

## BE READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE and KIND

### HEADTEACHER

### IMPORTANT NOTICES



### What a lovely half-term we have had!

Last Saturday Mrs Earle arranged a morning working in the vegetable patch garden for Wrens parents and children. As you may have noticed we have been so productive and not only weeded but we had a very generous donation from a parent's company and managed to replace all of the vegetable patch beds so that they will hopefully last us longer.

The children have taken time and care to plant their fruits and vegetables and are learning how to look after these. We hope to be able to share the fruits of their labour next half-term!

Due to the success of this event we plan to run another day on Thursday 4th July. We always ask our Year 6 pupils to 'give back' a little and have in the past asked them to help us create the wellbeing garden, repaint fences, create special

spaces in school. This year we have a long list of jobs and our year 6 pupils will be off timetable for the day.

If any parents/grandparents/family members wish to help us it would be lovely to have volunteers to repaint areas, weed, garden and build new play equipment. Please let me know if you are able to support us in this. I know companies sometimes offer a 'community/volunteer day'. If your company does and you can help us we would be really grateful.

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### MUSIC CONCERT

MONDAY 15TH JULY 2024

Please use the Google Form link below to express your child's interest in taking part in the music concert which will be taking place at Stebbing Primary School on Monday 15th July 2024.

<https://forms.gle/vaNvsGsoxMMLWse7A>

### SPORT @ STEBBING

### AFSS

Unfortunately, the weather has dampened our spirits with a few events being wiped from the calendar this summer term but we have managed to take part in two events these past two weeks.

Last week, our year 5&6 boys and girls cricket squads represented Stebbing at the DEEP family Dynamo cricket tournament at Felsted School. Both teams competed superbly coming in 2nd and 3rd place respectively. Today, Owls class were put through their paces with Nick Wilderspin to learn a selection of activities which they then delivered to all of our KS1 classes throughout the day. Take a look on Class Dojo for a brief summary of the events that took place.

Happy Friday to everyone!! The AFSS has been a bit quiet as we polish our plans for the summer. The excitement is rising as we wait for the SOLD-OUT summer party! We are in search of amazing raffle prizes so if you have a local company providing services, please consider us and donate a voucher. All proceeds from the raffle will go straight to the Swimming Pool pot - what a great way to support our school! Unfortunately it seems like the planned camping for June 22nd will need to be cancelled as we haven't have enough volunteers to organise the event. However, if you are willing to step up and help out, please message Iida on 07783957252 to discuss more. It'd be great to get able to do this camping for the whole school community. That's it for now, have a fun half term!



## HEADTEACHER AWARDS

	Friday 17th May	Friday 24th May
Wrens	Avalon & Devon	Benjamin & Larosa
Robins	Archie & Mabel	Jack & Daisy
Kingfishers	Holly & Jake	Monty & Harry
Woodpeckers	Clara & Sienna	Frederick & Vinnie
Kestrels	Summer & Charlie	Isla & Alex
Ospreys	Kody & Darcy	Isabelle & Darcy
Owls	Owls Class	Florrie & Millie



## HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEADTEACHER



	Friday 17th May	Friday 24th May
Wrens	Elijah	Rhys
Robins	Bonnie-Blue	Dolly
Kingfishers	Fletcher	Alasdair
Woodpeckers	Isabella	Mia
Kestrels	Amelia	Albie
Ospreys	Hayden	Ji
Owls	Owls class	Saskia

## PRESENTATION AWARDS

	Friday 17th May	Friday 24th May
Wrens	Charlie	
Robins	Henley	
Kingfishers	Samuel	
Woodpeckers		Sienna
Kestrels		Charlie
Ospreys		Maya
Owls		Amelia

DATE	YEAR 6 AWARD	ATTENDANCE AWARD	LUNCHTIME AWARD	KEEP IT CLEAN AWARD
17.05.24	All of the Wrens - from Lia	Owls	Nicolle	
24.05.24	Alexander	Kestrels	Olivia	

						
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17.05.24	Kingfishers	Robins	Ospreys	Robins	Ospreys	Kingfishers
24.05.24	Woodpeckers	Ospreys	Robins	Woodpeckers	Owls	Ospreys



# WRENS



# ROBINS

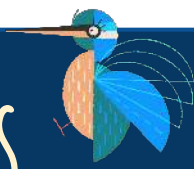


In PSHE we have read the book, Red Rockets and Rainbow Jelly. The Wrens enjoyed discussing likes and dislikes with their friends. We did some sequencing and writing on how to make jelly and a super snack time when we had to choose between Rocket Lollies and Rainbow Jelly. Your generous seed donations has made our learning journey so much fun during our Go Outdoors Topic. Our seeds have now sprouted into little plants and we are optimistic to take them outside into our new vegetable beds. Thank you for the volunteers and helpers who have helped to not just repair (plan A) but REPLACE (plan awesome) and prepare our beds. We are overjoyed and revealing the space to Wrens on Monday was just such a lovely treat and privilege. We will pay forward your kindness by sharing this space with other year groups. Allowing the children to do as much of the caring and maintaining themselves enhance their learning so much. Please take care when collecting children and moving through this space. Feel free to grab a watering can and water our plants if you are passing the space on a weekend and throughout the half term. That wraps up our Come Outside topic. We look forward to our last topic of the year: And away we go...transport, space and our journey to becoming Robins. Watch this space for ways to get involved.

