



Stebbing Primary School



Stebbing Spotlight

<u>Important Messages</u>	<u>Headteacher</u>
<p>As you will have all seen, swimming is back at Stebbing and we cannot wait for the children to start on Tuesday 27th April 2020. A huge thank you to Mrs Cox, Mrs Radford and Mr Radford for ensuring the swimming pool is ready for the children's first swimming lesson with Steve. This year, due to the amended timetable, we are asking for a reduced contribution of £30 towards the cost of swimming. The AFSS have also kindly offered to contribute an additional £5 towards the total cost with the remaining funds taken from the Sports Premium Grant (SPG) and Pupil Premium Grant (PPG). For more information on how the SPG and PPG are spent, please head to the school's website.</p>	<p>Welcome back! We hope the children had a good first week back after the Easter break. It is very exciting to be back in school for the summer term and we hope that some of our 'usual' activities may be able to take place over this term-if restrictions continue to be lifted. As I am sure you are aware, we are thrilled to welcome Steve Kidman back to school to lead our swimming lessons. Further information is noted in the important messages section. I hope to be able to give further details of some summer term activities the children will be able to look forward to over the coming weeks.</p> <p>Just a reminder, if you are collecting your child from school at the end of the day please avoid waiting in our car park. If you have a dog with you then your child will need to be old enough to walk by themselves and meet you on the front pavement outside the school grounds. The car park can be very busy and this is not an entrance/exit. This is only for people who have permission to park in there. Thank you for your cooperation.</p>



Welcome back to the Summer term which we hope, along with the easing of restrictions, will be a term that brings hope and joy to everyone in the school community. We still feel unable to plan any 'face to face' events this term but hope to be able to plan lovely things in the new school year - disco's, quiz nights, Christmas Fayre & Market - fingers crossed we will be back on track come September!

The planned Virtual Balloon Race that we launched during the Easter holidays has been cancelled as unfortunately we did not have enough entrants. We have a list of people that did enter and they will be in 'credit' for future events. We hope that is OK but please do let one of the AFSS team, or the office, know if you would prefer a refund.

Swimming at Stebbing is one of the highlights of the year and we are so excited to be able to support the school in providing this fantastic opportunity to every child. This year, we will be making a £5 donation per child towards the cost of offering swimming to the children on top of your £30 contributions. This will go a long way in supporting the school in providing the children with the crucial life skill that the children unfortunately missed out on last year. Whilst this does not cover the full cost of swimming, we are looking at ways to fundraise in the future to make swimming more affordable for all of us - watch this space!

We are also thrilled that we have a new AFSS secretary all will be revealed in the next Spotlight!

Awards

	<u>Friday 26th March</u>	<u>Friday 16th April</u>
<u>Wrens</u>	Elijah Sandom & Ivy Page-Blackley	Rafael Roye & James Dawson
<u>Robins</u>	Mia Putley & Wren Chandler	All of Robins class
<u>Kingfishers</u>	Darcy Stewart-Wheatley & Ji Bucknell	Sophia Allen & Elliot Hogg
<u>Woodpeckers</u>	Lily Lacovic & Frankie Klimkie	Dan Bota & Olivia Wright
<u>Kestrels</u>	Poppy Jean Hogg & Lan Bucknell	Malachy Rook & Brooke Edridge
<u>Ospreys</u>	Alex Whitbread & Ellode Lyons	William Foxtan & Daisy Smith
<u>Owls</u>	Luis Sandom & Trinity Molony	Matilda Page-Blackley & Harry Brinkley

	<u>Presentation Award Winners</u>	
<u>Wrens</u>	Albie Beales	
<u>Robins</u>	Hunter Clark-Smith	
<u>Kingfishers</u>	Ethan Thorp	
<u>Woodpeckers</u>		Finlee Northcote
<u>Kestrels</u>		Kai Baldock
<u>Ospreys</u>		Ava Bowles
<u>Owls</u>		Henry Hill

<u>Date</u>	<u>TT Rockstars</u> % of active players	<u>Spelling Shed</u>	<u>Maths Shed</u>	<u>Lunchtime Award</u>	<u>Attendance Award</u>
26.03.21	Owls 12% Kestrels 5% Woodpeckers 5% Ospreys 4%	Robins	Wrens	Serena Derjaj and Isabelle Arnett BOTH for lovely behaviour and always eating their lunch.	
16.04.21	Owls 67% Ospreys 11% Kestrels 5% Woodpeckers 5%	Owls	Owls	Euan Yapp for having wonderful manners and being a perfect role model in the hall.	

