

BE READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE and KIND

HEADTEACHER

We are really excited for our lovely summer BBQ event. It sounds like it's going to be a lot of fun and a very relaxed afternoon.

If you are able to volunteer to help at one of the few stalls we have can you either let one of the AFSS know or sign up on the sign up sheets at the front of the school. Thank you for your help!

We have had a very hectic week in school with many lovely activities for the children to enjoy.

Just a reminder...our swap over morning is on **Tuesday 16th July**. This gives all children the opportunity to visit their new classroom and meet their teaching team.

IMPORTANT NOTICES



SPORT @ STEBBING

Within the past few weeks, the children of Stebbing Primary School have been incredibly busy representing their school at a wide range of sporting events:

Year 6 rounders. Our year 6 rounders squad enjoyed a road trip to SOuthend to take part in the Essex Finals of the Primary School rounders tournament. Competing against the best schools in Essex, our team competed superbly and can now call themselves the 5th best team in Essex. On the same day, our year 5 cricket squad took part in the USSP cricket finals at Saffron Walden Cricket Club competing superbly against tough opposition to claim 7th place overall! It was then the turn of our year 4 tennis squad (& Harvey) who travelled to Harlow Tennis Club to compete in the USSP finals for their age group. After a tough afternoon of tennis in the scorching heat, every member of the team smashed it earning themselves the gold medal! In the same week, a selected group of year 4 children took part in a brand new multi-skills/orienteering festival at Great Easton Primary School where they worked together superbly as a team, encouraged and supported to achieve a shared goal.

Finally, to conclude what has been a memorable few weeks of sport, our KS2 athletics squad retained the shield following incredible team and individual performances with every single child finishing on the podium in every single event!

AFSS

As the summer term continues to whizz past us, the AFSS is staying busy with planning events for July. Next weekend, Saturday 6th, we want to invite all of you to come along to Stebbing Primary School's Summer BBQ from 12pm onwards. Bring along your picnic blankets, snacks and friends! Mrs Earle is firing up her BBQ to provide you with tasty food and the AFSS is serving alcoholic beverages and other drinks. Teachers are in charge of serving coffee and treats, of which we hope to get plenty of donations on Friday 5th. There will be plenty of entertainment for children and children can enjoy the freedom at school fields.

Adults can chill and enjoy the friendly Stebbing atmosphere. We hope this event to be relaxed and enjoyable for all from volunteers to grannies! Don't forget there will be the amazing summer raffle and bottle Tombola as well. As for next events, we shall reveal more next week. So until then, spread the word about the Summer BBQ and we hope to see you there! PS. Ice Creams Fridays are here to stay until the end of term. The AFSS will also be selling refreshments and treats on Sports Day.



HEADTEACHER AWARDS

	Friday 21st June	Friday 28th June
Wrens	Eli & Dylan	Larosa & Rhys
Robins	Ben & Dolly	Mabel & Freddie
Kingfishers	Samuel & Jasmina	Fifi & Freddie. E
Woodpeckers	Indie & Fred	Isabelle & James
Kestrels	Charlie & Remi	Alex & all of Kestrels
Ospreys	Elly & Elliot	Kayden & Henry
Owls	Rocco & Olivia	Isaac & Olivia



HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEADTEACHER



	Friday 21st June	Friday 28th June
Wrens	Jasper	Charlie
Robins	Ira	Rainbow
Kingfishers	Nicole	Archie
Woodpeckers	Dexter	Clara
Kestrels	Oliver	Wren
Ospreys	Darcy	Isabelle
Owls	Dan	Rocco & Millie

PRESENTATION AWARDS

	Friday 21st June	Friday 28th June
Wrens	Charlie	
Robins	Jack	
Kingfishers	Ethan	
Woodpeckers		Sophia
Kestrels		Oliver
Ospreys		Florence

DATE	YEAR 6 AWARD	ATTENDANCE AWARD	LUNCHTIME AWARD	KEEP IT CLEAN AWARD
21.06.24		Kestrels		Woodpeckers
28.06.24	Athletics team	Kingfishers	Rhys H & Gunnar	

						
Date						
21.06.24	Owls	Kingfishers	Robins	Owls	Woodpeckers	Kestrels
28.06.24	Owls	Robins	Kingfishers	Robins	Woodpeckers	Owls



WRENS



ROBINS



We have arrived on the moon!

