

## BE READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE and KIND

### HEADTEACHER

A poignant moment last week when two of our classes attended the short service at the War Memorial in Stebbing to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of D-Day. Our year 6 pupils had come together to create a wreath to lay on the memorial and Lily and Isaac laid this for us. Year 3 attended to enable them to reflect following their latest topic learning. All classes learnt more about D-Day during assembly.



### SPORT @ STEBBING

It's raining medals at Stebbing Primary School as we near closer to the end of the year and take part in more finals than ever before with much more to look forward to... The term started superbly as we took three teams to the year 5 rounders tournament at JFAN with all three teams competing superbly against 20 teams from the local area with Stebbing 2 finishing with the silver medal earning themselves a place in the Essex finals - a first for Stebbing Primary School in rounders. This was followed up by the wonderful KS1 multi-skills festival which saw a small group of children head over to Takeley Primary School to enjoy a morning of different events lead by superb leaders from SWCHS. To conclude last week, our two year 6 teams took part in the Dunmow family dodgeball tournament over at Felsted school which resulted in a highly competitive final match with Stebbing Yellow taking on Stebbing Blue with both teams leaving the tournament with a gold and a silver medal respectively. This week saw more tournaments with the USSP Quad kids event taking place at JFAN with 8 children from year 4 and 5 taking part in four different events (hence the name) including a jump, middle distance run, sprint and a throw. Finally, to conclude the busy two weeks which saw five events taking place in a 7 day period, our year 5 tennis squads took part in the USSP tennis finals at Stebbing Tennis Club competing superbly against the best tennis players in their age category in Essex coming in joint 2nd place to finish the week as we started the term with more silverware. Next week will see Robins and Kingfishers take part in scouting workshops, Year 3 & 4 girls start their three week block of football workshops with MRFA, and more tournaments for the children to enjoy!

### AFSS

Hello from the busy AFSS team! We are in full steam with finalising our Summer Party preparations, looking ahead to Summer Fete and even touching base with plans for the new September term. Firstly, we highly encourage you to take part in our Summer Party Auction as it offers some amazing and once-in-a-life-time opportunities to grab a bargain while supporting the school. The raffle prizes are out of this world also and with only £5 per strip, you can buy a few and make your chances of winning even greater. If you are reading this before the Summer Party, we want to encourage you to get there early! Drinks will be flowing during the happy hour from 6:30pm till 7:30pm! We can't wait to party with everyone and make this event the greatest party of the year.



## HEADTEACHER AWARDS

	Friday 7th June	Friday 14th June
Wrens	Sullivan & Evie	Alexander & Gunnar
Robins	Daniel & Millie	Meadow & Charlie. S
Kingfishers	Louie and Lois	Ivy & Axel
Woodpeckers	Jacob & Albert	Elijah & Evie
Kestrels	Lilly, Neve & Mia	Isla & Tilly
Ospreys	Ava B & Zack	Mila & Savannah
Owls	Amelie, Liana & Betsy	



## HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEADTEACHER



	Friday 7th June	Friday 14th June
Wrens	Dylan	Maisie
Robins	Jack	Rhys
Kingfishers	Skylla	Christopher
Woodpeckers	Isabella	Millie
Kestrels	Lottie	Amelie
Ospreys	Emilee	Ava N
Owls	Amelia Magat	

## PRESENTATION AWARDS

	Friday 7th June	Friday 14th June
Wrens	Ellie	
Robins	Charlie K	
Kingfishers	Monty	
Woodpeckers		Albert
Kestrels		Summer
Ospreys		Kaelyn
Owls		Lia

DATE	YEAR 6 AWARD	ATTENDANCE AWARD	LUNCHTIME AWARD	KEEP IT CLEAN AWARD
07.06.24	N/A	Woodpeckers	Nicolle	Remi & Miss Michaels
14.06.24	Year 1,2 & 4	Kingfishers	Amelie G	Wrens

						
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07.06.24	Kingfishers	Owls	Woodpeckers	Owls	Kingfishers	Robins
14.06.24	Robins	Kingfishers	Owls	Woodpeckers	Owls	Ospreys



# WRENS



# ROBINS



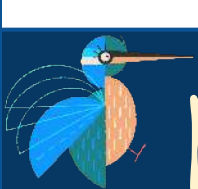
We are off on a train ride! And away we go...!