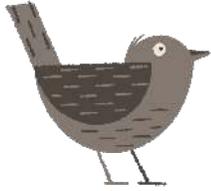


ClassDojo

	<u>Dojo Award Winners</u>			<u>Dojo Points Winners</u>	
 <u>Being Helpful</u>	Rosie Coop Owls	Ariana Bota Owls	<u>Wrens</u>	Isabella Dawson	Albert Smith
 <u>Being Kind</u>	Arthur Knight Kestrels	Clara Bean Wrens	<u>Robins</u>	Albie Edridge, Isla Donohue & Remi Roberts	Archie Philp
 <u>Good Manners</u>	Poppy Bloss Ospreys	Ji Bucknell Kingfishers	<u>Kingfishers</u>	Ji Bucknell	Ji Bucknell
 <u>Listening</u>	Scarlett Dawson Wrens	Grace Greenwood Woodpeckers	<u>Woodpeckers</u>	Rocco Chandler and William Ririe	Archie Wigmore
 <u>Perseverance</u>	Dan Bota Woodpeckers	Jasmine Heakin Robins	<u>Kestrels</u>	Noah Feo	Brooke Edridge
 <u>Teamwork</u>	Freddie Foxton Robins	Leigh Lyons and Eira Fulcher Kestrels	<u>Ospreys</u>	Max Desmond	Poppy Coates
 <u>Working Hard</u>	Phoebe Haddad Kingfishers	Lola-Rai Ospreys	<u>Owls</u>	Evie Moon	Rebe Roberts

Class Information

Wrens



We had a very busy week back at school last week. Wrens were excited to be back together and have come back with a fantastic attitude towards learning. In maths we have started to look at building numbers beyond 10. Already the children are fantastic at recognising that a 'teen' number is made up of 1 ten and some more. They have represented the numbers using Numicon, tens frames and a new maths resource, the Rekenrek. In phonics we have continued to recap phase 3 and move on to learning some new digraphs. We are focusing on simple sentence writing and have lots of opportunities to do this during choosing time. Our tiny caterpillars have arrived and we enjoyed placing each one into their new home so we can watch them grow and form their chrysalis. We learnt all about their life cycle using the story of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. We are fantastic at retelling this story, using lots of key storytelling language. On Thursday, we met Steve, our new swimming teacher. We learnt all about pool safety and what we need to bring with us for each swimming lesson. We can't wait to start our lessons. We also had our first PE lesson with Nick. The children listened to his instructions wonderfully and practised aiming at a target. Have a look at our Class Dojo page for lots of pictures.

Robins



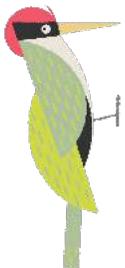
This week we have enjoyed being responsible for our own learning, selecting and completing tasks independently, pushing our learning on, supporting our friends and taking control of developing our skills. On 'Montessori mercredi' this week we planted a mystery seed with Mrs Radford and did adding with Mrs Lonnen-Smith to become more fluent. We worked together without an adult to match pictures representing rhyming words to help us with our Phonological awareness (hearing sounds & sound patterns in words). We are working *really hard* now to be more speedy at recalling Sight Words, Digraphs, our Bonds to 10, and we are moving onto Bonds to 20 in 'Magical Maths' too now. In PE we have played more 3 Tees cricket matches together and now can set up the pitch independently too. In PSHE today we set up 3 jars of rice in our class. This is for our emotional literacy, mental health but also our friendship skills - one jar will be given compliments each time we pass it, one jar of rice will be beside our Worry Box & Zones of Regulation board for us to offload any anxiety, sadness or grumpy feelings if they arise, the other we will leave alone. We will observe, & discuss, changes in the rice over this half term.

Kingfishers



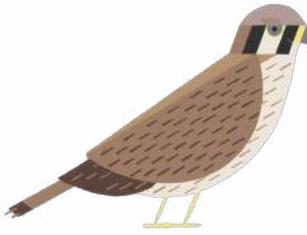
We have had a fun-filled first week back at school! We have welcomed a new member to our team, Miss Peters who is doing her teaching placement with us this term. The children have been enjoying getting to know her this week and we are looking forward to her starting to teach us a little next week too. We have also jumped straight into our new recipe writing topic in English, where we have been focusing on the book *Beware of the Boys*. We have read 3 recipes to make boy soup, boy pie and boy cake and have started to think of our own whacky ingredients to turn Mrs Hammond into a toad! In maths we have recapped money and learnt how to 'dive deeper' in our maths lessons if we finish a task. In Science, we have started to classify things into living, dead and never been alive. In Topic, we looked at what it means to be significant, thinking about the people in our lives who are significant to us. We then thought about people who might be significant in history and what they might have done. Kingfishers have also loved their swimming safety chat with Steve this week and are eager to get into the pool.

