



Stebbing Primary School



Stebbing Spotlight

Headteacher

Last night, we saw our week of performances draw to a close and we can all reflect on a truly special week. I have had the privilege of seeing all of the children's performances this week and I am bursting with pride with every single child who took to the stage. A week like this is everything our wonderful school is about!

Wrens put on an incredible 'Christmas Recipe' performance for their families and year 6 buddies to enjoy as they performed on the stage for the very first time.

Robins and Kingfishers were incredibly confident as they performed 'Angel Express' for us all whilst Woodpeckers and Kestrels took on our very first year 3&4 production as the stars certainly came out for Christmas.

Ospreys and Owls then recreated their very own Christmas musical with a superb performance of Aladdin.

Thank you to every family member, neighbour and friend who came to support the children in the performances, you have all been incredible audiences. Photographs and videos of the performances will be available for you to view and download in due course with more information to follow... Thank you also for your generous donations as we raised money for a fantastic charity, 'Young Minds'. Owls class will count the money tomorrow and will let you know how much we have all raised.

Finally, a huge thank you to all of the staff for facilitating a magical week for us all to enjoy.

AFSS

Merry Christmas wishes from AFSS! What a busy but joyful time this is. We have greatly enjoyed all the seasonal activities and seeing the smile and excitement on the faces of Stebbing children has been amazing. Thank you to all the little elves for helping us - we couldn't have done it without you! You all have helped us to collect around £1000 for AFSS. It's needless to say we are grateful for all the donations and contributions to the Christmas market and fayre. You all are stars and you should all be in the Spotlight! One more fun week of school left before the end of the term. We are looking forward to next year and more events to share with you all.

Sport @ Stebbing

What a fantastic first term of sport at Stebbing Primary School. Club attendance at our 18 clubs is at an all time high. The children have represented the school at 18 competitions throughout the term and have successfully navigated themselves into the Uttlesford finals of 6 events and even making it through to the Essex finals on two occasions with plenty more to look forward to in the new year. I have also had the pleasure of handing out the first of many Park Run badges this week for all of the Stebbing runners who have completed three Stebbing Park Runs this term and I am looking forward to handing out more next term. After Christmas, I look forward to continuing to work with the whole school on their sporting journey as we start a couple of new clubs at lunchtime. Hockey is making a comeback with a new, late addition to the club timetable on a Monday lunchtime for KS2 coached by Carole Wooding, our incredible hockey coach. Tennis club will also be introduced in place of the boys football club.

Awards

	<u>Friday 3rd December</u>	<u>Friday 10th December</u>
<u>Wrens</u>	Nicole Nelson &	Harry Greenwood & Skyla Ekins
<u>Robins</u>	Sophia Wigmore & Ivy Page-Blackley	Elsie Sullivan & Clara Bean
<u>Kingfishers</u>	Alex Bota & Isla Donohue	Amelia Walker & Charlie Steadman
<u>Woodpeckers</u>	Harriet Young & Ava Nash	Sophia Allen & Ethan Thorp
<u>Kestrels</u>	Finlee Northcote & Amelia Magat	Oliver Osborn & Poppy-May Smith
<u>Ospreys</u>	James Steadman & Alden McGonagle	Leigh Lyons & Eira Fulcher
<u>Owls</u>		Archie Wilkinson & Milo Magat

	<u>Presentation Award Winners</u>	
<u>Wrens</u>		
<u>Robins</u>	Emily Thomas	
<u>Kingfishers</u>	Wren Chandler	
<u>Woodpeckers</u>		Phoebe Haddad
<u>Kestrels</u>		Amelie Hiskey
<u>Ospreys</u>		Brooke Edridge
<u>Owls</u>		Poppy Bloss

<u>Date</u>	<u>IT Rockstars</u> <u>% of active players</u>	<u>Spelling Shed</u>	<u>Maths Shed</u>	<u>Year 6 Award</u>	<u>Lunchtime Award</u>	<u>Attendance Award</u>
10.12.21	Kestrels 43% Owls 20% Woodpeckers 17% Kingfishers 10% Ospreys 8%	Ospreys	Ospreys	Poppy- May Smith & Florrie Hale	Amelia & Rose, Charlie, Neve, Louis Alex & Nathaniel, Remu (KF Pack Lunch)	Kingfishers

17.12.21	Kestrels 17% Woodpeckers 13% Ospreys 4% Owls 3%		Brooke Edridge	Kingfishers
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ClassDojo

