



# Celtic Harmony

Our Year 3 children went to visit Celtic Harmony as mentioned in last weeks newsletter. Here are some pictures showing some of the activities they did.



Thank you for supporting our recent fundraising activities over the last few weeks. I've listed the totals of how much we've raised for the school and other organisations.



The joke competition raised £67. The winners were Elliott Addy Robins, Sienna Clements Year 1, Flo Sartorius Year 2, George Baldwin Year 3 and Seth Pridmore Year 4

Thank you to our lovely PTA and Savins Garden Nursery who gifted each of the children a potted plant for them to give to a special person on Mother's Day last Sunday.



Garden House Hospice Care

Our Charlie Chicks raised £75 for the Garden House Hospice



# Robins class news



Robins have been continuing their hard work on our topic of ‘Superheroes’. We have been looking at instructions and why it is important that they are clear and easy to follow. We started by writing a set of instructions on how to make a jam sandwich. We then followed these instructions and realised that our instructions were not very clear! Miss Cormack put the jar of jam on top of the bread! We re-wrote our instructions while we were following them and were introduced to bossy verbs. We then followed our instructions to make our sandwich. We have written our instructions on how to be a superhero, remembering to use our bossy verbs.

In maths we have continued to look at numbers 9 and 10 and looking in depth at doubles to 10. We continued this learning on number day!

We have made mother’s day and Easter cards to share with our families.

## Puffins class news

This week in Puffins class we have been writing our own stories based on the book ‘Yeti and the Bird’. The children chose their own animals and wrote a story about an unlikely friendship. In their stories they had to include adjectives to describe feelings, the -est suffix and the conjunction ‘and’.

In Maths we have been learning about volume and capacity. We’ve had lots of fun outside measuring the capacity of different containers with cups of water. We measured the capacity of jugs, saucepans, bowls and jars.

In History, we continued our learning about fossil hunter Mary Anning. We then made our own dinosaur skeletons out of dried pasta!



## Toucans class news

In the final weeks of the Spring term, we have been finalising our Fraction learning in Maths with finding fractions of amounts - this has been very tricking to apply our division learning from Autumn 2 but the children have preserved and done a brilliant job.

In English, we have been studying cautionary tales and looking at a boy named Jim who didn't listen and was eaten by a Lion! We are working on creating our own rhyming stories such as Jake who was bitten by a snake.

We have been wrapping our DT learning and designing our own soups to create after half term, the children have been learning all about seasonal vegetables and how to create a product designed to a user's needs and wants. All the children have worked super hard this year and should have a good rest (As well as reading and practicing spellings/Timestables)!



## Kestrels class news



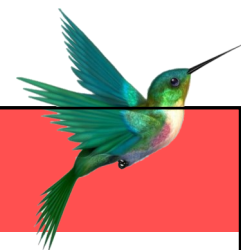
What a lovely end to the half term we have had in Kestrels!

In Maths, we have been looking at fractions. We can now recognise and find halves, quarters and thirds. We spent some time outside on Wednesday showing our new knowledge of these fractions.

In our English lessons we have been reading ‘A Walk in London’ by Salvatore Rubbino. We learnt lots of interesting facts about London landmarks by reading this story and some children shared their own pictures and memories from trips to London. Over the last few days, we have written our own guides to walking in Lower Stondon, based on the ideas we gained from reading the story.

Over the past couple of weeks we have been so impressed by the children’s cutting and sewing skills in Design and Technology. Kestrels have now all designed, cut and stitched together their very own puppets, ready for decorating and finishing after the holidays. Well done Kestrels!

## Hummingbirds class news



What a busy last few weeks of the term we have had. In Maths we have been busy learning all about decimals and their relationship to fractions. We have learnt the importance of 0 as a place holder and have even been partitioning decimal numbers into 2 or more parts. We are really proud of ourselves for learning some rather tricky knowledge.

In English, we have finally written up our final drafts of our character descriptions. We have worked really hard on these and are looking forward to writing full stories after the holidays.

We have especially enjoyed Art these last few weeks where we have been studying printing in different forms and have even created our own printed pieces merging two different techniques. They are now on display for all to see outside our classroom.

After Easter, our end of year production choice will be revealed too and rehearsals will begin in earnest. Watch this space for more news soon!

Join the Stondon Lower School PTA!

Stondon Lower School PTA is dedicated to enhancing our school community by fostering collaboration between parents, teachers, and the school administration. Our PTA organises events, fundraisers, and activities that benefit our students and create a sense of belonging.

Why Join?

- **Voice Your Ideas:** Contribute to school programs and events
- **Support and Advocate:** Help address student needs and improve resources.
- **Build Community:** Connect with other parents and educators.
- **Make an Impact:** Fundraise to support and enrich your child’s education.
- **Set an Example:** Show the importance of community involvement to your children.

**Get Involved!** Contact us at stondonlowerpta@gmail.com or attend our next meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March. Every contribution counts!

Term Dates 2024-2025

Summer Term

Tuesday 22nd April- Friday 18th July 2025  
Half Term: Monday 27th- Friday 30th May 2025  
Inset Days: Monday 7th April & Monday 21st July 2025

Term Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term

Wednesday 3rd September- Friday 19th December 2025  
Half Term: Monday 27th October- Friday 31st November 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
Friday 4th April	Number day

Requests for term time  
absence will not be  
approved unless due  
to  
exceptional  
circumstances.