



Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior School

## NEWSLETTER

20<sup>th</sup> January 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy week has flown past, with so many wonderful learning experiences in every year group.

Mrs Pettifer (our Maths lead) has written our first 'Curriculum' page this week. Our Curriculum leads will be sharing information related to their subject. We aim to raise the subject's profile whilst sharing good practice and the new developments within St Andrew's Junior School.

As I shared in a Parentmail earlier this week, the teacher's union NEU have voted for industrial action and have shared 4 dates, the first being Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February. I will share concrete plans with you early next week.

Have a lovely weekend with your wonderful children.

Mrs Black and the St Andrew's team



### YEAR 6 - HILLTOP - PAYMENT REMINDER



Letters were sent home with your children last week outlining the current position with your payments for Hilltop and also a reminder that half the costs are due by 27<sup>th</sup> January. Thank you to those families who have already brought their payments up to date. To ensure the school is best placed financially to manage payments to Hilltop, can we please ask you to ensure that your payment is made by the due dates - we are very grateful for your assistance with this. If you remain unsure of the amount to pay, please contact the office.

### YEAR 6 - LEAVERS HOODIES - A MESSAGE FROM MRS DAVIES

Please find attached the link to order your children's hoodies. In order to get the cheaper price, we are trying to get the order in before the deadline which ends on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023 so please make sure you get your order in before this time as once closed, we cannot make any further orders. You can order more than one hoodie if you or your child wants to. **Please check the spelling of your child's name on the hoodie** as once the order is submitted on the store closing date this cannot be changed. The company are aware of the duplication of names on the preview on the shop and are working on this. So please ignore this error when ordering as they are working to resolve this issue.

Your shop is now open here - <https://www.leavershoodies.com/hatfield-peverel-st-andrews-junior-school-2023-leavers>

After placing an order, each person will still have access to their order so that they can make any changes themselves, up until the store closes.

Closing date of online store is 11:00pm Sunday 29 January 2023.



## Spring Term 2023 - dates for your diary:-

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January: Egyptian Day (Year 3 - in school)

Half term: 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> February

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March: History Off The Page in-school visit (Year 5 - details to follow)

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March: Visit to Warner Bros Studios (Year 6 - details to follow)

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March: Year 5 Easter Performance (details to follow)

Easter holiday: 3<sup>rd</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> April

Back to school: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for response
All Years	<b>After School Clubs</b> Please contact the office if you would like to sign your children up to any of the (school led) after school clubs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Monday - Year 3 &amp; 4 - Board Games</li><li>Wednesday - Year 5 &amp; 6 - High-5 (netball)</li><li>Thursday - Year 6 only - Homework Club</li></ul>
Year 3	Egyptian Day - Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January (in school) Egyptian costumes for the day	
Year 4		
Year 5	Sewing helpers - each Monday from 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 1:30-3:10pm	Please email to: year5@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk
Year 6	Leavers Hoodies to order  Hilltop Letter	Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> January  First half payment required by 27 <sup>th</sup> January (£106.50)  Final payment by Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> April (£106.50)

St Andrew's  
TIDIEST BASE - SYCAMORE



Our wonderful, hard-working cleaners are choosing the base who has been the tidiest each week.

## Re: Spring term parent consultation appointments

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very pleased to be able to invite you into school for a parent consultation appointment this term. On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February, between 3.30pm and 6.30pm we will be holding consultation appointments.

We are planning to hold face-to-face appointments this term; these will be held in classrooms. If you are unable to attend in person, we will also be offering the option of a phone call.

We are allowing one appointment per child, so we ask that you liaise between yourselves if you and your child's other parent do not live together. In some situations we will provide an equivalent length phone call on another day- but requests for this are to be made to Mrs Black via email - [admin@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk)

The arrangements are as follows:

- Please arrive via the main school reception, where you will be signed in and directed to your child's base.
  - You will have an opportunity to look through their books which will be on display in one of the year group bases.
  - The consultations will take place in the opposite base where appointments will be 8 minutes long.
- If it is clear a longer appointment is needed, the class teacher will invite you to continue the discussion at another time. Please allow time to get to any siblings appointments when booking.
- If your child is on the SEND register, One Plan meetings will be taking place during the week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> February and letters confirming your child's appointment will be sent out soon. An updated copy of your child's One Plan will be emailed out to you following the meeting.