Wrens came back from their holiday with stories galore. It was so lovely to hear of days out, checking up on our vegetables and receiving postcards cards from our friends visiting interesting places. We jumped straight into a Phonics lesson and reviewed everything we have learnt so far. Our indoor learning included inferring the events in our story. Perfecting our cutting skills we built locomotives with a collection of familiar shapes. We are off to a camping adventure in our outdoor area. In Maths we have been doubling and halving using our new Double Bot and sharing snacks. Using mirrors we have proven our understanding today, working with the reflection of the number we wanted to double. During PSHE the Wrens explained their understanding about different family structures. Wrens started their sentences with: Sometimes a family.... We are so proud with how understanding and caring our friends have been during this lesson.

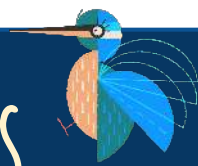
Next week we are off to the moon! Thank you for the cardboard and recycling already received. We look forward to building rockets together.

Robins would like to tell you...

Jack - We have done maths. I've really liked maths 'cause it's easy. We've been counting in twos and singing the pom pom song.  
Charlie. S - We've been counting to fifty.  
Grace - Twos are even numbers. The rekenreks help us.  
Bonnie-Blue - The Percy Parker song helps us count in twos.  
Rhys - We have been learning about plants.  
Mabel - We've been growing them; tomatoes and courgettes and lettuce. We learned some new singers; George Michael...  
Daniel - ... and Doris Day!  
Charlie. B - We've learned lots of different music from Doris Day.  
Archie - Alison something (Alison Moyet).  
Teddy - We have some lettuce each for our Fathers' Day.  
Evelyn - Our new Science topic is 'Materials'.  
Cooper - We've been learning about metal; it's shiny, silver coloured, metal can be spray painted. It feels hard and cold.  
Millie - We've been learning music with Mrs Pickering.  
Kalia - We finished our Peter Rabbit books.  
Amelie - In the morning we write in our blue books now every single day about a picture.  
Ben - We looked at our plants and ate the lettuce (salad leaf).



# KINGFISHERS



# WOODPECKERS



Kingfishers have had a very productive first couple of weeks back this half term.

We got straight back to it in English, where we have continued our fantasy stories from last half term. In Maths we are consolidating and exploring time.

In Science we have observed and discussed the upcoming changes that are occurring as we enter the Summer season, and our new topic this half term is habitats.

In Geography we have been analysing maps and focused on identifying the key, in order to help us understand and read maps accurately.

Kingfishers loved designing their own pizzas for DT this term. They created their own key and symbols to represent their toppings.

In Grammar we have been exploring prefixes 'un' and 're'. We have focused on their purpose and how they change the meaning of the word.

In PE we have been focusing on multi skills. Kingfishers have practised a range of skills including aim, control, balance and speed and agility.

And we are another two weeks in. It's amazing how quickly the days seem to pass by.

We have continued with our 'Time' maths unit. After spending some time exploring minutes and hours on the clock before half term, we then progressed onto 'years, months and days'.

We explored a number of different ways to help us remember the different calendar months and investigated the number of days in each month. We also discussed the concept of leap years and how these differ from non-leap years.

In Science, we began our new topic 'Plants'. We spent some time learning about different parts of a plant and then looked into the different functions of these parts. The children then sketched their own plant in their books and labelled each of thee parts.

As this month was the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings on the Normandy beaches. The Parish council thought it appropriate to commemorate this with plaques throughout the village and the laying of a wreath. We attended at midday on the memorial of behalf of our community in Stebbing to pay our respects to those who fell, for their heroism and fortitude.



