



Stebbing Primary School



Stebbing Spotlight

Important Notices

Just a reminder that we break up for the Summer holidays on **Thursday 21st July** due to Essex giving us a day in lieu of the extra Jubilee bank holiday that falls in half term.

Headteacher

We have been so proud of the way the Year 6s have tackled their SATs tests this week. They have shown real strength and determination and should be extremely pleased with their achievements. No matter what the results are, we know that each and everyone of them has been their very best self and that's all we asked.

Please take some time to look at the calendar at the bottom of this Spotlight, we have added our all important Summer events on there. We are very excited for everything that we have coming up at school in the Summer term and are thrilled that we can share them all with you again properly this year!

AFSS

Hopefully everyone is dusting off their 50s frocks and hats for the Party in the Park Jubilee celebration in Stebbing soon! We only have two and a half weeks until the big day and preparations are in full steam. Just to remind you that the community party is held on Sunday 5th June at Mill Lane Playing Field. Do spread the word around to friends and family, and do not forget to bring the hairy friends with you too. This is all about getting the community together and reminding us what a lovely place Stebbing is. Reserve your spot with table and chairs, or classic picnic blankets. Bunting and other decorations are highly recommended! We have food and drinks on offer as well: the infamous AFSS BBQ hosted by Mrs. Earle, the Little Bagel Van for delicious bagels and hot drinks, and the Bowls club will be running a bar alongside Emma's Gin Bar. Obviously the party would not be complete without the ice cream van and sweet stall! For children (and child minded adults), AFSS is organising different activities from face painting to doggy bale dash. It's going to be an amazing day but we cannot do this all without help. If you could kindly check the sign up sheet at the school office for free slots. We need volunteers to man the activities but only for 30 minutes each so you will have plenty of time to relax. Please show your support and sign up!

Sport at Stebbing

The busy summer sporting calendar continues to provide plenty of wonderful opportunities for all of the children at Stebbing. Last week, Woodpeckers had the pleasure of attending a Commonwealth Multi-Skills workshop at Dunmow St Mary's where they took part in a wide range of athletics themed activities. This week, Cricket took centre stage with the year 3 and 4 Rapid Fire cricket teams heading to Dunmow St Mary's to take part in the Dunmow family competition. Following a fantastic tournament playing the sport for the first time and developing their skills and understanding throughout, our two teams blew us away with their performances coming in 2nd and 3rd place.

Finally, to cap off a busy day of cricket, our year 2 three tees cricket squads also headed to Dunmow St Mary's Primary School to take part in the Dunmow family three tees tournament for the very first time following a COVID enforced break in the tournament. All of the children competed superbly demonstrating fantastic teamwork skills throughout.

The fun continues next week with two cricket tournaments and a rounders event for year 5 and 6.

Awards

	Friday 6th May	Friday 13th May
Wrens	Jenna Ahmad & Veronika Matskiv	Esmae Casado & Louie Perry
Robins	Logan Burroughs & Elsie Sullivan	Florence Price & Ivy Page-Blackley
Kingfishers	Remi Roberts & Albie Edridge	Summer Mickle & Freddie Foxtan
Woodpeckers	Maya Roye & Harriet Young	Mila Swanepoel & Elly Wootton
Kestrels	Poppy-May Smith & Volodymr Mastkiv	Reggie Smith & Millie Magat
Ospreys	Malachy Rook & Poppy-Jean Hogg	Alden McGonagle & Lan Bucknell
Owls	Ava Bowles & Poppy Coates	Owls Class

	Presentation Award Winners	
Wrens	Holly Roach	
Robins	Dexter Lodge	
Kingfishers	Freddie Foxtan	
Woodpeckers		Florence Edwards
Kestrels		Liana Earle
Ospreys		Freddie Chandler
Owls		Owls Class

