



# Stebbing Primary School



## Stebbing Spotlight

### Important Messages

Back to school on Monday  
2nd November!

Due to the building work it is difficult to leave scooters and bikes at school as the access is limited.

If you can take bikes/scooters home after drop off this would be appreciated.

Alternatively you could leave it in the playground. Please note bikes/scooters left in the playground are left at your own risk.

### Headteacher



We can't believe that we have come to the end of our first half-term back at school. It has been great to welcome all of our families back to school and in particular see how settled our new reception children are.

Our building work has started well. The weather has not been very kind to the builders, however, this hasn't deterred them!

The plan is still for the classrooms to be installed during the half-term holiday.

They expect this to happen on Friday now. I will be sure to take plenty of photos to document this. Here are a couple of photos of their progress so far!



A HUGE thank you to you all! We have had one of the best starts to the half-term with regards to attendance at school. This is so positive. Thank you!



Thank you to everyone that bought tickets for this half term's raffle. We raised £260! Next term we will do a children's raffle so keep an eye out on DoJo for more information! Please do have a look, if you haven't already, at your child's DoJo portfolio to see their individual Christmas designs. They are all so lovely! Once you sign up to <https://www.cauliflowercards.co.uk/parents-shop> you can order Christmas cards, mugs, tags and even Christmas paper! A pack of 12 cards are £5.50, with £1 will be donated to the AFSS! (please note the Online Parent Shop will close on the 9th November). We also have two fabulous parents (Hannah Wigmore & Emma Fulcher) completing a Triathlon on the 8th November on behalf of the school. If you can spare a few pounds to sponsor them it may spur them on! [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/Hannah-and-Emma](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/Hannah-and-Emma) As always thank you for your continued support and have a lovely half term

# Awards

	<u>Friday 16th October 2020</u>	<u>Thursday 22nd October 2020</u>
<u>Wrens</u>	Sophia Wigmore & Florence Price	Dexter Lodge & James Dawson
<u>Robins</u>	Nathaniel Bota & Isla Donohue	Oscar Flaxman & Nellie Burns
<u>Kingfishers</u>	Emilee Atkins & Harriet Young	Zachary Cohen & Darcy Stewart-Wheatly
<u>Woodpeckers</u>	Poppy-May Smith & Grace Greenwood	Brody Kiberd & Olivia Wright
<u>Kestrels</u>	Alden McGonagle & Hollie Reeve	Henley McPherson & Noah Feo
<u>Ospreys</u>	Lola-Rai Chandler & Euan Yapp	Ellode Lyons & Alfie Price
<u>Owls</u>	Henry Hill & Talula Page-Blackley	Evie Moon & Bastien Feo

	<u>Presentation Award Winners</u>	
<u>Wrens</u>	Ivy Page-Blackley	
<u>Robins</u>	Archie Philp	
<u>Kingfishers</u>	Elly Wootton	
<u>Woodpeckers</u>		Amelie Hiskey
<u>Kestrels</u>		Kai Baldock
<u>Ospreys</u>		Max Desmond
<u>Owls</u>		Ellie Piggott-Yeoman

<u>Date</u>	<u>TT Rockstars</u>	<u>Spelling Shed</u>	<u>Lunchtime Award</u>	<u>Attendance Award</u>
16.10.20	Owls	Owls	Liana Earle For always using her manners and eating all her lunch	Woodpeckers
22.10.20	Owls	Robins	Jack Donohue for always enjoying and finishing all of his lunch	Woodpeckers & Wrens