Wrens have explored rocket making and discovering the solar system. We have been given a lovely water tray that has challenged our team work skills and problem solving. Together we have been making regular trips to our vegetable patches and would like to invite anyone you likes Kale to cut a few leaves to take home. We have started to plan our trip to Robins Island and will be making passports etc in preparation for our Airport day. Please refer to the letter that has been sent out this week. We have met Miss Summers and Mrs Smith with two visits to the Robins classroom and created lovely pieces of work whilst getting to know our new teachers. Wrens have been incredibly resilient about the process so far and we look forward to class swap over day. We will be preparing for Sports Day, practicing the races and obstacles to make sure we represent our house groups with pride. Wrens have been set the task to draw a map of our playground as a guide to the new Wrens settling in. They loved talking about what the new Wrens might enjoy to play with. Mrs Thorp took us out for balance biking on Thursday and we are very excited to show you our skills on sports day. Thank you for your support continuing to read with the Wrens as we review all of our Phonics sounds we have learnt this year. We are very proud of their independent writing and work hard on perfecting our letter formations.



KINGFISHERS

Another 2 weeks have flown by for Kingfishers! Despite the warm weather this week, Kingfishers have continued to work hard and do their absolute best!

In P.E. we have been practising many different skills in preparation for Sports Day, an event that we are getting more and more excited about.

In Maths we have been exploring mass, volume and capacity. We have explored and discussed various ways of measuring, including grams and kilograms whereby we held and compared various weights, and millilitres and litres, whereby we took advantage of the nice weather and learnt outside using measuring jugs and water.

In English we have been completing various 'short writes' in order to solidify our basic writing skills, and to encourage Kingfishers to apply their own ideas confidently.

In Geography, we have been identifying landmarks, and this week we went around the school, identifying our key features on our maps and filling them in until they were completed. We then identified the human and physical geography of our school and created a key before colour coding our maps.

In Science this week we have been identifying and studying microhabitats. Kingfishers enjoyed exploring our school grounds and discovering the various microhabitats found all around us.

We've had a PE medley recently!

Scooting with Nick was an absolute blast last week and although Mikey wasn't able to do the actual 'scooting' he could take part by snapping some photos for us. Thank you Mikey! Today our PE medley involved movement like Peter Rabbit, on the search for Radish leaves, then running from Mr McGregor's garden. That was followed by some throwing and catching with our partners. We challenged ourselves by coming up with different catching games - Amelia & Rhys suggested we take turns to turn around and throw the ball behind us for our partner to catch, then Stanley suggested we throw it through our legs! It was fun to try different challenges, especially our own. There is more scope for this as one of the UNhomework ideas this half term is to come up with PE games. Today's PE then ended with some yoga on the Astro. Our trip last week to Audley End was marvellous fun. We learned so much about Victorians and what life was like for a servant. Did you know that they had 3 breakfasts? It's true! They began with porridge, then had sausage, egg and bacon ("That's banging!" Jack said) and finally they had bread and dripping, all that just for breakfast! We are noticing lots of similarities to what we learned at Audley End and what we're reading in our Beatrix Potter stories about Victorian life. It's a topic we have all really enjoyed.



WOODPECKERS

We have had another fun packed couple of weeks in Woodpeckers. We have completed our Maths topic - time and solved problems using digital and analogue clocks. The children have challenged themselves and can tell the time using 1 minute and 5 minute intervals. Feel free to test their knowledge at home!

In English we finished the Nothing to See Here Hotel and designed our own creature to visit. They completed their hot writes today using ambitious vocabulary, rule of 3, direct speech and humour.

The children have really thought about how they can add humour to their story and we have had some very funny creatures indeed!