Date	TT Rockstars % of active players	Spelling Shed	Maths Shed	Year 6 Award	Attendance Award	Lunchtime Award
06.05.22	Ospreys 38% Kestrels 22% Robins 16% Owls 13% Woodpeckers 8% Kingfishers 6%	Woodpeckers	Robins	Volodymyr & Veronika Mastkiv	Kestrels	Amelie Hiskey
13.05.22	Ospreys 79% Kestrels 30% Owls 17% Woodpeckers 15% Robins 13% Kingfishers 10%			The whole school	Robins	Malachy Rock

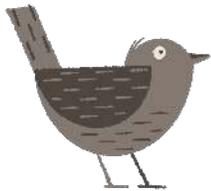


ClassDojo

	<u>Dojo Award Winners</u>			<u>Dojo Points Winners</u>	
 <u>Being Helpful</u>	Rose Walker Kingfishers	Elias Haddad Kingfishers	<u>Wrens</u>	Ethan Bond	Axel Steele
 <u>Being Kind</u>	Harvey Lakovic Wrens	Albert Smith Robins	<u>Robins</u>	Mia Nash	Dexter Lodge
 <u>Good Manners</u>	Rafael Roye Robins	Brooke Edridge Ospreys	<u>Kingfishers</u>		Hunter Clark-Smith
 <u>Listening</u>	Kestrels Class	Freddie Edridge Wrens	<u>Woodpeckers</u>	Elly Wootton	Darcy Stewart-Wheatly
 <u>Perseverance</u>	Freddie Chandler Ospreys	Dan Bota Kestrels	<u>Kestrels</u>		Albert Ririe
 <u>Teamwork</u>	Mia Hutchin Woodpeckers	Callum Walker Owls	<u>Ospreys</u>	Freddie Chandler	Noah Feo
 <u>Working Hard</u>	Harry Clark Owls	Maya Roye Woodpeckers	<u>Owls</u>	Ava Bowles	Milo Magat

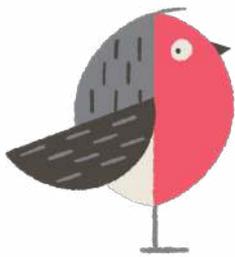
Class Information

Wrens



In Wrens, we have really enjoyed learning about Insects. We learnt the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar, helping us to count, learn the days of the week and to understand the caterpillar/butterfly lifecycle. We are also studying our own 5 caterpillars! It has been fascinating to learn that there are so many different types of butterfly, including one in the Amazon with an 89 on its wing! In Maths, we have been learning all about the teen numbers up to 20 and have been listening to numbers like 'sixteen' to hear that it sounds like 'six-ten', helping us to remember that it is 10 with 6 added on. We are also working very hard in Phonics and in our swimming lessons, building up our strength and confidence.

Robins



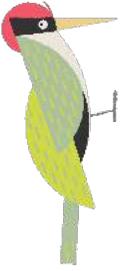
This fortnight in Robins we have learned lots of alternative graphemes and we are trying hard not to get muddled when we see the same spellings but they are making different sounds, or vice versa. We are practising our numeral formation daily so that we can now perfect our orientation and place value. In Science we have been discussing the properties of various materials, being sure not to confuse names of objects with the material/s from which they are made. We have noticed and discussed how when we first hold metal items from our class 'Treasure Basket' they always feel cold, until they've been in our hands a little while. We have learned the word 'transparent' this week and are beginning to recognise when an object has been made from a natural (raw) material or been manufactured. In English we are learning to write instructions and are now very familiar with many features that Instruction Texts have. Our understanding of Place Value within 50 has developed strongly and we are moving onto 100 next week. We have been able to explore our maths knowledge using various resources and representations and have been able to not only apply our understanding, but also do some analysing and evaluating within our maths challenges this week.

