

BE READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE and KIND

HEADTEACHER

We are looking to review our school lunch menu as we recognise the Essex menu we have been using has not proved very popular. We are keen to devise our own menu and would appreciate feedback from parents. Thank you for the feedback already received. This is really helpful. Our survey will close **TUESDAY 16TH JULY** and can be accessed via the link below:

[SCHOOL LUNCH FEEDBACK](#)

We also have our final Parent Forum scheduled for **Thursday 18th July at 8.45am**. If you would like to attend please do so.

SPORTS DAY IS NOW ON FRIDAY 19TH JULY

IMPORTANT NOTICES

We will be issuing **Parking Permits** for September 2024 to give families permission to park in the car park. Permission is granted if a parent or child already has a blue badge or for another given reason at the discretion of the school. If you have permission to park in the car park please pop into the school office to request the number of permits you require (grandparents etc). Please also ensure you provide the registration numbers for the vehicles. If you do not have permission to park in the car park but believe you may qualify for this, then please speak to Mrs Heys. Thank you for your cooperation.

SPORT @ STEBBING

As we bring to a close on our year of sport at Stebbing Primary School, I just want to reflect on the incredible journey that we have all been on thanks to the hard work of the children, staff and supporting parents:

- 97.8% of all children attended at least 1 tournament/festival with 48 events taking place throughout the year.
- 86.6% of all children attended at least one extra-curricular activity throughout the year.

Our club timetable is soon to be finalised for the next academic year. Please keep an eye out for the new timetable which will be coming out shortly.

AFTS

Wow, where has the year gone! We can't believe we are stepping into the last weeks of this academic school year. We are gutted the rainy and windy weather ruined a few planned events but we are hopeful that sun shine is back to stay. Next week we are so excited to be hosting our first Bounce Party after school on Thursday 18th from 3 till 5pm! Please could you make sure we get your payments in by Sunday 14th. As a reminder, all Stebbing Primary School children are invited and require no adults to be present. However, if a younger sibling comes along, an adult needs to come in to supervise them. We kindly ask £8 per Stebbing child and £4 per younger sibling which includes food, drink, sweets, and tons of fun! Please let Harriet (07809 331056) know if there are any dietary or other requirements for children. Fingers crossed that Sports day happens on Friday 19th: we will be there to provide you with refreshments and snacks, plus a SUMMER RAFFLE! In addition a huge selection of pre-loved uniform will be up for grabs, all for free!



HEADTEACHER AWARDS

	Friday 5th July	Friday 12th July
Wrens	Dylan & Harry	Avalon & Devon
Robins	Ira & Bonnie-Blue	Charlie. K & Archie
Kingfishers	Fletcher and Kingfishers!	Christopher & Freddy. S
Woodpeckers	Albert & Raf	Dexter & Jacob
Kestrels	Freddie & Lina	Alex & Nicolle
Ospreys	Hayden & Lucia	Sophia & Emilee
Owls	Lily & Betsy	



HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEADTEACHER



	Friday 5th July	Friday 12th July
Wrens	Luna	Jasper
Robins	Henley	Evelyn
Kingfishers	Jenna	Zoe
Woodpeckers	Elijah	Evie
Kestrels	Julia	Lina
Ospreys	Ethan	Maya
Owls	Frankie	

PRESENTATION AWARDS

	Friday 5th July	Friday 12th July
Wrens	Evie	
Robins	Charlie.B	
Kingfishers	Savannah	
Woodpeckers		Albert
Kestrels		Summer
Ospreys		Kody

DATE	YEAR 6 AWARD	ATTENDANCE AWARD	LUNCHTIME AWARD	KEEP IT CLEAN AWARD
05.07.24	Fifi	Kingfishers	Isla D	Year 6
12.07.24	-	Ospreys	Bonnie	-

