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Why is school attendance important?

Being in school, **on time, every day is so important!**

This is for academic achievement, wellbeing and wider development. Statistically, children who have good attendance are more likely to pass their Year 1 phonics, Year 6 SATS, Year 11 GCSEs which supports them in their life. Being in school helps children learn how to build positive relationships, supports mental health and wellbeing. Attendance at school is crucial to prepare your child for successful transition to secondary school and adulthood.



Coffee Morning/Afternoon—11.03.24

There is a change to the original information sent out. We will be holding a coffee afternoon/afternoon tea beginning at 2pm and our target audience is families with SEND needs. We are looking forward to seeing you at the revised time of 2pm.



Summer Term Clubs

The Clubs timetable is now live. All clubs run by the school can be booked and paid for online via the School Gateway app. External clubs must be booked direct with them, (unless you are in receipt of benefit related Free School Meals, you would need to see Mrs Coombs in the school office to make the application for you).



World Book Day

What a great day was had by all. The children looked magnificent in their outfits and it was good to see teachers in costumes too! This week, the children have learnt a lot about the poet, Joseph Coelho and shared some of his poems as well!



Virtual Author Visit—Michael Rosen

This week, as part of book week, our pupils had an online session organised by the British Library. A representative from the library, authors Micheal Rosen and Jasbinder Bilani and illustrator Allen Fatimaharan spoke to the children about traditional tales and gave them inspiration to write fairy stories of their own. They also answered questions we had posed as a school. We were excited to hear our school's name!



Year 1 Sports Taster Afternoon

Last Thursday afternoon, Year 1 were invited to the Dacorum Sports Network event. The children enjoyed taking part in a wonderfully organised carousel of sports, which included a fully choreographed dance routine, learning how to bowl a cricket ball and hit the stumps, having a ride on the balance bikes and lots of other throwing and catching activities.



Grammar Corner—Hazel

This week, we have revised many grammar skills in preparation for SATs but there has been one in particular that keeps trying to trip us up. The apostrophe!

An apostrophe is used for one of two reasons:

To signify possession (the dog's tail, the boy's trousers). When the owners of the item are plural, the apostrophe goes AFTER the plural s (the dogs' tails, the boys' trousers).

I am - I'm
do not - don't
cannot - can't
I would - I'd
we would - we'd

To show that a letter has or letters have been omitted – so can't (instead of cannot), don't (instead of do not)

Class News—Ash

Ash class have had a busy week! As well as practising for our upcoming production, we've been researching our focus scientists, Elsie Widowson and Greg Whyte. We've learnt about unit and non-unit fractions in maths. In French we are learning the names of shapes (les formes). In English we've been reading poetry by Joseph Coelho and we had great fun dressing up for World Book Day!





Slam Dunking into Secondary School

This week, Hazel Class enjoyed a basketball taster activity at The Hemel Hempstead School. The students were greeted by a member of the PE department and had the opportunity to practise their teamwork and spatial awareness skills through basketball drills such as dribbling and shooting. To end the session, the class put their newfound skills to the test by playing a mini basketball game. The class brought enthusiasm and energy to the court and enjoyed the session immensely.





Yours sincerely
Miss Wellbelove
Headteacher



Attendance  Attendance matters
Every student, every day  Attendance

South Hill Weekly Attendance

Our target is 97% for the whole school

Wrens	92.8%
Robins	96%
Goldfinches	96.2%
Sparrows	96.7%
Owls	94%
Kingfishers	96.7%
Ash	96.3%
Beech	97.3% 
Holly	95%
Maple	95.7%
Oak	94.7%
Silver Birch	90.3%
Sycamore	96.1%
Hazel	94.1%
Whole school	95.1% 



Star of the Week

Wrens	Chloe
Robins	Ralph
Goldfinches	Helena
Sparrows	Ismail
Owls	Lizzy
Kingfishers	Connie
Ash	Shay
Beech	Lottie
Holly	Saviour
Maple	Whole Class
Oak	Mila
Silver Birch	Douglas
Sycamore	Selin
Hazel	Umair

March	
Monday 11th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Bikeability Week Y5 ◆ Afternoon Tea—SEND parents, 2pm in the DT Room ◆ Girls football v Greenway—home
Tuesday 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Y6 Creative Workshop at Abbots Hill School
Wednesday 13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Owls Class assembly ◆ Rocksteady Concert 2pm Parents welcome
Thursday 14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Y1 Whipsnade Zoo Trip ◆ KS2 Cross Country ◆ Y5&6 selected children Science Workshop—Abbots Hill School
Monday 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Y3 Natural History Museum trip
Tuesday 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ No Game on Lunch Club today ◆ Y3&4 Production Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Y3&4 Production 2pm—Parents Welcome
Thursday 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Wrens Parents Consultation 9am—12pm ◆ Y3&4 Production 6pm—Parents Welcome
Friday 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Y2 Roald Dahl Museum Trip
Monday 25th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Coffee Morning — Siblings — 9-10am ◆ Parent Evening 4-7pm ◆ Street Dance Lunch Club catch up session
Tuesday 26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Y5&6 Football tournament—JFK ◆ Spring Serenade—Street dance 9.10am, Music 9.45am ◆ Gam on lunch club, make up session

House Points

Gade 3875
Lea 3775
Bulbourne 3700
Colne 4075

Attachments

⇒ Easter holiday Camps and Activities

⇒ Please click on the link below to access all attachments
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