Kingfishers



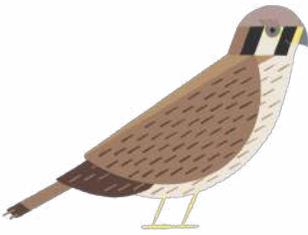
We have had a very busy couple of weeks in Kingfishers. In Maths we have been exploring fractions within shapes and fractions of a number. Kingfishers have really embraced the various methods used to find a fraction and have applied their learning in a variety of ways. In English we are learning about plants, and this week we have focused on exploring the life cycle of plants, and monitoring the growth and development of our own seeds we planted a few weeks ago. This week they have all worked so hard completing their SATs practise tests. They have all displayed amazing perseverance and the ability to adapt to the changes that have occurred to our time table and classroom in order to best prepare them for next week. As well as SATs practise, Kingfishers have been exploring and consolidating mathematical concepts, creating colourful pastel flowers in Art, swimming with Steve and participating in Multiskill lessons with Professional PE coach Nick, as well as enjoying lots of calm mindfulness activities in the afternoons.

Woodpeckers



This term we are really enjoying our science topic of rocks. We have looked at testing the different rocks, thinking carefully about ensuring that it was a fair test. The children loved finding out about the properties of the rocks. We are also starting to look at fossils and have created our own fossils using plaster of paris. In English, the children have finished their evacuee letter writing topic by creating an emotional letter home, explaining a negative experience in their new home. In Maths, we have finished our multiplication and division topic and the children amazed me with their hot maths! Their understanding of multiplication and division has hugely improved since year 2 and I was so proud of them. We have now moved onto the dreaded fractions, where we have started by finding $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ using resources and pictures. Swimming is still a highlight for Woodpeckers and we are enjoying our early morning swims twice a week- it sets us up ready for the day! In PE, we have also started to learn the rules of rounders so that we can hopefully build up to a short match at the end of the year. During enrichment, Woodpeckers have started art and have made a collage of water using different materials.

Kestrels



In Kestrels over the last couple weeks we have been continuing and finishing our unit of a discussion text as the children gave both their arguments for and against owning a dog (Sorry if they're now using these against you). They have also been continuing to explore the world of life the other side of the decimal point and using tenths and hundredths in our decimals unit. The children have been enjoying our new PE unit of rounders and for some of them this is the first time they have ever played rounders and therefore has led to competitive but fun PE lessons. The children have also really enjoy our unit on Ancient Egypt in particular all the blood and gore that comes with the learning of the mummification process, a particular highlight of the classes being how they used to pull the brains out the nose of the deceased. We have also been exploring the ever changing world of science with our unit State of Matter in which the children have been learning about what process's different states go through to become another, such as solid to liquid is melting.

Ospreys



King in English history.

These past two weeks have been very busy in Ospreys class. We have concluded our '50 ways to tell a Cinderella traditional fairy tale' unit in English, which resulted in us re-telling the traditional Cinderella story, only with our own independent, adapted ending. We began a new unit, focusing on plastic waste in the Ocean and how this is affecting our environment. We will continue by producing our own persuasive letter, where we will draw on personal experiences, logical arguments and compelling speech to influence readers.

In maths, we have continued exploring and converting mixed numbers, improper fractions and comparing and ordering fractions. We will be moving onto adding and subtracting fractions in the coming weeks.

In history, we have been researching and exploring King John and why he is such an important

Owls



SATs 2022 is now complete! Each and every one of you should be so unbelievably proud of your efforts over the last week. You have taken everything in your stride and continued to prove how amazing each and every one of you are. All we asked, was that you were your best selves and you did that with bells on!

We are so proud of you all.

Now to look forward to all of the exciting events left in the Summer term.

Important Dates

Date	Event
16.05.22	KS1 SATS week
16.05.22	Year 6 Bikeability starts
17.05.22	PE stars- Year 4, 5 & 6
18.05.22	PE stars- Year 1, 2 & 3
23.05.22	Year 6 learning review meetings this week
27.05.22	British Heart Foundation Event- details : Stebbing's Got Talent
27.05.22	End of half term
6th/7th June	Non pupil days
08.06.22	Back to school
04.07.22	Dance workshop all day funded by the AFSS
04.07.22	Multiskills KS1-AM KS2-PM
08.07.22	Sports Day KS1- AM KS2- PM
11.07.22	Music afternoon (whole school)
21.07.22	Leavers' Assembly (10:00-12:00)