						
Date						
05.07.24	Kingfishers	Owls	Robins	Ospreys	Woodpeckers	Robins
12.07.24	Kestrels	Woodpeckers	Robins	Woodpeckers	Ospreys	Kingfishers



WRENS



ROBINS



In Wrens we have been working hard on our Maths. We have been tallying votes during election week: Wrens got to vote for various topics in and around the classroom. We used matchsticks to represent the tally marks of numbers rolled on a dice. In support of the football fever we have also kept score by tallying goals scored in the outdoor area. In PE Wrens have been doing Sports Day races and we had a lot of fun learning all about the fun game Dodgeball. Wrens have completed the sounds they needed to learn for the year and have been working very hard on perfecting our letter formation. Working slowly, using our mnemonics to make sure we produce beautiful work when we sound and blend so well for writing. AND AWAY WE GO! Our Airport day was such a treat. Thank you for letting the Wrens join in on our flight of imagination. We were so proud to celebrate the end of their year with a special activity together. The last few days in Wrens has arrived and we will be working on mastering the skills we have learnt throughout the year. Our phonics lesson pages will be going home with us each day with some steps or letters to work on for this final push. Thank you for supporting our Wrens this year with their learning. We are very proud to see them fly the nest with confidence, becoming Robins.

We are loving the UNhomework creations that we have seen so far. As it was the last opportunity for the children, while in Robins, to present some homework I wanted it to inspire and enhance our in-class learning. You know I like creativity and uniqueness, well I also really value empowerment and the opportunity for the children to take responsibility and lead their learning. Maria Montessori said "When the children are working as if I did not exist, I have done my job", and this phrase really stays with me. It's about that 'metacognition' and love for learning, getting the children to a place where they know what they can do themselves to promote learning *for themselves*, and being passionate about progressing and pushing through those challenges to know more and achieve more. So, the Treasure Baskets will stay at school a little longer, as we will be doing a lesson about this together and the PE tasks have already gone down a storm. We actually had to fit in an extra lesson today and next week we will return to the hall, on an extra day, to give Archie's 'Dodgeball Remix' a go. Next week we will also be making a timeline incorporating the historical events and people that we have learned about throughout this year, and I know the UNhomework timelines that have come in will be great for giving us some hints on this! We have a salad to make too, & of course Sports Day!



KINGFISHERS



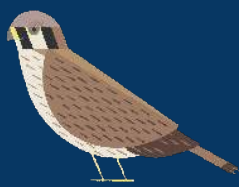
WOODPECKERS

I can't believe how close we are to the end of the academic year! Firstly, I want to say how hard Kingfishers worked last week during their SATs. They took everything within their stride and had a positive 'can-do' attitude and just did their absolute best, which is all we could ever hope for. They certainly enjoyed their biscuit treats and they enjoyed watching 'Zog' to celebrate completing their last quiz, whilst eating Oreos! In Maths we completed our weight, capacity and temperature topic and Kingfishers certainly enjoyed the hands-on tactile approach to this, especially when exploring and using different thermometers to measure temperature. In Geography, Kingfishers designed their own map, based on the setting (forest) they described in their Fantasy stories in English. Kingfishers came up with many different ideas and we created individual symbols representing the many natural item you might come across in the wild. They then created their maps which were colourful and interesting and they generated their own unique keys to go with their fantasy maps. Over the next week and a half, in between trips, cooking pizzas and sports day, we will be consolidating our knowledge, skills and methods which we have learnt throughout the year. Thank you for all your support this year. I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching your children and whilst I will miss having

