# South Hill Primary School Newsletter

Building Character, Learning Together

# Friday 14 June 2024 Headteacher: Miss J Wellbelove



We were delighted to have a visit from an English advisor from Herts who had such lovely comments about the learning at South Hill School! She enjoyed visiting classes and working with us to support all our pupils.

It really is a busy final term and there is lots of learning and fun activities happening at South Hill this term. We wish our Year 6 pupils a fun time at PGL next week!

## Nut Free School

Please note that we are a nut free school. Please help us to protect children who have allergies by ensuring that your child does not bring anything



that contains nuts of any kind to school. Please be mindful of this when providing your child with a packed lunch or break time snack. Some cereal bars contain nuts, so please take extra care with these.

## Vacancies at South Hill- MSA

We have vacancies for Midday Supervisory Assistants to join our team in September. The role consists of helping set up and tidy the dining room at lunch time, supervising the children whilst eating and



out at play, and providing basic first aid. Relevant training and induction will be provided. Hours will be 1 hour a day, Monday to Friday, term time only, at an hourly rate of  $\pounds11.59$ .

Please ask the School Office for a copy of the job description and an application form. Application forms should be returned to the School Office by 9 am on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June.

#### **Donations Required**

KS1 are currently revamping their outdoor learning environment for the children, and we need some wicker baskets. If you have any at home, please could you donate to this very worthy cause and drop them into our school reception.

## Grammar Corner—Goldfinches

This week, Goldfinches have been learning about guinea pigs in preparation for writing our own nonchronological report about them.



Our grammar focus this week was ensuring we were writing a perfect

sentence using a capital letter at the start of a sentence and a full stop at the end of a sentence. We have also been joining our clauses using the conjunction '**and**' in our writing, for example: "Guinea pigs can be kept indoors or outdoors. They need a home that has a large shelter **and** an exercise area." We have also started to use **because** to give a reason.

#### Silver Birch Class News

This week has been an unusual week with tests being woven into our timetable. The children have been wonderfully motivated and dedicated ensuring they have performed even better than expected. We are beginning

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our Visual Literacy topic where we use images as inspiration rather than a text. We first looked at the famous painting "Tiger in a Tropical Storm" by Henri Rousseau and how we could use adverbials to provide additional



descriptive details, looking at how they can provide details on where, how, why or when the action is happening.

#### <u>Y6 Mayan Day</u>

Year six experienced a Mayan day on Monday where they learned about the Mayan way of life through exploring artefacts and completing drama activities. They had lots of fun and



enjoyed taking part, particularly tasting the dark chocolate!

#### Wrens Class Assembly

This week, Wrens class performed our class assembly to parents. It was about the different traditional tales we have learnt. We showed our brilliant writing about 'The Little Red Hen',



'The Three Little Pigs' and 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'. We acted out the story 'The Three Little Pigs' and we particularly enjoyed singing 'The Little Red Hen' song. We all spoke very clearly and had lots of fun.

# Y6 Gospel Choir Workshop

Year 6 attended the Hemel Hempstead School this week to take part in a gospel choir workshop. It was great fun for the children, aiding transition to secondary school for those who will be going to



Hemel Hempstead School and a gospel music experience for all.

#### **Girls Cricket Event**

We took a team of Y5 girls to a Y6 cricket tournament at Hemel Hempstead Cricket Club on Wednesday 5 June. The competition was a round robin format which meant we played all the teams. Our girls won the first game against Abbot's Hill School, with Annabel



scoring our first 6! We lost to St Cuthbert Mayne School and won aginst Bridgewater School, with Merryn taking a catch off the last ball to win the game.

The result meant we finished an excellent second overall, which far exceeded our expectations, as our Year 5 team was playing against Year 6 teams. Well done, girls!

## PTA Colour Run—Saturday 15 June

We are looking forward to seeing lots of colourful people, running tomorrow to help raise funds for school projects. Fingers crossed the weather is kind to us!



Yours sincerely Miss Wellbelove Headteacher





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Attendance matters Every student, every day

Attendance

# South Hill Weekly Attendance Our target is 97% for the whole

school	
Wrens	92.5%
Robins	<b>92</b> .1%
Goldfinches	94.8%
Sparrows	96.4%
Owls	97.3%
Kingfishers	92.3%
Ash	95.3%
Beech	96.7%
Holly	92.4%
Maple	96.3%
Oak	96.6%
Silver Birch	100%
Sycamore	97%
Hazel	93.1%
Whole school	95.2%

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$\rightarrow$ Star of the Week	
Wrens	Whole Class
Robins	Michelle
Goldfinches	Maisy
Sparrows	Whole Class
Owls	Toby
Kingfishers	Whole Class
Ash	Cece
Beech	Lana
Holly	Grace
Maple	Emilia & Sofia
Oak	Mason
Silver Birch	Demir
Sycamore	Freddie
Hazel	Dale

	June	
Saturday 15th	♦ PTA Colour Run	
Monday 17th	<ul> <li>Y6 PGL Residential Trip</li> </ul>	
Tuesday 18th	<ul> <li>Y5 Old Town Hall—Macbeth Screening late return to school</li> <li>Y4 Olympics Day PE kit required</li> </ul>	
Thursday 20th	<ul> <li>Y3-5 choir members performing at St John's Church</li> <li>Y5 Visiting Hemel School to watch a dance performance</li> <li>No top up swimming</li> </ul>	
Friday 21st	<ul> <li>Y6 PGL return</li> <li>Reception Class Mead Open Farm Trip</li> <li>No Roxolid lunch club today</li> </ul>	
Monday 24th	<ul> <li>Coffee Morning—All dads wel- come 9-10am</li> <li>Y4 Scooter Workshop</li> </ul>	
Tuesday 25th	<ul> <li>Netball match—St Cuthbert Mayne 3.30pm</li> <li>School Council to visit Mountbat- ten Lodge 10.30-12.00</li> <li>Y5 Scooter Workshop</li> </ul>	
Wednesday 26th	<ul> <li>Sports day</li> <li>EYFS and KS1—9.15am start</li> <li>KS2—1.30pm start</li> </ul>	
Thursday 27th	<ul> <li>New to Reception Induction morning 9.30am</li> <li>Top up swimming</li> </ul>	
Friday 28th	<ul> <li>No Roxolid lunch club today</li> </ul>	
	July	
House Points Gade 10625 Lea 9675 Bulbourne 9825 Colne 9025		
Attachments → Young Carer Information		
<ul> <li>⇒ Game on Summer Camp</li> <li>Please click on the link below to access all attachments</li> </ul>		
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