# ClassDojo

	<u>Dojo Award Winners</u>			<u>Dojo Points Winners</u>	
 <u>Being Helpful</u>	Amelia Magat Woodpeckers	Savannah Edwards-Riches Kingfishers	<u>Wrens</u>	Millie Patch	Isabella Dawson
 <u>Being Kind</u>	Freddie Foxton Robins	Shae Baldock Kestrels	<u>Robins</u>	Freddie Foxton & Oscar Flaxman	Mia Putley
 <u>Good Manners</u>	Brooke Edridge Kestrels	Oscar Flaxman Robins	<u>Kingfishers</u>	Maya Roye	Zachary Cohen
 <u>Listening</u>	Annabelle Cole Ospreys	Mei Bucknell Owls	<u>Woodpeckers</u>	Albert Ririe	Finlee Northcote
 <u>Perseverance</u>	Charlotte Wallbank Owls	Whole class in Maths and English Woodpeckers	<u>Kestrels</u>	Jensen and Sienna Ball	Malachy Rook
 <u>Teamwork</u>	Ethan Thorp Kingfishers	Frederick Zellej Wrens	<u>Ospreys</u>	Alfie Price	Bea Earle
 <u>Working Hard</u>	Elijah Sandom Wrens	Poppy Hughes Ospreys	<u>Owls</u>	Mei Bucknell	Maisey Lynch

# Class Information

## Wrens



Wrens have had a wonderful two weeks learning about people who help us. They were excited to share the jobs that their Mum's and Dad's do and enjoyed learning about other occupations. They practised calling 999 using our play phones during Mrs Earle's firefighter training. Wrens were fantastic at spotting fire safety in the classroom too - see our Dojo page for pictures. We started phase 2 phonics and have learnt s, a, t, p, i, n, m and d so far. Wrens are trying hard to hear these sounds at the beginning of words, recognise these sounds and write them. They have enjoyed having lots of opportunities to write in sand, flour and glitter and have loved giant writing in phonics lessons. In maths we have been comparing groups of objects and have used the language of more and fewer. They were great at recognising more when we were talking about sweets! This week they have explored making patterns. We have used many different objects in the classroom and have even challenged ourselves to make pattern mistakes during Dive Deeper time. Superhero day was a fantastic finale to our Super Special Me topic. See Dojo for wonderful pictures. I hope you all have a wonderful half term break. I cannot believe Wrens have completed their first half term at school. I have loved getting to know the children and watch them progress so much

already! See you on Monday 2nd November.

## Robins



We have been writing captions in class, learning that captions have to explain a picture. We have also been using a toolkit ('Successful suitcase') to check and edit our own work, and the work of our 2 puppet friends Loopy Lou & Mitsy Motsy Moo. We have loved our time outside exploring nature in Forest School. We have spotted millipedes and many other bugs. We have made paintbrushes using sticks and leaves; it has been epic! We did get a little muddy but have done well at changing out of our waterproofs and wellies, and wiping our faces. In maths we have been adding, in particular using part-whole models which Robins are managing very well now. In RE we have been learning about 'Special Places' not just to us related to home and school but of different world religions. We have found this fascinating seeing the similarities and the differences. In Art we have continued to develop our drawing skills, using lines and shapes to interpret the Houses of Parliament. This week we even used charcoal which was fun; slightly messy at times but fun. In PE we have continued developing our tennis skills and many of us can now do 'backhand'. Next half term we shall focus on 'dance' in PE lessons, but it

will still be outside so school PE jumpers and tracksuit bottoms will definitely be needed. Can't wait to see you in November! Have fun!

## Kingfishers



We have had a really busy final 2 weeks of school before half term so they should all be suitably exhausted by Thursday! In maths we have started to explore addition and subtraction and wow! Our in depth exploration of place value has indeed helped us with this as they are all working so hard at really understanding the concepts and the different ways that we can work out questions. In English, we created some beautiful acrostic poems on Autumn, thinking carefully about using our senses to describe all the different things that we notice in Autumn. In art the children loved painting to music, thinking about the emotions that the different sounds created. In our travel and transport topic we thoroughly enjoyed learning about the first flight and creating our own paper aeroplanes! In our final week we have also been designing what we think the future holds for transport, which were very interesting! Wishing every single member of Kingfishers a wonderful half term- you have all been little

superstars and we are so proud of each and every one of you. See you in November!