	<u>Dojo Award Winners</u>			<u>Dojo Points Winners</u>	
 <u>Being Helpful</u>	Malachy Rook	Holly Roach Wrens	<u>Wrens</u>		Louie Gormer
 <u>Being Kind</u>	Amelie Hiskey	Callum Walker & Ronnie Lucas	<u>Robins</u>	Dexter Lodge	Harry Osborn
 <u>Good Manners</u>	Freddie Munson	Darcy Stewart-Wheatly Woodpeckers	<u>Kingfishers</u>	Julia Morton	Albie, Louis, Maryann, Hunter
 <u>Listening</u>		Archie Philp	<u>Woodpeckers</u>	Hayden Edwards-Riches	Ji Bucknell
 <u>Perseverance</u>	Elliot Hogg	All of Robins Class	<u>Kestrels</u>	Archie Wigmore	Lily Lakovic
 <u>Teamwork</u>	Leo Khoshkhou	Malachy Rook & James Steadman	<u>Ospreys</u>	Leigh Lyons & Brooke Edridge	Leigh Lyons
 <u>Working Hard</u>	Freddie Foxton	Archie Wigmore, Florrie Hale, Finley Shepherd & Oliver Osborn Kestrels	<u>Owls</u>	Ronnie Lucas	William Foxton

Class Information

Wrens

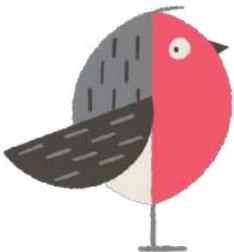


What a fantastic Christmassy couple of weeks we have had. I think you will all agree the the children were absolutely incredible in their first Stebbing Christmas play. We are so proud of how they remembered their lines and cues to go on stage confidently. It really was the highlight of the term. Our trip to the zoo was truly magical. They did the school very proud and enjoyed sharing their knowledge about penguins with the elf and Santa. Seeing the penguins up close was a great experience too!

The children can't wait for you to come in next week and see all of the Christmas crafts they have made. Miss Osborne has worked very hard with the children - you will be amazed.

I would like to say a big thank you to you all for your kind words and gifts over the past couple of weeks. I have loved every minute of teaching Wrens. I can't wait to visit in the new year. Have a wonderful Christmas and a very happy new year!

Robins



We have been learning to write letters in preparation for our letter to Santa, so here is a 'shared-write'. Robins told Mrs Lonnen-Smith the features of a letter, then what to write including how to start and end it...

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Thursday 9th December 2021

Dear Parents,

We have been practising our letter formation like curly caterpillars and robot letters. We've been learning numbers. We have been writing number words. We've been opening calendars and they have chocolate or baubles in them. We have been making Christmas stuff like little Christmas puddings or snowmen. We have been to the zoo on a bus and we looked for animals and where they came from (continents). We saw penguins and Santa. It was good! We practise if our letters are the right way round, and numbers. We're going to sing to our mums and dads and nans and aunties for our school play. Our cousins might be there, and our sisters and brothers, and grandads. We shopped for our presents last Friday and we wrapped them. It was fun but so tricky.

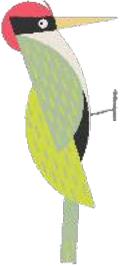
From Robins Class

Kingfishers

We have had 2 very exciting weeks in Woodpeckers. Christmas is in full swing at Stebbing and Kingfishers have worked and practiced incredibly hard for their Christmas play. We are all so proud of each and every one of them for their dedication to learning their lines, enthusiasm when practicing and their perseverance to overcome challenges.

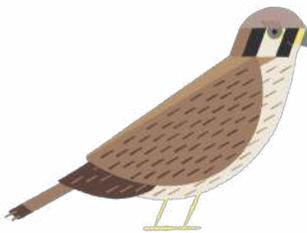
We have been creating lots of lovely Christmas things to decorate our classroom with and to sell during our class Christmas market. Kingfishers have loved having so many opportunities to be creative and they are looking forward to showing off their creations. In English Kingfishers wrote a letter to Father Christmas and we are currently waiting for his reply! In Maths these past 2 weeks we have been focusing on numbers on a numberline, sequencing numbers, 1 more 1 less and 10 more 10 less and Kingfishers completed their hot Maths and we were very impressed with their outcomes and so pleased with how hard they worked.