Another wonderfully productive two weeks it has been in Woodpeckers class. It's amazing to think that we only have a very small amount of time left in year three! Time has really flown by! In Geography, the children have continued working hard on their 'In the field' topic. They spent some time outside creating maps of the main parts of the school. We then spent some time discussing the use of a key and why these are important when using or creating a map. The children have also worked in groups and used building blocks to create their own little city. They included roads to link to different buildings and were the set the task to sketch their little city from above (Birdseye view). In maths, the children completed their 'Time' unit and swiftly progressed onto 'Money'. We spend some time this week exploring money. The children worked in groups to set up a shop within the classroom. They were then provided with a certain amount of money and set the task to add, subtract and find change, whilst buying or selling their items. In English, we have been exploring Onomatopoeia poetry. We read and listened to a poem called 'Onomatopoeia' by Joseph Coelho. We discussed the meaning of the word and the poem as a whole. After some investigation and listing a range of different nouns and examples of Onomatopoeia, the children then designed their own posters to help teachers explain what Onomatopoeia is. They added pictures to the words so that their poster really packed a punch! I would like to take this time to thank everyone for all of their



KESTRELS



I can't believe another 2 weeks has passed and we are nearly at the end of this year already! Over the course of the last 2 weeks, we have finally finished our nature documentaries, which we thoroughly enjoyed researching and writing for. We have also loved starting to research and learn about Roald Dahl, including trying to write in his style. In maths, we have been focusing on shape, including learning about different types of triangle and quadrilateral as well as getting our heads around symmetry!

In Science we have continued to enjoy our work on living things, classifying various animals and plants using different classification systems. In geography we have enjoyed learning about position and direction and have loved creating maps of our area.

With this being the last edition before the end of the year, I would like to thank you all for welcoming me back into the classroom with Miss Watkins this year. I hope you all have a wonderful summer break.



OWLS



With another two weeks under our belt and just 7 school days to go until our journey at Stebbing comes to an end, we have been working hard to bring a few of our units of work to an end. The children have demonstrated fantastic patience and perseverance to design and sew their very own pencil case. We have come across some hurdles along the way but with teamwork (and the help of Lily and Betsy) we have made great progress and just have a few to complete.

We have also spent some time concluding our SRE unit these past two weeks with two lessons focusing on the pregnancy journey from conception to birth. The children approached the mature topics discussed with maturity and confidence, listening and respecting each other's views and questions. This week also saw the children meet with me to discuss their SATs results which enabled us to discuss the wonderful progress and attainment that each and every child has made this year - it really has been a privilege to facilitate their journey this year and I am looking forward to making the most of our last week together!

I am informed that this is the final edition of the Spotlight before we break up. You will hear a lot more from me over the next week or so reflecting on the amazing journey our Class of 2024 have been on. See you all on Tuesday 23rd July for what promises to be an incredible day to celebrate the Class



OSPREYS

Another 2 weeks has passed as we are moving ever closer to the end of year 5. We have enjoyed some measurement work in maths after another successful hot maths assessment by all. We only have a few more maths lessons to go to complete what we need to by the end of the year- I think that is a record! We have spent some time planning our tea party today too and we have some delicious sounding treats planned. The children have also made some super menus and decorations to ensure that we are dining in style! We are planning to bake and make next Wednesday so, based on past experience, the children won't need to bring in a lunch that day. The plan will be that we will spend the morning making their treats and then we will sit down and enjoy them together at lunchtime.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you for all of your support that you have given us this year. It has been a real privilege to work with all of your children and can't wait to make some more special memories with them at Manor Adventure!

GUEST SPOT

SWIMMING POOL

A huge thank you to all of the volunteers who supported with the demolition of the swimming pool. Thanks to all of your hard work, we now have a blank canvas to start moving forwards with the building process.

We are looking to get the build started as soon as possible but have a few more hoops to jump through before we can put spades in the ground.

A huge thank you to NorthEast Demolition for making light work of the swimming pool demolition, co-ordinating the swimming pool removal, disposing of the waste and for the donation of time/resources and staff to make it happen.

As always, if you have any experience/contacts in the trade who could support with the build

EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
15.07.24	Music concert 1-3pm
18.07.24	AFSS end of term bounce party
23.07.24	Leavers' assembly 10:00-12:00
23.07.24	Break up for summer holidays
02.09.24	Back to school