The links to book your appointments are now live;

Apple Base; <https://forms.gle/oTvLP8Y3QipQDiUw5>

Birch Base; <https://forms.gle/L2ymSqTKb3fawYgx7>

Cherry Base; <https://forms.gle/smmCSAA3YZweoF4v5>

Fir Base; <https://forms.gle/JvBJJaxLTq64ybp8>

Maple Base; <https://forms.gle/29teJbqpHRUdRkTo9>

Oak Base; <https://forms.gle/ZqFrRQUAAGznycpf8>

Rowan Base; <https://forms.gle/rd7gs4MymbhF5mpR9>

Sycamore Base; <https://forms.gle/2qgDirePFjHNM86k8>

If you have an issue with booking your appointment please contact the school office. We look forward to seeing you at your consultation appointment!

The appointment slots will be closed at 3pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February so please book early.

Kind regards,

Becky Black Allison Dutaut  
Headteacher Deputy Headteacher & SENCo



## Spotlight on Times Tables

This week Year 3 and 4 parents were invited to attend a meeting about times tables and the upcoming Multiplication Check.

## What is the Multiplication Check?

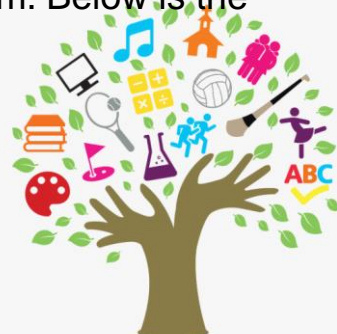
This check is a statutory assessment in June of Year 4, which tests children's ability to quickly recall their multiplication tables up to  $12 \times 12$ . The test is computer-based and the children are expected to know facts automatically, within 6 seconds. The test has 25 questions and children are considered fluent in their times tables if they score full marks. Click [here](#) for a government parents guide to the Multiplication check.

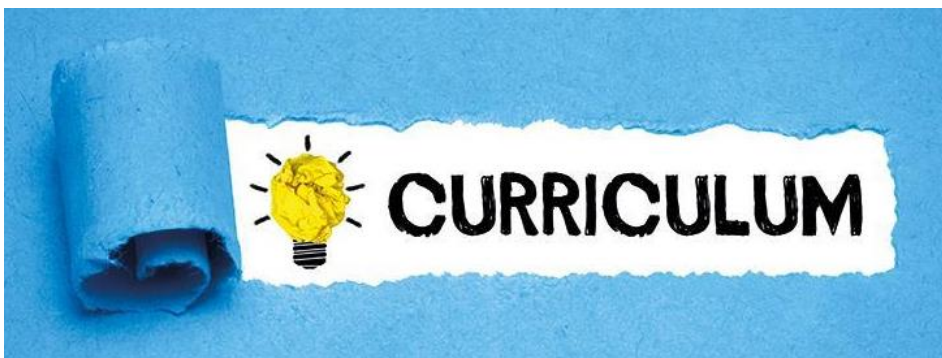
## Why is it important to learn times tables?

Although we are keen for the children to do well in their assessment, we are more interested in the positive impact securing this knowledge has. Having secure tables knowledge is essential for success in the Year 5 and 6 curriculum and beyond. Children who know their tables to automaticity (straight away, without having to work them out) have a significant advantage over those who do not. If you have to use all your working memory calculating your tables, it is very difficult to learn new methods such as short multiplication.

## What happens in school?

In order to help secure this knowledge, all children in Year 3 and 4 have sequences of maths lessons focussed on understanding and learning their times tables and 5 minutes of daily recall. [Here](#) is the link to our Times Tables fluency policy which outlines the facts learned in each half term. Below is the overview of expectations for each year group:





Year Group	Times Tables expectation (up to 12 x)
3	Previous knowledge: x 2, x 5, x 10 New knowledge: x 3, x 4, x 8
4	Previous knowledge: x 2, x3, x 4 x 5, x 8, x 10 New knowledge: x 6, x 7, x 9 , x 11, x 12.
5	All tables to 12 x 12
6	All tables to 12 x 12

Children are tested using a speed grid every Friday to assess their current knowledge and speed. You will be given a copy of your child's most recent grid at parents' evening. This will help you to see what they still need to work on.