Woodpeckers



What an exciting couple of weeks we have had in Woodpeckers. As many of you saw, we have worked so hard to rehearse for our Christmas production of 'The Stars Come Out For Christmas'. I honestly was bursting with pride watching all of Woodpeckers perform considering the last time they did anything like this was in year 1. They were absolutely incredible. Over the last two weeks, we have also been working hard on some beautiful Christmas crafts ready for our Christmas market. Friday afternoons have currently been filled with glue and glitter! We have also done some learning too believe it or not! IN English we have started a new topic on instructions. The children have been incredible and remembering all of the features of instructions from when they were in year 2 and have loved creating some Christmassy instruction on how elves wrap presents and how reindeers fly. In maths we have finished our addition and subtraction topic and completed a few hot tasks. These showed that we need a little more practise on number bonds to 100 so we have been learning the tricks of finding the bonds and playing some fun games with these. In Science, we have enjoyed experimenting with magnets some more and investigating whether all metals are magnetic. This sparked some amazing discussions. Did you know that it depends on the year a coin was made as to whether it is magnetic or not? This is something we found out during an experiment! Overall it has been a jam packed but fun filled two weeks and all that is left to say is that we hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Kestrels



What an eventful and festive couple of weeks we have just had in Kestrels. We are delighted to have finally shared with parents our Christmas production of 'The Stars Come Out For Christmas'. I am so proud of every single one of Kestrels class for the professionalism and patience they showed not only on the night but through the countless rehearsals and us tinkering with things and asking them to do their scenes again but in different places to try and make the show as enjoyable as it can be. We have also been working on our Christmas crafts getting them ready for you to see next week at the fair. The children have been incredibly lucky to have been given a chance to get their christmas shopping done early in the form of our christmas market which was accompanied by some festive maths work in which we had to find out who had stolen the nativity plays CD and finishing off our instructive writing on making a festive potion for the Grinch to have at Christmas time, which led to some interesting discussions on what things the children would like to have in a potion. We have also been looking at our topic of North and South America in which the children have enjoyed some flag quizzes and making up their own riddles as to where their iven country is located on a globe. So once again all I can say is how incredibly proud I am of them for showing me my first stebbing Christmas Production and have a lovely Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Ospreys



It has been a fabulous couple of weeks in Ospreys and the children have really been getting into the Christmas spirit. They have worked extremely hard in rehearsals for their Christmas performances and should absolutely all be so proud of themselves - it has been wonderful to see the excitement in their faces. In maths, the children have been working on Area and Perimeter. The children have moved on from re-capping measuring skills to finding the area of compound shapes. In English, the children have continued on their transmission to Mars topic and completed their hot writes. They have also been focusing on editing their hot task, which has allowed them to amend areas that they feel appropriate in order to improve their independent writing. It has been wonderful to enjoy some Christmas craft-making sessions, in preparation for the parent Christmas craft market - they are looking forward to presenting their works of art. It has been a great end to this half term and we are all incredibly proud of the children and what they've achieved. We hope you all have a fantastic Christmas and a very Happy New Year, from the Ospreys team!

Owls



Performance week is always one of the best weeks of the school calendar and this year did not disappoint. I was blown away by the children's application throughout the whole rehearsal period and then seeing it all come together on Tuesday and Thursday evening was a joy to behold. Seeing children step out of their comfort zones, push themselves to achieve things they didn't realise they were capable of and put smiles on so many peoples' faces brings me so much pride. As we bring our Christmas festivities to a close, the children have been working hard on their buddy Christmas stories alongside finishing the tricky fractions unit of work and creating some wonderfully festive Christmas decorations for you all joy this Christmas. We cannot wait to see you all on Tuesday to see what we have been up to and, most importantly, vote for your favourite Gingerbread house in the Owls annual Gingerbread house building competition.

Important Dates

Date	Event
14.12.21	Christmas craft market- Parents invited into school at 2pm. Please bring small change with you.
15.12.21	Whole school Christmas dinner day (£2.20 for KS2) Children are invited to wear their Christmas jumper with normal school uniform on the bottom.
15.12.21	Class parties- children are invited to bring in party clothes to change into
16.12.21	Class parties- children are invited to bring in party clothes to change into
17.12.21	Save the Children Christmas Jumper day
17.12.21	Christmas Carol Concert at St.Mary's Church 1:30pm - 2:30pm
17.12.21	End of term- Break up for Christmas
04.01.22	Non pupil day
05.01.22	Back to school

