

12th July, 2024

# Wherwell Primary School Newsletter

Let's Love To Learn And Thrive Together



This time last year we were finding the shade and sheltering from the heat. I am not sure what has happened to the weather but hopefully the sun will make an appearance soon and stay for a while. Despite the weather of late, yesterday, we were able to complete the most important sporting fixture of the year – our Sports Day! Thank you to everyone who attended. The children really appreciated being cheered on, as did the staff, and I'm sure you all enjoyed seeing children put their all into competing! Well done to the children for great teamwork and energy. Congratulations to Hamble for being the overall winners! Thank you to the PTA for serving tea, and to everyone who provided cakes.

In assembly on Monday, I spoke to the children about doing things which push you to the edge of your comfort zone. For some of our children, taking part in Sport's Day would be an example of this, for others it may be performing in front of an audience (for me at school it was both!). Pushing yourself out of your usual boundaries can achieve many benefits to your personal growth and development. When we are out of our comfort zones we learn to adapt and can feel better prepared to take on new challenges that we previously may not have felt confident doing. It can teach us to explore new things and be creative in how we approach the 'new'. This is an important life skill.



**Well done for fantastic resilience during Sport's Day**





## ROBINS

Robins Class have been enjoying a new focus book 'The Girl and the Dinosaur'. Earlier this week, Robins Class had a close look at one of the illustrations in the book, a magical forest with giants, unicorns, fairies and a dragon. Robins then drew some wonderful pictures of their own magical forests.



## PUFFINS

Probably the biggest highlight of the last two weeks for most of Puffins, would be our trip to the beach! I'm not quite sure how, but we managed to avoid the rain and had a fantastic day. The children explored the beach by building sandcastles, chasing bubbles, collecting shells and enjoying an ice cream. Everyone was in good spirits and hopefully it will be a lasting memory of their time in Puffins.



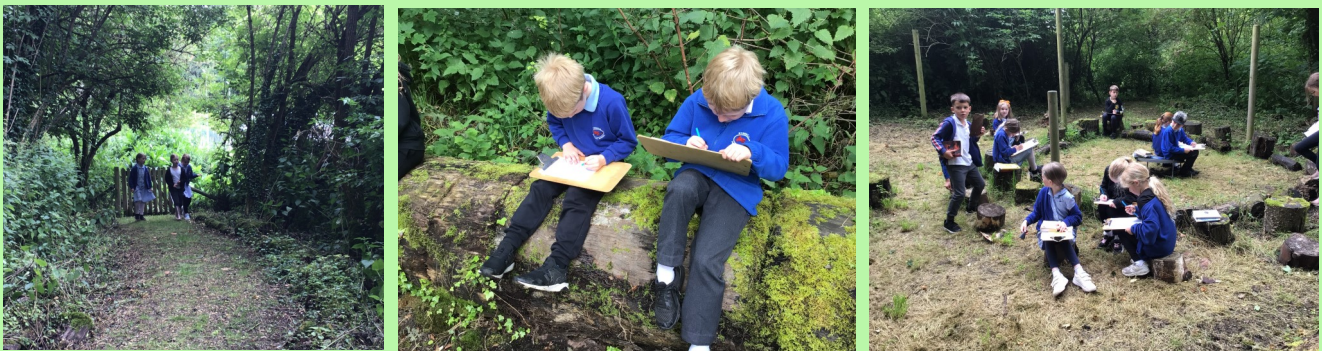


## KINGFISHERS

Kingfishers have had a really fun-filled couple of weeks! They had their trip to the Gordon Brown Centre last week in which they learnt all about orienteering, got to have a go on the low ropes and then got to meet some of the animals that live there!



This week, they have spent some time in the woodland which has been made useable again thanks to Emma's parents! Kingfishers are very grateful and very much enjoyed their time in there, exploring, reading and drawing.



This week has been problem solving week in maths! Kingfishers have had a range of problems to solve and have shown huge resilience in the process. They particularly enjoyed our cube problem, which despite the fact that only 3 people solved it, they wanted to keep going with even longer. They got really close to solving it and earnt lots of house points for their great attitude. Well done, Kingfishers!