### How can I help my child?

Your child has an individual [Times Tables Rockstar](#) account which is an excellent online program which adjusts to the requirements of your child. Please do not be alarmed if they frequently get similar questions; the aim of the program is to get them answering automatically. Please do make use of this and encourage your children to practise this daily for a few minutes. If you do not know the log in details, please contact your child's teacher via the year group email address.

[BBC Supermovers](#) and [Laugh Along and Learn](#) have some excellent songs to help embed times tables. We use these in school too. Be warned... they are catchy!

Chanting, writing out their tables and quick fire are all good old-fashioned ways to work on quick recall. We do this regularly in class too.

If you would like more information or ideas for working on tables at home, please see the slides [here](#) from the meeting this week.

Happy Times Tabling!  
Mrs Pettifer (Maths Lead)





**AUTUMN/WINTER TERM 2022 MENU**  
**Week 2 - week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023**

Thank you for helping to support our school by choosing a school meal for your child/ren.  
 Meals are £2.30 daily and can be ordered by your child in class during registration each morning.  
 Our preferred payment method is via Pay360 Education Payments -  
 please contact the office if you have yet to register for this.

**Week TWO Menu**

Week beginning  
 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 23<sup>rd</sup> January

**AUTUMN/WINTER 2022 - LUNCH MENU**

Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School



**Monday**

Chicken Nuggets

or

Quorn Nuggets (v)

Chips  
 Beans or Sweetcorn

Ice Cream (v)

**Tuesday**

Chicken & Sweetcorn Pasta

or

Roasted Vegetable Pasta (v)

or

Jacket Potatoes with Cheese,  
 Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise

Broccoli  
 Carrots

Healthy Fruit Day or Yogurt (v)

**Wednesday**

Chicken Korma Curry and  
 Naan Bread

or

Lentil Curry and Naan Bread  
 (v)

Wholegrain and White Rice  
 Green Beans  
 Sweetcorn

Biscuit (v)

**Thursday**

Roast Pork

or

Roast Quorn Fillet (v)

Crispy Roast Potatoes  
 Seasonal Vegetables  
 Yorkshire Pudding  
 Gravy (optional)

Healthy Fruit Day or Yogurt  
 (v)

**Friday**

Cheese & Tomato Pasta Bake  
 (v)

Sweetcorn and Mixed Pepper  
 Salad

Crusty Bread

Eve's Pudding and Custard (v)

Thank you for supporting us by having a school meal. Please be assured for your peace of mind - all allergens are catered for.



**ANOTHER 29 PRINGLE  
 POTS ARE NEEDED!**  
 Please send them in for  
 the year three Egyptian  
 day activities!  
 Needed by 26<sup>th</sup> January





### Points for this week!

Berwicks	325
Greystones	459
Priory	419
Vinehurst	437



Wishing a very **Happy Birthday**  
to those who have celebrated  
their birthdays between:  
**16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023**

**Thomas S, Albert, Ellis, Chase,**



## MOST PLAYED

**1<sup>st</sup>**

**Eden M**

**63,321**

**2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Luke C**

**47,280**

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Thomas R**

**27,364**



These are the children who have been spotted shining in school this week. We could have chosen so many children- the decisions were hard to make!

Well done for demonstrating our CARE values.

Apple - Jacob T

Birch - Ronnie

Cherry - Chase

Fir - Grace

Maple - Callum

Oak - Joshua

Rowan - Tia

Sycamore - Callum

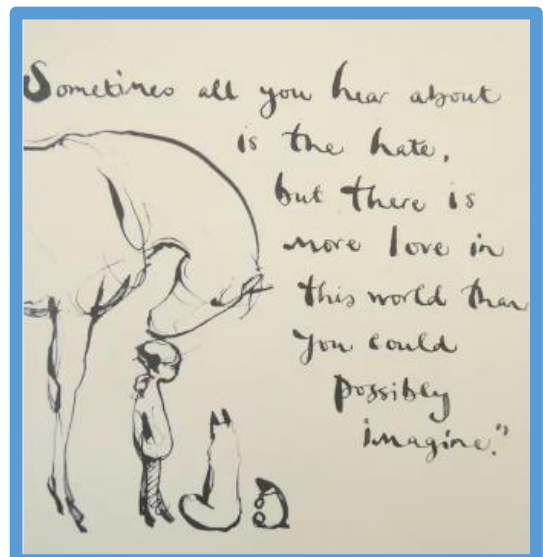
*Compassion Achievement Respect*  
*Enjoyment*

*Every child is loved and known.*

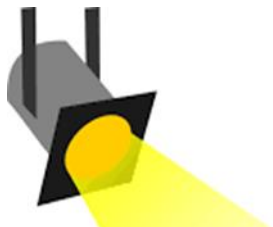
*Every child shines.*

A lovely message from Charlie Mackesy.

