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and
Good Luck

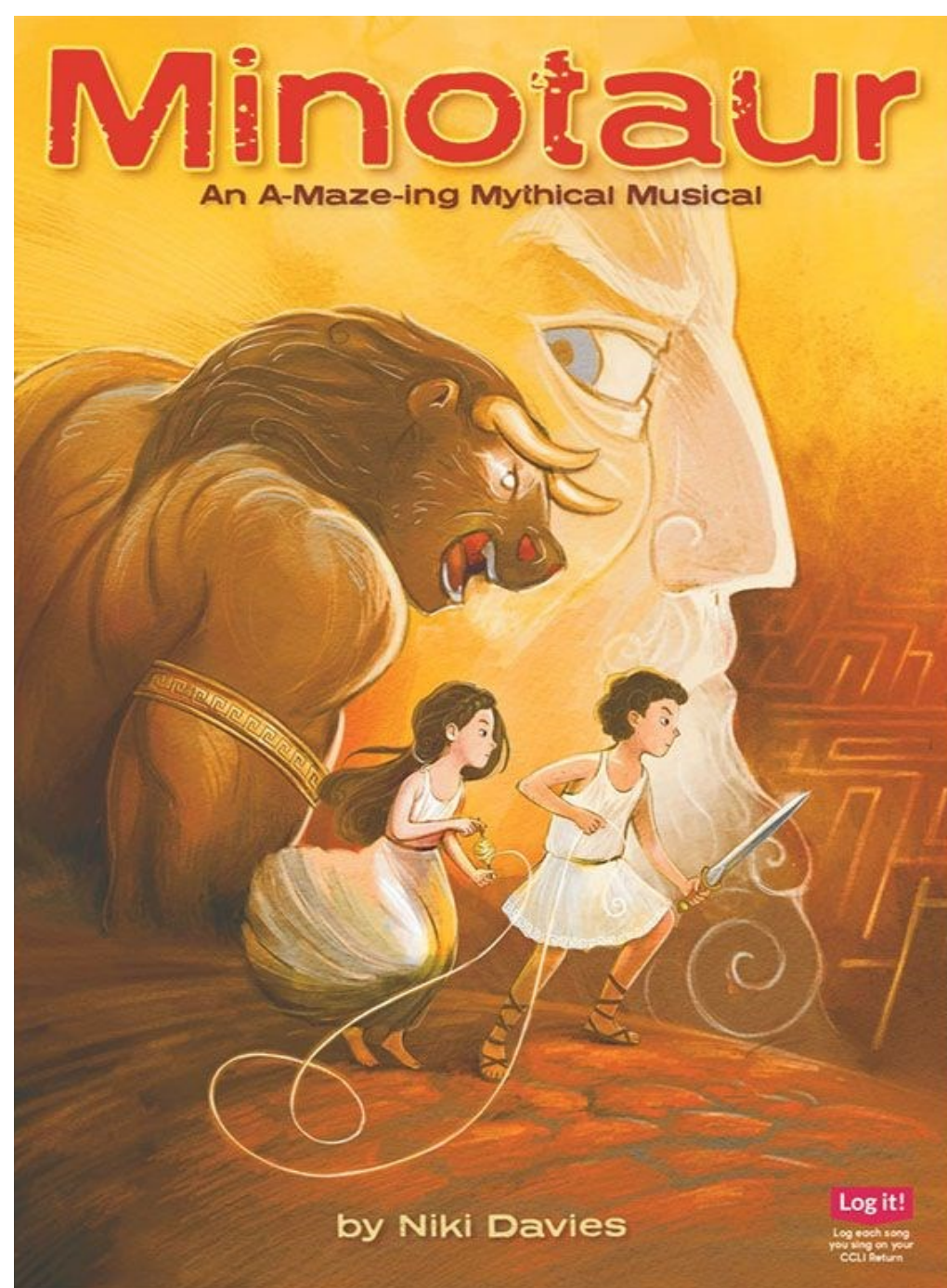
Today we say farewell to our Hummingbirds class. We will miss you and would like to wish all of you the best of luck at your new middle schools. We also say goodbye to a few other children who are leaving for new schools, it has been a pleasure having you and your families be part of our school community.



