

At Stebbing we show **KINDNESS**, demonstrate **RESPECT** and foster **BELONGING**.
We are **ASPIRATIONAL!**

HEADTEACHER

Despite the need to change our plans, we hope you all had a wonderful afternoon and enjoyed the celebrations. We were overwhelmed with the amount of cake donations we received and the teachers loved judging them...not too much cake was consumed!

We had 4 winners, 1 from each age category.

Well done to everyone!

Maynard Pre-school - Hugo

Reception/year 1/2- Jasmina

Year 3/4 - Julia

Year 5/6 - Eira

Thank you so much for your kind donations. We raised £133 for our wellbeing garden. If anyone knows of any companies who would like to donate a plant we would be very grateful. Please email me to discuss: miss.mawson@stebbingprimary.co.uk

We hope you all enjoy the long weekend and look forward to hearing about any celebrations that you are taking part in.

SPECIAL NEWS - A huge congratulations to Mrs Clellent from Kestrels class as she has announced she is expecting a baby in the autumn term. I am sure you will all join me in wishing her well for the remainder of her pregnancy.

The summer events are coming thick and fast and we started off with a wonderful mini-tennis tournament held at our local tennis club - Stebbing Tennis Club.

We entered three teams to both the year 3/4 event and 5/6 event showcasing the depth of talent that we have at Stebbing and we could have entered more if we had the opportunity to do so. After a full two hours of fantastic tennis against tough opposition, our year 3 and 4 teams finished 1st, 3rd and 4th with our year 5 & 6 teams finishing 1st, 2nd and 5th.

If you are interested in taking up tennis, the Stebbing Tennis Club offer a fantastic range of child and adult classes for all abilities.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

It's SATs week next week for our year 6 pupils!

Wishing all of our year 6 pupils the very best of luck for next week as they embark on their SATs. Although, a challenging week, I know they have lots to be proud of and exciting events ahead of them.

Hey again from the AFSS! We have had couple of weeks 'respite' from action however plans have been hatching in the background. We are pleased to announce that the Summer Fete will be held on Saturday 10th June from 12 till 4! There will be food, drinks, and action for the kids. Hopefully you all can bring your friends and family along to join us and experience how amazing Stebbing School community is. If you have any ideas how we could make the Fete even greater, please join us on Wednesday 11th at 6:30pm in the White Hart for more event planning. We would love to see more new people joining us and bringing us fresh ideas. Sometimes we do get a bit stuck! So we hope to see you next week, and until then, enjoy the Coronation festivities and the long weekend.



HEADTEACHER AWARDS

	Friday 28th April	Friday 5th May
Wrens	Ivy & Michael	Grace & Evelyn
Robins	Charlie & Monty	Louie. P & Fletcher
Kingfishers	Elijah & Vinnie	Bella & Dexter
Woodpeckers	Archie & Freddie	Albie & Hunter
Kestrels	Elly and Phoebe	Darcy and Kody
Ospreys	Finlee & Albert	Liana & Dan
Owls	George & Henley	Emil & Arthur



HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEADTEACHER



	Friday 28th April	Friday 5th May
Wrens	Archie W	Charlie K
Robins	Holly	Jake
Kingfishers	Genevieve	Indie
Woodpeckers	Amelie	Maryann
Kestrels	Mya	Mila
Ospreys	Isaac	Finley
Owls	Isabella	Alex

PRESENTATION AWARDS

	Friday 28th April	Friday 5th May
Wrens	Cooper	
Robins	Harvey	
Kingfishers	Albert	
Woodpeckers		Violet
Kestrels		Mia
Ospreys		Amelie
Owls		Lan

DATE	YEAR 6 AWARD	ATTENDANCE AWARD	LUNCHTIME AWARD	KEEP IT CLEAN AWARD
28.04.23	Lia		Ospreys	Wrens
05.05.23	Not today		Kestrels	



WRENS



ROBINS



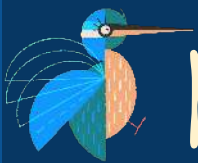
Thank you for a lovely afternoon to celebrate the King's Coronation. We hope the weather improves this weekend and that you get to enjoy lots of time together.

In phonics we are continuing to review phase 2 and phase 3 sounds. We have become very confident with reading and are now putting more of a focus onto sentence writing to build our confidence. Over the next couple of weeks we will also be sending home some activities to support with letter formation which will make writing even easier.

In maths we have become confident with numbers to 20 and representing them using many concrete and pictorial resources. This is going to really support us in year 1. For the rest of the term we will be moving onto addition and subtraction.

We have really enjoyed learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. Wrens have shared their knowledge with Miss Honeybee in Forest School too. We are looking forward to planting bean seeds next week as we continue our Come Outside topic.

Thank you so much for joining us today for our indoor Coronation 'picnic' gathering. The children absolutely loved making their cucumber sandwiches. I managed to speak to some of you this afternoon but for those of you I missed, I have to share an unexpected phenomenon. Before the sandwich making began I explained to the children their task and we discovered too that Victorians enjoyed cucumber sandwiches, I explained that ours would be 'posh' like at an Afternoon Tea for Ladies & Gentlemen... with no crusts! The room roared with excitement. Then, to our absolute surprise, after making their sandwiches, what was the first question?... "Can we eat our crusts?" Why is it that when no longer attached crusts all of a sudden become appealing? Bless them. We've been thrilled to see how many children enjoy eating cucumber too - this looks promising for our upcoming salad topic in DT. To prepare for the Coronation we all learned about London this week during our Group Reading sessions, and next week the focus will be Queen Victoria. Robins are looking forward to their visit to Audley End House and have learned and remember many facts already, about the Victorians. We've learned about the Victorian seaside, and today; a bit about Victorian schools and toys (The Robins were pleased to be experiencing 2023 schooling rather than the Victorian Style!) and we also found out about the heroine Grace Darling today. We are enjoying our Beatrix Potter stories too.