Woodpeckers



What a fantastic week to kick start our summer term! We have been focusing on and talking about respect a lot this week in Woodpeckers and the children have been very mindful of showing and being respectful within all that they do, which has been lovely to see. Woodpeckers have been consolidating their number skills in maths this week and we have begun our new English topic, fairy tales. The children have been sharing their current understanding and knowledge of fairy tales, as well as reading a variety of different fairy tale stories and I can't wait to see what brilliant, imaginative characters they create for their very own fairy tale in the coming week. In science we have introduced our new topic - Rocks. The children were asked to sort the rocks into groups, depending on a variety of factors and share with the class a 'unique' rock they found and explain why they thought it was different from the rest. In History we have begun our World War 2 topic and we will be exploring the many ways in which our local community was affected by the war. We have had a very highly anticipated visit from Stebbing's swimming instructor, Steve. Steve spoke to the class about swimming safety and answered lots of questions that the children had. It was very clear to see that Woodpeckers are excited and eager to get back in the pool.

Kestrels



It feels like this first week back has flown by! Everyone has been working hard and is looking ready for the weekend. We have started some exciting new topics this week in our foundation subjects. Ancient Egypt is looking set to be one of our favourite topics. We started off by looking at our world history timeline and recognising the period of history we would be studying. We've already had lots of discussions and shared the knowledge we already have so we are looking forward to learning more. In Science we have started working on Living Things and their Habitats. We have had a go at classifying animals and will be moving on to looking at vertebrates and invertebrates next week. In English we have enjoyed bringing in the Egyptians, focusing on a video about the explorer Tadeo Jones! We have been thinking about similes and personification, and using our senses to describe a setting. We have been working extremely hard in Maths to learn to tell the analogue time. We first focused in on the minute hand to see how it moves around the clock, before looking at the hour hand. We have now been able to combine them and discuss past and to. We will continue practising this at the beginning of next week before moving on to the digital time. We really enjoyed getting to see Steve after so long and to talk about swimming. We can't wait to start!

Ospreys



What a super first week we have had back at school! The children have enjoyed catching up with friends, starting our enrichment sessions again and seeing Steve after missing a summer with him last year. With the increase in sports during the summer term, can all children have their full PE kits in school at all times please. Again, I have been so impressed with the way the children have come back to school, their focus is fabulous and have got straight back into hard work mode again. It was also really lovely catching up with you all for our virtual parents evenings this week, thank you as always for your continued support. In English this week we have started our explanation texts. We are using a video of giraffes diving into a swimming pool for inspiration and we have all studied in detail what it takes to perfect a dive. In maths we are still ploughing through fractions- this week our focus has been fractions sequences and comparing and ordering. Next week we will move onto adding fractions with the same and then different denominators. In science our new topic is animals and their habitats and in history we will be learning all about British Kings and Queens. We finally finished our class book this week too and I think it is safe to say that we were hanging off of every word by the end of it!

Owls



The children have all returned back to school after the Easter break, entering their final term at Stebbing Primary School with a fantastic attitude ready to hit the ground running in what promises to be a memorable term. In English this week, we have started our journey into persuasive advertisement identifying an array of methods of advertisement and identifying common features. The children have been working hard to use said persuasive writing devices to advertise a range of items before designing their own new product next week and creating an advertisement campaign. In maths, we are coming to the end of our fractions, decimals and percentages journey as the children have been calculating percentages of amounts and looking at percentage increase and decrease as we turned Owls classroom into a shop. It was also wonderful to welcome Steve back - as the children haven't seen Steve since their swimming in year 4, we had a catch up, went over some of the pool rules and the children designed their very own pool safety poster summarising the key points. Our new History and science units have been a hit with the children so far as we learn about Crime and Punishment through the ages starting off with the Romans and in science, investigating how we see colour through optical filters. We are also taking part in plenty of PE with two lessons a week on top of the eventual swimming lessons with Steve. This week, we worked on our throwing, catching and bowling in rounders whilst reminding ourselves how to play a forehand and backhand in tennis working on our hand-eye coordination at the same time. Finally, in RE, following the conclusion of our work into Christianity, we have moved onto Humanism where the children developed their understanding of the term 'Worldview' and spent the first lesson creating their own Worldview encompassing their own views, opinions and beliefs. Thank you all for attending this week's family consultation meetings, it was lovely discussing your child's progress, how they have settled back into school life and looking ahead at this term's plans.

Important Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
26.03.21	End of term
12.04.20	Back to school- Start of the Summer term
27.04.21	Swimming starts for KS1
29.04.21	Swimming starts for KS2
28.05.21	Break up for half term
07.06.21	Non pupil day
08.06.21	Non pupil day
09.06.21	Back to school
21.07.21	End of the school year