This half term Year 4 have been working very hard on their production of Minotaur. They made props, learned lines and songs and this week got to perform to their families and to the rest of the school.

They have done an incredible job and all of their hard work really paid off on Wednesday evening.

Well done to the children, Mrs Read, Mrs Parsons, Mrs Wetherman and Mrs Francis – you guys really know how to put on a show!



Robins class news



What a great year in Robins! The children have settled into school life with confidence and excitement, quickly forming friendships and embracing their new routines. They've explored a wide range of engaging topics, starting with learning all about themselves and their families, celebrating what makes everyone special. Through creative activities like drawing self-portraits, making wild things, building rainbows with lolly sticks, and crafting pirate maps, they've shown fantastic imagination and independence. Their Phonics skills have flourished as they began to read short sentences and write their own stories, including brilliant versions of traditional tales like *The Gingerbread Man*. In Maths, they've explored number patterns, shapes, mass, capacity, and even shared objects using odd and even numbers. Robins have taken part in exciting celebrations such as Diwali, Remembrance Day, Christmas, Chinese New Year, and St. Patrick's Day, deepening their understanding of different cultures. They've developed confidence performing on stage, honed their ball and dance skills in PE, and shown growing awareness of mental health and online safety. With so many wonderful experiences and achievements, the Robins have had a fantastic year filled with joy, creativity, and learning.

Puffins class news



What an amazing year the Puffins have had!

They have all grown in confidence and maturity as they have transitioned from Reception into more formal learning!

They have all worked incredibly hard in their Phonics and have learnt so many new sounds.

In Maths we have looked at numbers up to 100 and have recently started to learn to tell the time.

The Puffins have particularly enjoyed their History learning this year, focusing on the topics The Gunpower Plot, Dinosaurs and Toys.

The most exciting part was going on our school trip to look at old toys first hand!

We are so proud of what they've achieved this year and know that they are all ready to take on Year 2!

Toucans class news

This year in Year 3, the children have been on an exciting journey of learning across a wide range of subjects.

In English, we explored the magical world of *The BFG* and unravelled the mystery of *The Pied Piper*, developing their storytelling and comprehension skills.

Maths lessons have been full of challenge, covering topics from multiplication and division to fractions, shapes, and time.

In Science, the children investigated the fascinating properties of rocks and explored the forces that shape our world. Geography took them on a journey through rivers, mountains, and map skills, while in History, they travelled back to the Stone Age and the wonders of Ancient Egypt.

Memorable experiences have included the Faith Tour, the magical Barn Nativity, and a trip to Celtic Harmony, bringing learning to life.

It's been a brilliant year!



Kestrels class news

What a busy week we've had and a very hot one too!

In English this week, the children have continued learning about poetry. They wrote some excellent poems performed them really well too! We also learnt how to write a rhyming poem and a poem using alliteration. We were so impressed with all of them! In Maths, we have been consolidating our learning on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The children remembered all the different strategies learnt earlier in the year to help them solve these equations.

We played lots of Maths games and enjoyed all the practical activities.

In Computing, we have finished creating quizzes using a program called Scratch Jr, The children have thoroughly enjoyed using this app and have created some great designs.

In Science, we have enjoyed some fun and simple experiments that the children could try at home too. They really loved making music with our Water Xylophones and were amazed by the colours in the Water rainbow experiment.

It has been a wonderful year with Kestrels. We've had some great times and have made some wonderful memories.

Have a great summer!



Hummingbirds class news

The Hummingbird's put on our end of year production of The Minotaur this week and it was fantastic! Well done to everyone involved. We have thought about our favourite memories of the past year and here are a handful of them to share with you all.