KINGFISHERS



WOODPECKERS



What a busy 2 weeks we've had in Kingfishers. We have been juggling our Maths learning, focusing on time, fractions and shapes, and Kingfishers have worked incredibly hard and have embraced and enjoyed this approach so far this term.

In English we have been focusing on time conjunctions and persuasive language and Kingfishers have been planning their persuasive letter to the Lion.

In Science we have been learning about plants and so far we have focused on what they need to survive and the sequence of growth. Kingfishers planted their own seeds this week and over the half term we will watch them grow and develop as part of an ongoing observation.

In History we have been learning about explorers and what made them significant.

We learnt about Amy Johnson, nicknamed "Queen of the air" who was a famous female British pilot who broke many records whilst travelling around the world. We also learnt about Leif Erikson, a Viking explorer who is thought to be the first European to discover and build a settlement in North America. Kingfishers have really enjoyed learning about these people's achievements and the impact they had on the world.

What a wonderful two weeks we have had in Woodpeckers class. The children have been working incredibly hard on their coronation bunting and drawings in preparation for the Coronation picnic today - which we would like to thank you all for attending.

In English, the children have continued on their journey of letter writing. They have been discussing what makes a letter informal or formal and how to format a letter appropriately.

In Maths, the children have been focusing on comparing non unit to unit fractions, using concrete manipulatives alongside to aid their learning. They have also been investigating and exploring the whole in relation to fractions. They have been using part-whole models to develop their understanding.

The children have been completely engrossed in our history topic for this half term. They have thoroughly enjoyed identifying reasons and results of people's actions., where the children discussed who they thought started World War II and why it happened. After investigating this further, the children then created a

Kestrels have had a very busy two weeks. The children have really enjoyed swimming and this week had a brilliant session working hard on their breathing under water. Kestrels has been learning all about Ancient Egypt and enjoyed the adventures of Tadeo Jones in their English lessons. Looking at personification and figurative language, the children have enhanced their writing by describing the setting and ordering events chronologically. The children are working towards writing a diary entry imagining they are Tadeo Jones. Today in groups we acted out the story in chronological order using freeze frames. In Maths the children have been learning about decimals. We have explored whole numbers and tenths using place value grids and number lines. We have been dividing one and two digit numbers by ten. In History we have started to explore the meaning of Hieroglyphics and the significance of the Rosetta Stone. Our RE lessons on Christianity has been very apt with the Coronation being celebrated this weekend. We have looked at the different denominations within Christianity and the symbols used in places of worship. The children have enjoyed making coronation bunting, drawing the Kings crown and making flags. Thank you so much for joining us for our picnic day, we have had such a brilliant day celebrating.

The weeks are really starting to fly by now, it is genuinely terrifying how fast it is going! We have been making some real progress in Ospreys and it has been so lovely to see the children taking such a pride in their work and their attitudes to learning are really improving. We finally got our first swimming lesson this week which everyone loved. The sun even started to come out a little bit which was nice! In science, we have been investigating thermal insulators and conductors which lead us nicely onto taking this thinking further by moving onto electrical insulators and conductors this week. We had the challenge of working out what was the most effective electrical conductor which would ensure bulbs would burn the brightest in a football stadium. The children got to investigate this by creating their own simple circuits and testing a range of materials.

Thank you so much for coming out to celebrate with us today- we really enjoyed making the cheese scones to share with you all and spending time with you. Have a lovely bank holiday weekend!



OWLS



GUEST

The moment the children have all been waiting for - SATs week has arrived. The children have worked their socks off this term so far helping to prepare themselves as best as possible for the upcoming tests so that they can enter the test room with confidence that they will do their absolute best.

A few reminders:

*Breakfast Club - all children are invited to come straight into school at 08:30 for a healthy SATs breakfast in the studio.

* All tests will start as close to 09:00 as possible.

* The swimming timetable has been altered to ensure that Owls have the opportunity to swim on Tuesday 9th May.

*Forest School nurture groups will continue as planned on Tuesday and will move to the afternoon on Thursday so that they can go ahead. Breakfast Club - all children are invited to come straight into school at 08:30 for a healthy SATs breakfast in the studio.

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* Maths club will continue on Tuesday after school for all those who want to attend (all children are invited) to fill any gaps, revise key areas and help prepare the children for secondary school maths.

Watch this space!

If you have something you would like to contribute, please feel free to let us know!

EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
05.05.23	Whole school coronation picnic from 13.30 (please see Parentmail for more details)
08.05.23	Additional bank holiday for King Charles' Coronation
9th-12th May	Year 6 SATs week
26.05.23	End of half term
07.06.23	Back to school
08.06.23	KS2 trip to The Natural History Museum
12th-16th June	Year 1 phonics screening check
19.06.23	SEN awareness week
20.06.23	Class photos
21.06.23	Manor Adventure Information Evening
28.06.23	Matilda theatre trip
03.07.23`	Multiskills day- KS1 AM & KS2 PM
04.07.23	Darren dance workshop
06.07.23	Drama Club Drama Production
07.07.23	Sports day- KS1 AM & KS2 PM
10.07.23	Music concert- details to be confirmed
14.07.23	AFSS summer disco
21.07.23	Leavers' assembly