

Friday 17 January 2025  
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It has been a busy week at South Hill School. Year 1 and 2 have enjoyed Forest Schools, participating in a scavenger hunt, and identifying minibeasts. The whole school took part in a Drumba session, funded by the school. We hope pupils enjoyed themselves and what a great way to exercise too! Do look at their website and maybe have a go at home. <https://www.drumba.co.uk/trial-days/>



### Drumba Workshop

The Drumba workshops not only got everyone moving, but also ignited their inner drummer, boosted confidence, and hopefully fostered a lifelong love for music and staying active. TPupils had great fun playing along to the music and learning different patterns. We will now be continuing Drumba in class, as part of our drive to reach the government's target of 60 active minutes per day.



### Y1 Victorian Day

Year 1 were transported back in time for their Victorian Day experience on Friday 10 January. Their day began with an assembly and a hand inspection. They learnt about Victorian toys and made their very own peg dolls. The children learnt about the diet of Victorian children and finally listened to the story Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens.



### Y2 Multi Sport Event

Year 2 visited the Sports Centre on Wednesday for a Multisport Event consisting of a carousel of 8 activities. The activities ranged from frisbee throwing and basic curling skills to accurate throwing and catching skills. All children agreed that their favourite activity had to be giant speed stacking! Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to walk with us to and from the sports centre which made the trip possible.



### Staff News

We welcome Mrs Cummins to South Hill School who joins the office team as our Business Management Administrator. We also welcome Miss Brooks to Year 4 Maple as the new Teaching Assistant.



### Herts Catering—Lunch Provider

We are very pleased that our new lunch provider, Herts Catering have taken over from Radish with a flourish. Not only have they revamped the dining room, the kitchen has also seen a bit of a make over. Mrs Scrimshire is our new cook, she will be



making herself know to the children during the lunch time service. The food looks amazing is tasty and freshly made. If you have not already signed your child up for a school dinner, please do so!

### Oak—Class News

The children in Oak Class have had a busy start to the term. During our Maths lessons, we have been learning how to add and subtract fractions with different denominators. In English, we are learning to write persuasively to give an opinion. The children have written letters to Miss Wellbelove about food waste. We also thoroughly enjoyed the Drumba workshop.



### Sparrows Class Assembly

On Wednesday Sparrows class performed their class assembly. They spoke about the traditional tale of Goldilocks and the Three Bears in English, number bonds in Maths, their puppet designs in Design and Technology and the Victorian period in History.



### Owls—Grammar corner

In Owls we have been looking at conjunctions in our English lessons. A conjunction is a word that links two sentences. For example, "I love going to school **because** I like to learn". We have been relating our learning about conjunctions to our English book "Vlad and The Great Fire of London". For example, "The wind blew hard **and** the fire spread"



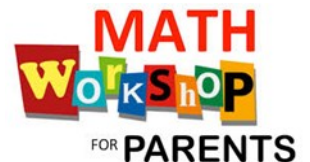
### Boys Football—St Paul's

South Hill Lions played our latest home football match on Monday against St Paul's School. The players soon settled in, playing as a team going on to scored 5 goals. St Paul's never gave up and created some good chances, but our defence stood firm. Player of the Match was Freddie, who helped create three goals.



### Maths Workshop and class visit

We are pleased to invite you to see your child learning Maths in their class on Tuesday 21st January! The morning will begin at 9am in the school hall. The focus will be using manipulatives (equipment) to support Maths learning. You will then be able to visit your child's class to see their Maths lesson at 9.30am. We look forward to seeing you.





Yours sincerely  
Miss Wellbelove  
Headteacher

Attendance matters  
Every student, every day

### South Hill Weekly Attendance

Our target is 97% for the whole school

Wrens	94.3%
Robins	100% 
Goldfinches	96.3%
Sparrows	91.4%
Owls	95.5%
Kingfishers	96%
Ash	88.7%
Beech	97%
Holly	97.3%
Maple	95%
Oak	96.9%
Silver Birch	94.3%
Sycamore	98.4%
Hazel	97.1%
Whole school	95.6% 



### Star of the Week

	10.01.25	17.01.25
Wrens	Victoria	Yashaswini
Robins	Keaton	Hrithvika
Goldfinches	Emily	Mariam
Sparrows	Esme	Sam
Owls	Ionna	Lola
Kingfishers	Ciel	Teddy
Ash	Eva	Olivia
Beech	Arwa	Yugandhara
Holly	Whole Class	Bella
Maple	Leo	Noah
Oak	Oliver	Max
Silver Birch	Amrit	Kenny & Reg
Sycamore	Miles	Mauricio
Hazel	Alicia	Max

January 2025	
Monday 20th	◆ Girls football away at Bovingdon
Tuesday 21st	◆ Parent Maths Workshop 9am school hall ◆ Boys football away at Broadfield School ◆ Last choir rehearsal after school
Thursday 23rd	◆ Young Voices Concert at the O2.
Friday 24th	◆ Y4 Swimming
Monday 27th	◆ Boys football—Hobletts Manor @ home
Tuesday 28th	◆ Netball match—Bridgewater School @home
Wednesday 29th	◆ Rapid Fire Cricket—Selected children @ Astley Cooper School ◆ Phonics Parent Workshop 9am in the school hall
Thursday 30th	◆ Boys football—Oakleaf @ home
Friday 31st	◆ Y4 swimming

House Points	
Gade	3200
Lea	2250
Bulbourne	2625
Colne	1950

**Attachments**

- ◆ Kiddie Arts and Crafts Camp
- ◆ Calendar Girls the Musical

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