Bea -Grafham – as there were lots of new opportunities.

Teddy – I enjoyed the energy of the concert.

Hadley – Sports ambassadors as we got to work with younger children and teach them new skills.

Archie – I liked working towards an award as part of being a sports ambassador.

Eliza- Everything as we have experienced so many new things.

Jude – I loved the play as we all had to do some acting and singing.

Isla – I enjoyed bikeability as I got to practice my cycling skills.

Aurora – Looking at the photos of ourselves in year 1!

Alfie – I have enjoyed improving my score on TT rock stars.

Lois – sports abassadors as we could help the lunchtime staff!

Josh – I liked everything, but I loved our play – the Minotaur.

Sisi – I enjoyed our dance lessons on a Tuesday.

Georgia – young voices – different schools connected through the songs.

Kensi – I liked all the teachers who have supported us all over the past 5 years.

Maddie – the Grafham challenge as there was a surprise!

Good luck Hummingbirds,

Mrs Read, Mrs Parsons, Mrs Francis and Mrs Wetherman



We would like to say thank you to everyone who came to our celebrations evening on Tuesday. It was a huge success and was lovely to see so many of you there. We hoped that you enjoyed viewing your child's work and had the opportunity to meet their new class teacher. Together we raised **£1728.77.**

We can not thank the PTA enough for organising and running such a fab event. The PTA committee put in an incredible amount of work to make the event happen. It was touch and go with the weather but we got through.

New breakfast and after school club pricing structure

Dear Parents and Carers,

From September 2025 we will be introducing a price increase to our Breakfast and After School Club prices.

Please see below new pricing structure.

BC 7.50-8.50 = £5.75

ASC 3.30-4.30 = £6

4.30-5.30 = £4.50

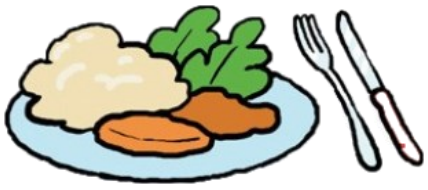
A few things for next term....

School lunches

For September there will be a new lunch menu. This will be sent out on the inset days in September. Please remember that if your child is moving up to Year 3 then school dinners will now be chargeable. We will let you know how you can top up your child's dinner money account. School dinners will be charged at £2.65 per day

PE Kit

On the inset days in September we will confirm to you which days your child will be taking part in PE lessons next term. Your child can then come to school in PE kit on those days. Please remember that PE kit is a plain red or logoed t-shirt, black shorts, leggings or joggers and trainers **(not plimsolls.)** Your child can also wear a plain black or red jumper.



Snack

Children in Years 3 and 4 are asked to bring a healthy snack in for break time each day. This could be fresh fruit or vegetables, dried fruits, plain rice cakes or malt loaf. Please no fruit winders or cereal bars.



Term Dates 2024-2025

Autumn Term

Wednesday 3rd September- Friday 19th December 2025

Half Term: Monday 27th October- Friday 31st October 2025

Inset Days: Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Spring Term

Tuesday 6th January- Friday 27th March 2026

Half term: Monday 16th- Friday 20th February 2026

Inset Days: Monday 5th January 2026

Summer Term

Tuesday 14th April- Friday 17th July 2026

Half Term: Monday 26th- Friday 29th May 2026

Inset Days: Monday 13th April 2026



Date	Event
Monday 1st September and Tuesday 2nd September 2025	Inset Day
Wednesday 3rd September 2025	First day of term



And just like that the academic year is over. What a year we have had, all of our classes have been on a class trip, including a residential to Grafham Water for Year 4. Year 3 and 4 both performed in a large choir with other schools and represented Stondon so beautifully.

We have raised money for charity, collected for The Need Project, celebrated number day and world book day and all took part in sports day. .

We finish the year on such a high with the Year 4s performance of Minotaur and our summer celebrations evening.

Thank you for all of your support this year! Have a wonderful summer and we will see you in September!