<https://twitter.com/charliemackesy>





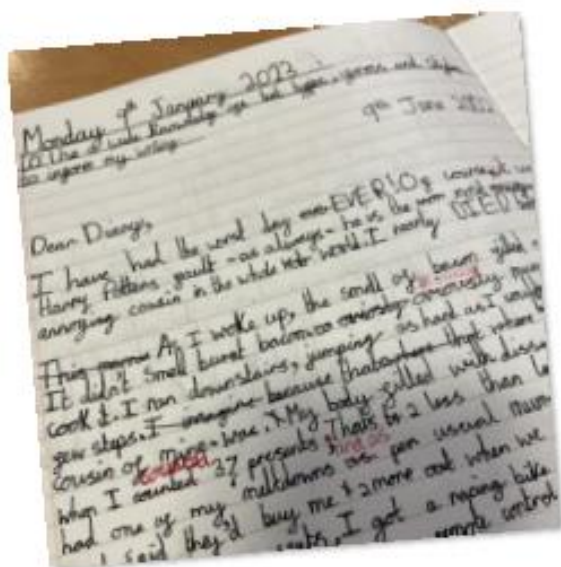


# Spotlight on Year Six Writing

## Dudley's Diary



This week, writers in Year 6 have been imagining themselves as the horrible, cruel and spoilt Dudley Dursley from the classic book Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. In the muggle world, Dudley treats his cousin with disdain; he bullies him and makes life in Privet Drive an absolute hell... That is until a fateful visit to the zoo where Dudley has a terrifying encounter with a boa constrictor. There is only one person to blame – that Potter boy!

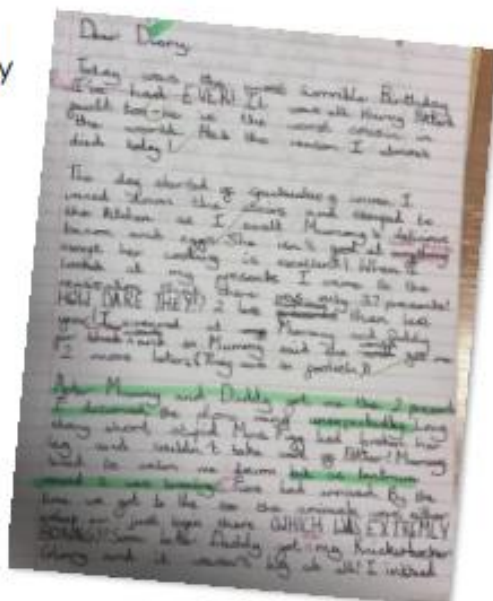


The task was to write a Diary recount of the day's unusual events. The focus was on using words and language that reflected Dudley's character. The diary entries needed to sound like Dudley and share his innermost feelings and thoughts.

It was a real treat to write as the 'villain'! Year 6 worked hard to accurately portray the character of Dudley through their writing and the results are brilliant! They definitely made the teachers chuckle while marking them!

### Features of a Diary:

- First person
- Chronological order
- Past tense
- Informal language
- Detailed descriptions
- Feelings and emotion





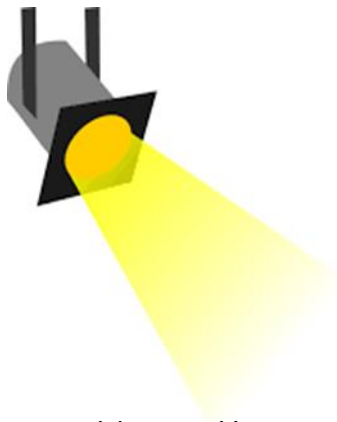
## Spotlight on Year Four's Roman Day

Last Friday, 13th January, the children in year 4 had an amazing day learning all about Roman Britain with our very own special guest - a real Roman Lulius Marcellinus. We started the day by looking at the equipment of a Roman legionary. Faye was named 'Skiptio' by the Roman Centurion and became a new recruit. Lulius soon kitted her out for battle in all the armour and weapons she would need. Mrs Davies joined her too!