I can't believe the first two weeks of the final term have already come to an end! As you can imagine, the children have been working incredibly hard on their times tables ready for the multiplication check, which they had at the end of the week. They all made us so proud and know how hard they have all worked both at school and at home to get to where they are! We have also finished our decimals topic and have been busy rounding to the nearest whole number and comparing sizes of decimals. In English, we have started the new text type of a nature documentary, which the children have absolutely loved so far! We have been watching various different nature documentaries and learning new facts about animals. They are already so excited to get started on their own! In science, we have also started learning about living things including classification systems. In art, the children have also been busy decorating their canopic jars, which they created at the end of the last term.

What another great couple of weeks we have had! Osprey's have LOVED meeting some of their buddies this week and they were so kind and helpful and looked after them superbly, next week, some of the other children will also get to meet their buddies if they attend Maynard's. We also have plans for the children to spend some time in the nursery in small groups to aid with all of the new children's transitions, we have certainly got some super Owls in the making, I just knew that they would step up to the challenge so brilliantly. Ospreys have also loved learning about Romeo & Juliet, the children have been so mature and patient when some of the language has been tricky to understand, they have read the extracts as a class beautifully and asked lots of really probing questions. Whilst reading, we have been enjoying some short clips, creating cartoon scripts and doing some drama pieces. In geography, we have had fun exploring maps and learning all about the different uses they have, we are going to spend some time exploring the local area in the next few weeks, so keep your eyes peeled on Class Dojo for those arrangements.



Where are the weeks going! What a hectic few weeks it has been in Owls class the past two weeks with rounders tournaments, UV dodgeball workshops, more rounders tournaments, bikeability, quad kids, Crucial Crew, tennis and much, much more. It is only going to get busier as we approach the final weeks of the year.

In between the chaos, we have found time to start our new English unit of work as the children construct their own individual survival guides to year 6 ready to hand over the baton to their friends in year 6. We have also started a curriculum/enterprise based project whereby the children are working in small groups to become theme park tycoons as they pull together their skills in budgeting, advertisement, management and teamwork to build the most successful theme park in the class - all with the tight budget of £5,000,000.

In PSHE, we had a lovely lesson discussing our experience on social media and the impact what we see has on our body image perception. As part of the lesson, the children shared with their peers what they love about each other and then, to conclude the lesson, the children put together a lovely video showing some self-love and self-appreciation for things they love about themselves, either relating to their physical appearance or their personality. It was lovely to have such mature and insightful discussions as a class where they all listened intently to each other and showed a wonderful level of respect for their peers enabling the class to open up in a safe and secure environment.

## Design and Technology

Design and technology in our primary school plays a crucial role in nurturing creativity and problem-solving skills among students. Through hands-on projects and practical activities, students are able to explore their interests and develop their innovative thinking skills. From exploring and creating various mechanisms to designing and fashioning items linked to other areas of the curriculum, design and technology classes provide a platform for students to apply their knowledge in a real-world context. By encouraging experimentation and opportunities to collaborate with each other, students learn to embrace challenges and come up with unique solutions to complex problems. These skills not only prepare students for future careers in STEM fields but also promote a mindset of continuous learning and adaptation in an ever-changing world. Overall, design and technology education in our primary school helps students to become confident, resourceful, and forward-thinking individuals.

Miss Fifield

# EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
17.06.24	Y6 Class Photograph
17.06.24	Police positive action workshop for Owls & Ospreys
18.06.24	Scooting workshop for Robins and Kingfishers
20.06.24	Robins to Audley End
27.06.24	Class Photographs R and Years 1 to 5
27-28th June	HRS transition days
04.07.24	Year 5 HRS taster day
04.07.24	Community Day - volunteers needed! More information to follow soon.
05.07.24	Sports day
06.07.24	AFSS Summer fete
08.07.24	Multi-skills day
10.07.24	SEND family consultations
11.07.24	Owls Class Learning Review Meetings
12.07.24	Owls end of year trip
15.07.24	Music concert 1-3pm
18.07.24	AFSS school disco
23.07.24	Leavers' assembly 10:00-12:00
23.07.24	Break up for summer holidays