

Friday 7 February 2020

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Don't forget
parents'
evening!

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Thank you for using our new online system to make appointments for our Parents' Evenings. We look forward to seeing you next week on Tuesday 11 or Thursday 13 February. Please take a look at our Reading PowerPoint and videos on the Literacy page of the school website to show some of the ways we teach reading at South Hill School. The blue button on the home page is a quick link to the Literacy page.

Parents' Evenings

If you have not yet made an appointment to see your child's teacher, please contact the school office as soon as possible so a time slot can be allocated.

No Flasks in School

At South Hill School, we do not allow pupils to bring in soup in flasks due to possible accidents. Thank you.

Electric Umbrella

We were very lucky today to be treated to a concert performed by Electric Umbrella. Electric Umbrella is a music charity working with adults with learning disabilities and professional musicians who come together as a big band to challenge perceptions of people with learning disabilities. It is a well known charity in Hertfordshire and have performed at festivals, gigs and radio shows. They have received funding from Dacorum to share their joyful company of musicians in local schools for an interactive performance/workshop. They were amazing and thoroughly enjoyed by the whole school.



Oak Class Assembly

Oak shared their work on space and the planets in our solar system and their work in English on police reports and diary entries. They finished with a 'South Hill Way' poem about equality in the classroom. Well done Oak!

News from Ash

Ash have been working hard at Science this week. They have been looking at light and shadows and investigating which material makes the best curtains. They concluded that an opaque material keeps out the most light. They have also been looking forward all week to the performance by Electric Umbrella.

Internet Safety

Safer Internet Day will be celebrated globally on 11 February 2020 with the theme 'Together for a Better Internet'. The day is an opportunity to spark a conversation about the safe and responsible use of technology and to inspire young people to create a better internet for the future. Next week is our Internet



Safety Week and our pupils (Y1-Y6) will be accessing e-Safety workshops during the week with Digital Leaders leading an assembly on staying safe on the internet.

Visit from DBC - Recycling

On Thursday, Amir from Dacorum Borough Council visited Year 2 to talk to them about the importance of recycling. After his talk they went litter picking in the school grounds. They put the litter that can be recycled in one bag and the litter that can't be recycled in another, using the information they learnt.



PE and Sport

Daily Mile

The Hertfordshire Daily Mile team are trying to set a new Hertfordshire record for the most children and primary schools taking part in the Daily Mile on Friday 14 February. We are looking forward to being part of this - all our children will be running at some point in the morning on our Daily Mile Track!

Taekwon-do

Did you know that there is a Taekwon-do Club here at South Hill School? They train on Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings. They offer a free two week trial to anyone who thinks it might be for them. Check out their website to find out more and to book a free trial. Please let Mrs Howard know if you do! <https://btkd.co.uk/>

PTA News

Cake Sale

To celebrate Valentine's Day, the PTA will be selling cakes after school near the main entrance on Friday next week. All cakes will be 50p and proceeds will go to the PTA - thank you for your continued support.



Quiz Night

We are hosting a quiz night on Friday 28 February in the school hall, 7.30 -10.00pm - see attached flyer.

South Hill Centre - Choir

The choir went to the South Hill Lunch Cub yesterday. We sang our 'happy' songs and enjoyed every minute. We loved the change of weather from the last time we sang there! We spoke to a person from the club and they loved 'If I were a butterfly'. Wanda liked 'Give it all you've got'. In conclusion, we loved it (and the chocolate!). *Written by choir members Jaime and Louie.*

Unisound String Day - Thursday 19 March

Dacorum Music School are hosting a String Day for all string players at primary school. Information and booking form is on the school website (extra-curricular /music) and from the school office.

Eco-School News

Year 2 have been learning about properties of materials and what can and cannot be recycled. There are recycling bins in classrooms and we would encourage you to discuss the importance of recycling with your children.





Eco-Warrior Tips

Cut down on energy waste by turning off lights and other electrical appliances when you leave a room.

Football

South Hill had a B team football match on Thursday away at Maple Grove School. We scored after 30 seconds! The game became very physical but we matched our opponents and the final result was 4-1 to us at the end. Player of the match was Dominic, who was Captain, goalkeeper, striker and then defender, all at different times in the game. An excellent team performance.



Wellbeing and the Internet

You will find attached our Wellbeing Newsletter which this term focusses on Social Media and how it can affect our wellbeing.

Yours sincerely



Miss Wellbelove and Miss Wren
Co-Headteachers

Stars of the Week	
Wrens	Amellia
Robins	Sienna
Goldfinches	Freddy B
Sparrows	Matilda
Owls	Archie
Kingfishers	Zachary
Ash	Malayeka
Beech	Tommy
Holly	Spencer
Maple	Jack
Oak	Shanaya
Silver Birch	Dominic
Sycamore	Bronte
Yew	Kieran



**Y5&6
Cross Country**



The following items can be found on the newsletter page of the school website:

- Wellbeing Newsletter - Spring
- SHPS Quiz Night Flyer
- Unisound String Day information and form
- Half Term Tennis Camp
- Half Term Football Courses - Watford FC
- Storm Basketball 8.2.20

SEN and Wellbeing pages of the school website

Please check out the SEN and Wellbeing pages of the school website where you will find information on different parenting groups, workshops and activities.

Dates for your Diaries

February	
w/c 10	E-Safety week
Monday 10	Happiness Mindset Assembly (pm)
Tuesday 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-safety workshops KS2 • Fire brigade to visit Y2 • Parent/Teacher Consultation 5.00 - 8.00pm
Wednesday 12	RAH Choir Rehearsal 3.30-4.20pm
Thursday 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-Safety workshops KS1 • Parent/Teacher Consultation 3.30 - 6.00pm
Half Term Holiday 17-21 February	
w/c 24	Cycle Training Y5- all week
Tuesday 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEND Friends Coffee Morning 8.40-10.00am • RAH Choir Rehearsal 3.30-4.20pm
Wednesday 26	Beech Class Assembly 2.50pm
Thursday 27	RAH Choir Rehearsal 3.30-4.20pm
March	
w/c 2	Book Week
Wednesday 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dress Up Day • Goldfinch Class Assembly
Sunday 8	Hertfordshire Schools Gala at Royal Albert Hall (Y5/6 choir)
Tuesday 10	Y3 trip to Ashmolean Museum