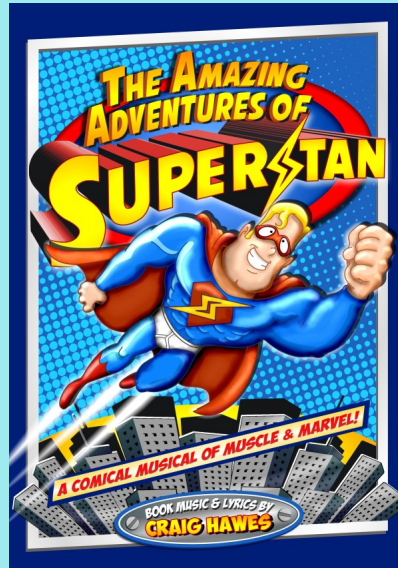




SPARROWHAWKS AND



HOUSE MARTINS



Sparrowhawks and House Martins have been working hard to add the finishing touches to their production of The Amazing Adventures of Superstan. They are really excited to share it with family and friends next week! In the meantime, enjoy this sneak preview...



A huge **thank you** must go to Mr and Mrs Buczak who spent hours and hours over two days in our woodland area clearing stinging nettles. We constantly battle to keep them back as the woodland is such a great place for our children to be. Our plan is to use our wonderful outdoor area more next year as we are so lucky with the green spaces we have. Thank you both for the back breaking work which will mean we can enjoy the last few days of term in the woodland.

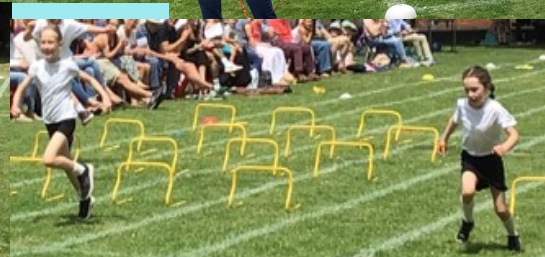


### Year 6 SATs results

A massive well done to our Year 6 children for their fantastic SATs results. They all worked so hard and we are very proud of them all. More information will be on the website soon.

Subject Year 6 Data Expected +	Percentage of pupils achieving the expected standard: <b>school (2024)</b>	Percentage of pupils achieving the expected standard: <b>national (2024 provisional)</b>	Percentage of pupils achieving the expected standard: <b>school (2023)</b>
English reading	100%	74%	79%
English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS)	92%	72%	71%
English writing	77%	72%	71%
Mathematics	92%	73%	71%
Science	92%	81%	85%

## Sport's Day Gallery





**FREE ENTRY**

**CARNIVAL**

# ANDOVER CARNEVAL

**SUNDAY 21ST JULY 2024  
12PM - 9PM**

**THIS YEAR'S CHOSEN CHARITIES ARE**

**FOOD - RIDES - MUSIC - ENTERTAINMENT  
HIGH STREET - TOWN PROCESSION - VIGO PARK**

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# Diary Dates

Activity	Date
INSET DAY	Monday 15th July
House Martins and Sparrowhawks Performance to <b>school</b>	Tuesday 16th July 1:15pm (parents who cannot make the evening performance may be able to attend - please let us know).
Kingfishers learning outcome to parents	Tuesday 16th July 2:50pm
House Martins and Sparrowhawks Performance of Super Stan	Tuesday 16th July 6pm Wednesday 17th July 6pm
Puffins learning outcome to parents—assembly in the hall	Wednesday 17th July 9:05am
Year 6 leavers' lunch for children	Wednesday 17th July 12-1
Sparrowhawks Listen to Me Concert - in the hall	Thursday 18th July 11:00am
Sparrowhawks learning outcome to parents	Thursday 18th July 11:40am
Year 6 Leavers' assembly	Monday 22nd July 2:15pm
Year 6 Rounder's with Parents	Tuesday 23rd July 1:30pm
Last day of term	Tuesday 23rd July at 3:10pm