y4 Lockers Park Football Tournament - selected children
Tuesday 30th	- Author Visit—Y2-Y6 (Demot O'Leary) - KS1 Road Safety Talk
October 2025	
Wednesday 1st	Holly Class Assembly—8.50am in school hall

House Points

Gade 0
Bulbourne 0
Lea 0
Colne 0

Attachments

- Mulligans After School Offer
- Wellbeing Workshop

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