The children learnt about the history of the invasion and reasons that the Romans came to Britain: for more land and power, and to take on the barbarians as slaves! (We were the smelly Barbarians).





## Spotlight on Year Four's Roman Day

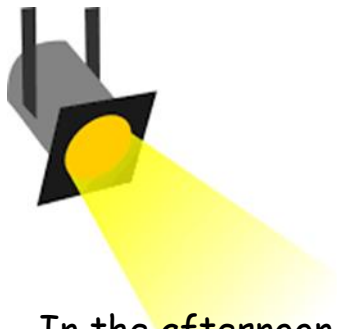
Henry M was asked to hold a 'spongy end of a stick' throughout the talk, which was revealed as the 'bottom wiping' tool at the end! Safe to say he, and other children, were most disgusted!



The children were all involved from the start and handled a range of Roman equipment and belongings from sandals to coins!

The next session year 4 were transported in time and were able to try out camp jobs and play Roman games. Grinding wheat was 'hard work' and the games 'were simple but fun' and everyone had fun trying on the armour!





## Spotlight on Year Four's Roman Day

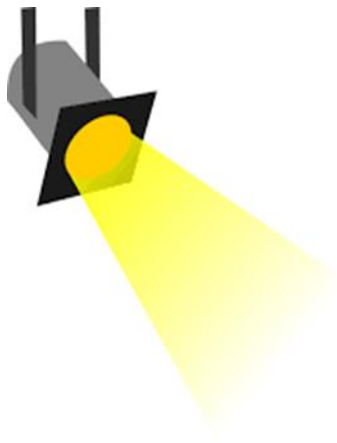
In the afternoon, all children (who wanted to) tried some Roman stew and then worked in groups to study artefacts and become historians to work out what they were handling - just like real archaeologists!



The final part of the day saw the children learning to follow commands in Latin, performing marches as an army and using shields to try different attack and defence tactics. There was a 'great battle' between Cherry and Fir - in the end Fir were victorious! All the children shone through their great listening, standing to attention and marching in time!







## Spotlight on Year Four's Roman Day







Last weekend we travelled to Christchurch in Dorset to compete at Hotshot dance competition, Isabelle performed her solo for only the 2nd time. She didn't place but danced beautifully in a big section up against girls up to 2 years older, we were so proud! In her group dance Madness, they came 1st and also won highest marks for the under 13's section and then her dance school were awarded Outstanding dance school. An amazing weekend and great experience.

Well done Isabelle, another wonderful achievement!



# Hatfield Peverel Infant & Nursery School and Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School



## Term and Holiday Dates: Academic Year 2023-24

September 2023							October 2023							November 2023							December 2023						
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	= Schooldays		= School holidays		= Bank holidays		= Weekends		= Non-pupil Days
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In addition, schools allocate five non-pupil days out of the school days indicated, or the equivalent in disaggregated twilight sessions.

<b>Autumn Term:</b>	Monday 4 September 2023 – Wednesday 20 December 2023 <i>Half Term 23 October – 27 October</i>	73 days
<b>Spring Term:</b>	Thursday 4 January 2024 – Thursday 28 March 2024 <i>Half Term 19 February – 23 February</i>	56 days
<b>Summer Term:</b>	Monday 15 April 2024 – Tuesday 23 July 2024 <i>Half Term 27 May – 31 May, and May Bank Holiday – 6 May</i>	66 days
		<u>195 days</u>

### Please note:

The above dates may vary for individual schools, especially Foundation, Voluntary Aided schools and Academies. You are strongly advised to check with your child's school before making any holiday or other commitments.





**BEACON HILL ROVERS FC  
CURRENT YEAR 5 PLAYERS  
WANTED**

**We are looking for new boys  
and girls to join our Under 11's  
team!**

**We are based in Wickham  
Bishops and are a fun, friendly  
and encouraging team.**

**For more information, please  
contact Jake on 07947 697387**