In Science we have been focussing on plants and currently have an experiment ongoing, with seeds being placed in different resources (sand, rocks, tissue and soil) and situated either in daylight or in the dark. The children are enjoying observing the changes in the seeds and we have some very interesting results so far.

In Geography we drew a map of the school from a bird's eye view. The children did an amazing job and produced their own key with symbols to show where certain areas are, for example a tree for Forest School, a basketball hoop for the multipurpose area and a book for the reading den.

In PE we have been fortunate to have a girls football coach in who has worked with the girls in our class on their dribbling and kicking skills. We have also been practising our athletics skills ready for multi skills day and sports day.



KESTRELS



Kestrels have been making the most of the glorious weather by doing lots of outdoor learning. We have been on spelling hunts around the playground, acted out our reading texts in the gazebo, we started our new unit of work in Maths (Shape) understanding angles as turns by moving them physically in the playground, and we went on a nature walk to the park during which we identified different plants, trees and flowers. The girls enjoyed their football workshop.

A highlight for the children this week was when we set up our own shops - there was so much rich maths on display, and we had a great time.

We are so very proud of the effort that all the Kestrels put into learning their times tables over the course of this entire year. Their hard work has been rewarded with fantastic scores across the board in the Multiplication Tables Check.



OWLS



If only we could slow time down ever so slightly so we could enjoy just a bit more time together as Owls class. What a few weeks it has been in Owls class. Two weeks ago, we started the week with the Essex Police Workshops where the children had the opportunity to virtually meet firearms police officers, dog handlers, the Chief Officer and lots of Sergeants and PCSOs - they had so many questions for the officers. It was therefore very handy that Sergeant Mayne visited us in class on Friday to answer all of their questions, provide Nacho with some experience of a school setting and show us some cool tricks. We are really enjoying witnessing Nacho's journey as he starts continues his training to become a fully fledged police dog. Since then, we've embarked on all of our Leavers Assembly projects for you all to enjoy, started preparing our Learning Review Meetings, taken part in sports events galore (rounders, cricket, athletics) and practiced our back-stitching in preparation for the pencil case construction.

It has been a strange day in class the past two days with only 2 and four children in each day. I trust you have all had a wonderful few days getting to know your new school and I cannot wait to hear all about it on Monday!



OSPREYS



Summer is finally here! Ospreys have loved spending more time outside enjoying the sunshine while they work. They have been working extremely hard to get everything ticked off that they need to by the end of the year! Excitement is bubbling about Manor Adventure and we have had lots of great questions and discussions about what to expect. I know that we are going to have the best time and that they will throw themselves into every activity possible! In English, we have started studying inner monologues so that next week we can conclude our Romeo and Juliet unit of work by writing a speech as one of the characters in the play. In maths, we have completed yet another unit of work (decimals) and next week we will be moving onto negative numbers. We had a super day yesterday using our compass skills plotting a route outside of school taking us down to Stebbing Brook, the children loved it and did a great job of recording when they got back to the class.

GUEST SPOT

Drama Club and Choir have been super busy working towards our Summer Show 'Square Eyes'. The performance is based on the concept that a child is watching far too much television and forgets how good it is to play. Drama club have been working on improvising scenes to allow me to script elements for the performance. The children have come up with some fun ideas and worked hard to learn lines, create characters and dance some sections.

We also have singing, as choir have worked enthusiastically to learn new songs and remember some from our repertoire from past years. We have such little time to rehearse that we hope you will celebrate with us their achievements to create a show.

The production is very much a team effort, They are all stars of the show. The neurodiversity within these clubs brings us so much talent, energy, zany ideas and acceptance. I love working with the children and even if you are unable to attend on the 4th July, make sure you stop these club children to say well done. The Arts are often forgotten about, but we all love being entertained by them. Holistically Music, Drama and Dance can do so much!

Mrs Bucknell

EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
27-28th June	HRS transition days
29.06.24	Swimming pool demolition party
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 (KS1 AM & KS2 PM)
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