## Woodpeckers



Woodpeckers have had a brilliant 2 weeks approaching half term. We have been learning about the muscular system in science and in groups the children created their own 'Muscle Man'. In maths we have been adding and subtracting 3-digit and 2-digit numbers using a variety of representations, with a strong focus on their fluency with numbers, which all of Woodpeckers have done incredibly well in. In English the children have generated their own characters and settings and created their own fable. In art the children created portraits of the 'Mona Lisa' by tearing and sticking paper and the detail and overall presentation was amazing,

especially as they could not cut with scissors - we were all SO impressed! Woodpeckers, I am so proud of how well you have all settled back into school this half term. I hope you have a brilliant and well-deserved week off, and I look forward to seeing you all very soon.

## Kestrels



After completing several pieces of writing last week which we had worked really hard on, this week we have enjoyed working on a project for Black History Month. We have been looking closely at the style of Kate Pankhurst biographical books. The pages are beautifully presented, very eye catching and present bite size pieces of information. We each chose a person to study, spent time researching and making notes, planned the layouts of our posters, and have had fun cutting out lots of colours and shapes to present our work on. Everyone has been so focused and interested in this topic. In Maths, we have completed our hot maths for addition and subtraction. This is such a large topic and the class has worked hard on lots of concrete, pictorial and abstract methods. Next we will be working on length and perimeter, then multiplication and division with a focus on times tables. Last Friday we enjoyed making food chain mobiles to finish animals including humans.

## Ospreys



I can't really believe that we have come to the end of our first half term already. I can't express how amazed I am at the children's attitudes to coming back to school after having such a long time off. They have learnt very quickly the expectations of what it is to be a year 5 member of Stebbing Primary. It has been really lovely to welcome two new members to class, who have settled in really well. I have worked them extremely hard this half term and they have proved that they have been able to rise to the challenge. They certainly all deserve a well deserved rest over half term. Despite the restrictions, I hope you all manage to create some special memories. After half term, we will be continuing our nature documentaries in English and moving onto our multiplication and division block in maths. With this in mind, please support your child with their times table learning at home. They all have access to TT rockstars and this does really help with fluency. We are also going to be starting our Space topic in science as well as Extreme Earth in Geography (two of my favourites to teach!) I am going to post some knowledge organisers on DOJO so, if you would like, you can share them with your child to get one step ahead before we come back! Have a lovely (safe) and restful half term everyone! You all deserve it!!

## Owls



I am sure that I speak on behalf of all members of the Owls class that this half term has been a fantastic reintroduction to school for our wonderful year 6 children. They have settled into life as a year 6 with ease and have dealt with all of the changes that have had to be made in order to operate the school in a safe manner. Whilst it is a shame that they have not had the opportunity to experience the full year 6 package just yet, I am sure that time will come.

You will be aware that the children have been sitting some past paper SATs over the past two weeks. I am extremely impressed with not only their attitude towards the tests but also their application of their skills and motivation to do the very best they can do. I have shared all of the children's scores with them individually today and have given you all access to the document that we will use to track your child's performances in tests throughout the year. I will upload instructions onto Class Dojo explaining how to access the document.

I hope you all have a splendid week with your families and despite many plans being cancelled or amended, make the most of the week away from school before the children return for the second half of Autumn ter which will see

the children continue to work hard have fun and build up to Christmas in a very new way - but worry not, we have lots of exciting plans in place to replace our usual festivities.

Finally, we will also be starting up our traditional maths after school club for all of the children in Owls class. A letter has come home with your child today with all of the information that you need

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# Important Dates

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Date	Event
22.10.20	Break up for half term
23.10.20	Non pupil day
31.10.20	Closing date for Year 6 secondary school applications
02.11.20	Back to school
09.11.20	Reception 2021 primary applications open
18.12.20	End of term
04.01.21	Non pupil day
05.01.21	Back to school- Start of the Spring term
15.01.21	Reception 2021 primary applications closing date
11.02.21	Break up for half term
12.02.21	Non pupil day
22.02.21	Back to school
26.03.21	End of term
12.04.20	Back to school- Start of the Summer term
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

