



Friday 14 February 2025
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It has been a busy few weeks and pupils have enjoyed lots of activities. Today Year 5 had an Egyptian day and EYFS have had a tiger tea party. What a lovely way to end the half term!

Numbers Day 2025

Last Friday we celebrated NSPCC Number Day. Our assembly focused on why we support NSPCC Number Day and the work the NSPCC does to help children and families all over the country. During the day, children had great fun in maths lessons playing games, completing puzzles and much more. Thank you to all our families for helping us to support NSPCC Number Day; a total of £248.05 was raised.



Bob Marley Birthday Celebrations

On Thursday 6 February, South Hill choir took part in the Young Voices Bob Marley 80th birthday celebrations. "We had a great time singing along with Young Voices worldwide".



Staff News

Mrs Cogger leaves South Hill today as she goes on her maternity leave. We wish her lots of love and look forward to hearing about the arrival of her new baby very soon. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Cavenagh -Mainwaring after half term who will be teaching in Kingfishers with Mrs Masters.

Boys Football—Bridgewater School

South Hill Boys A team played their latest football match on Thursday 6 February, away at Bridgewater School. It took our team a while to settle into the match, but the end result was 3-0 to South Hill. Adi, Roo and Ollie all scored wonderful goals. Player of the match was Adi.

Netball Match - Greenway

On Monday we played a match at home against Greenway. It was very cold and rainy; we all played our hardest by lost 6-8. Most valued player was Phoebe.



Netball Match – Kings Langley

On Tuesday we had another home match, this time against an undefeated Kings Langley team. We played some of our best netball and won 14-4. Most valued player was Merry.



Class News – Sparrows

Year 1 Sparrows have enjoyed some wonderful learning this week. In maths we have been exploring 2D shapes and looking at their properties. We have been learning about different genres of poetry in English and in science we have been completing our unit on "animals including humans", comparing animals and pointing out their differences. On Wednesday we had another fabulous Forest School lesson with Mrs Evans, who creatively linked our Everyday Materials Science learning from last term to the traditional tale The Three Little Pigs.



Maths Corner

This week, Hazel class have started to explore how to multiply fractions.

There are 3 simple steps to multiply fractions:

1. Multiply the top numbers (the numerators).
2. Multiply the bottom numbers (the denominators).
3. Simplify the fraction if needed.

Multiplying Fractions

STEP 1 STEP 2 STEP 3

$$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3 \times 2}{4 \times 5} = \frac{6}{20} \xrightarrow{\text{Simplify?}} \frac{3}{10}$$

To multiply a fraction by a whole number, you can write the whole number as a fraction with a denominator of 1. Then, you can multiply the numerators and multiply the denominators.

by Whole Numbers

$$3 \times \frac{2}{8} = \frac{3 \times 2}{1 \times 8} = \frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{4}$$

Here is a rhyme to help you remember what to do:

♪ "Multiplying fractions: no big problem,
Top times top over bottom times bottom.
"And don't forget to simplify,
Before it's time to say goodbye" ♪

Author visiting KS2, Years 3-6

Ella Dove lost her leg in a freak running accident at the age of 25. She has written a children's book about the celebration of friendship, family and overcoming adversity. Maya's story is uplifting, accessible and full of heart.



Ella will talk to the children about her personal story, why she has written this wonderful children's book and how the children can write their own stories. She will be signing books for the children at the event. Parents can order her book [How to Roller-Skate with One Leg](#) from Our Bookshop in Tring, the host of this author visit. The signed books will be given to your child on the day.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE BOOKSHOP - Please include your child's name and class when ordering so the books can be labelled up.

Safer Internet Day

This year's Safer Internet Day campaign was about protecting children from online scams. Scams are becoming more advanced and can take many forms, from phishing emails to fake images and videos used for blackmail.



Our wonderful digital leaders led a whole school assembly on the topic and shared their tips on how to enjoy life online safely.



To help protect your child from online scams, **Internet Matters** have created a new advice hub, which includes information about the different types of scams, what you and your child can do to prevent them and what to do if your child is a victim of a scam. Please follow the link to find out more bit.ly/4hw72bg

Yours sincerely,
Miss J Wellbelove
Headteacher

Attendance matters
Every student, every day

South Hill Weekly Attendance

Our target is 97% for the whole school

Wrens	93.1%
Robins	94.7%
Goldfinches	94.0%
Sparrows	96.7%
Owls	96.0%
Kingfishers	90.0%
Ash	94.3%
Beech	95.7%
Holly	96.3%
Maple	96.0%
Oak	94.8%
Silver Birch	94.7%
Sycamore	97.1% 
Hazel	94.5%
Whole school	94.9% 



Star of the Week

Wrens	Neve
Robins	Rory
Goldfinches	Michelle
Sparrows	Sherilyn
Owls	Amelie
Kingfishers	Hemani
Ash	Mason
Beech	Toby & Rose
Holly	Shaylin
Maple	Zain
Oak	David
Silver Birch	Jake
Sycamore	Grace
Hazel	Freddy

February 2025

Monday 17th -Friday 21st	◆ Half Term
Monday 24th	◆ Children return to school 8.40 am ◆ Netball match — away at Leverstock Green
Tuesday 25th	◆ International Languages Day ◆ 8.40 am SEND coffee morning
Thursday 27th	◆ Year 1 DSSN session at the Sports Centre 12.30—2.45 pm

March 2025

Monday 3rd	◆ Y6 visit to Lockers Park to meet author 10.30 am
Wednesday 5th	◆ Y2 sports at Laureate Academy
Thursday 6th	◆ World Book Day (pupils to dress up)

House Points	
Gade	3775
Lea	2878
Bulbourne	3500
Colne	2300

Attachments

- ◆ Public Consultation Information
 - ◆ Sporting Kids Half Term Camp
 - ◆ School Nursing Newsletter
 - ◆ Sporting Kids Girls Football
 - ◆ Online Safety Parents' Newsletter Spring 2025
- [Please follow the link here to see all attachments via our school website](#)