Highlights for Robins this 1/2 term have been... parent visits, cricket, measuring and our immersive Victorian Days. The children really got a good sense of what life was like for children in Victorian Times and their memory of facts has proved how worthwhile this style of learning is. Measuring length and height was a weakness among the whole class but with lots of practical first hand experience together they have managed to grasp it. The ability for the class to take ownership of their 3 Tees Cricket games has been SO impressive and one of those moments which really warms a teacher's heart, embeds a very happy and proud memory into the brain and puts a solid smile on the face. There's been much focus in PSHE lessons about our bodies and how to be respectful to other people and respectful of their bodies - it was emphasised to our year group, not only about playing kindly and gently but also keeping our hands to ourselves and about being respectful of other people's privacy. We have a poster on our window to remind us that if **one** person is not having fun, then we must stop; as we are reminded by our 'No Outsiders' stories and our Stitch quote - we are a class family and must ensure we look after one another, leaving no one behind, in any sense of the word. Thank you SO MUCH parents for joining us to read & revise! Do come again please, you're always welcome!!!! See you in 11 sleeps.



# KINGFISHERS



# WOODPECKERS



I can't quite believe how fast this half term has gone! Kingfishers have achieved so much in this time. In Maths we have been exploring fractions and completed our hot maths this week. Since then we have been practising our multiplication skills, consolidating out 2's, 5's and 10's and exploring 3's and 4's. We discussed various patterns that we notice to support our understanding and retainment. In English Kingfishers have completed their persuasive letters and have started their fantasy story unit. They have all designed their main character and fantasy creature. We have also made many observations and shared our own opinions on other fantasy stories and have begun writing our own. I am looking forward to continuing this when we are back! In PE we have thoroughly enjoyed playing 3 Ts cricket! I believe it is a firm summer favourite of ours! It has been lovely to see them develop their collaborative skills and encourage one another. Our Science week theme was 'Time' and Kingfishers had lots of fun completing the various experiments this week! A shout out to Mrs Hammond for planning and resourcing these activities!

How are we at the end of Summer term one already? The time really is just flying by! For one of our recent History lessons and based on our topic of 'WWII in Essex', we took a leisurely stroll, in the beautiful sunshine, up to pay a visit to the war memorial. We talked about what the war memorial was for, along with the names and dates shown. We took plenty of photos, so that we could sketch the war memorial upon returning to the classroom. In maths, we have completed our fractions unit and the children have thoroughly enjoyed using their key mathematical vocabulary whilst explaining their processes. Once completing their hot maths, we then moved on to a new unit; time. We have spent some time this week, looking at and learning Roman numerals to 12. This was a very practical lesson and provided the opportunity for the children to really explore the different representations. We then swiftly progressed onto 'Tell the time to 5 minutes'. As this past week has been Science week, we spent some time on Monday researching and producing fact files and posters based on dinosaurs and reptiles of the Jurassic period. On Tuesday, we built on our knowledge of sundials by researching what they are and where they originated. Although we weren't graced with any bright, wonderful sun, we still proceeded to create our own sundial, in preparation for when the sun decided to make an appearance again.



I cannot believe that we have come to the end of another half term! We have had a very busy couple of weeks, particularly enjoying science week this week. The children have got tuck into thinking about how time links to science by making water clocks, pendulums and wonderful dinosaur posters that I am really looking forward to displaying. On top of this, they have been completing their investigation on whether they could speed up the rate of evaporation, which provided some rich discussions, especially after some surprising results. The children have also been working really hard on their understanding of decimals as well as the bus stop method for division! We finished this week with some amazing art, where the children have been making their very own canopic jars- I think we will all be a little sad that this topic is over!



Where has those 6 weeks gone! As we bring to a close another half-term, we look back and reflect on what was a hugely successful half term for every member of Owls class. The main theme of this half term has been SATs but, with teamwork, perseverance and confidence, the children overcame the challenges that were asked of them in SATs week and completed every test to the very best of their ability - isn't that all we can ask! This week, we have been reflecting on our year so far as the children have been putting together their report comments. It has been lovely to slow down and just look at how far we have all come this year. We now get to forget about them for a few months until the results are released on Tuesday 9th July. But before then, we have bundles of fun to look forward to including, but not limited to, bikeability, transition days, end of year trip, leavers filming, sports events, D&T projects, the traitors, etc.

It's time for the final dance!



I can not believe that we have come the end of another half term, only  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the year left to go! We have been busy writing reports over the last few weeks and it has been so lovely to reflect on the year gone by with this wonderful group of children. They have all grown in so many different ways and they are so excited about all of the opportunities that they have coming their way! Next half term, they will enjoy sending some time meeting their new buddies, having a taster day at HRS, enjoying their 'unhomework' reward (whole class afternoon tea) and enjoying a careers morning giving the children an opportunity to think about their futures. It has been a really jammed packed half term with lots of interesting learning opportunities with a favourite memory being our visit to the Tower of London. The children have really loved learning about the Monarchs and we have finished off our unit by discovering more about Henry VIII and the modern royal family.

## SWIMMING POOL UPDATE

I am pleased to share that, as a result of the fantastic fundraising efforts from the AFSS and every single member of the Stebbing Primary School community continuing to support the events and donate extremely generously, we are getting closer to making it happen. With grant applications in the pipeline and meetings taking place, plans are being made to rebuild our beloved pool as soon as possible. We have also had some wonderful offers of support to assist with the demolition work and finishing flooring to help keep the costs down as much as possible. If you, your company or someone you know has a trade that you think could be useful, please do not hesitate to get in touch - any help will be welcomed!

# EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
24.05.24	Break up for May half term
05.06.24	Back to school
10.06.24	Whole class school photos
10.06.24	YEAR 1 Phonics screening week
12.06.24	Year 6 to Crucial Crew
15.06.24	AFSS Summer Party
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
27-28th 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