

Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School

NEWSLETTER

15th March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have enjoyed the brief moments of sunshine this week! We all have here at St Andrew's!

As you will be aware, we are now using the hall al little more and have been awaiting the final installation of the facilities in the pot-wash.

At the end of next week we will be beginning to use the hall for sandwiches, and the return of hot meals will be from Monday 25th March.

More details will be sent next week regarding the menu and how to order. I am also making plans for after school clubs and music lessons to begin after the Easter holidays.

The clubs (to be held on Mondays and Tuesdays) will be led by SCS (the coaching company that we use) and the music lessons taught by Essex music services. More information will be coming in the next week or two when all plans have been finalised- but I wanted you to know that I am trying as hard as I can to facilitate these extra-curricular opportunities for your children.



Wishing you all a lovely weekend. From Mrs Black and the St. Andrew's team.



GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK We have said goodbye to Mrs. Pilcher today. She is heading off to a secondary school to work as a cover supervisor and we wish her all the luck in the world.





RED NOSE DAY SUCCESS!

It was lovely seeing so much colour in school today as the children wore non-uniform. We raised £263.50

Spring Term 2024 - dates for your diary:-

Thursday 21st March: SATS/Hilltop Info Meeting for Parents and Pupils 3:15pm (Year 6) Thursday 21st March: Year 5 dress rehearsal 1.30pm - Grandparents welcome Monday 25th March: Year 5 Easter Performance 2pm Thursday 28th March: Easter Service (1.30pm) parents welcome and last day of term Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April: Easter Holidays Summer Term 2024 (more dates for this term to follow) Monday 15th April: children back to school Monday 6th May: Bank Holiday Monday 27th to Friday 31st May: Half Term Break Monday 3rd June: Inset Day Tuesday 25th June: Year 5 Taster Day, Maltings Academy (further details to follow from Maltings) Friday 5th July: Inset Day Tuesday 23rd July: Last day of term Wednesday 24th July to Friday 30th August: Summer Holidays Monday 2nd September: Inset Day Tuesday 3rd September: children back to school

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for response
All Years	 Consent required for Carmel Jane Photography (CJP) promotional video taking place in school on Wednesday 20th March 	Friday 15 th March - consent required via ParentPay
Year 3		
Year 4		
Year 5	Please book your spaces for the Year 5 Easter Performance via ParentPay (MAX 2 per child)	
Year 6	SATS/Hilltop Information Meeting for Parents and Pupils – Thursday 21 st March at 3.15pm	

Request from the office

If you happen to have any children's underwear that you are about to get rid of, please would you donate it to the school. We have completely run out of spare underwear for boys and girls of all ages. We would be grateful for any donations of pants, knickers, socks and tights.

Thank you



20MPH Speed Limit

For everyone's safety

Did you read Ava's article in the newsletter of 15th February, written alongside other school councillors, about how St. Andrew's School Council is supporting Councillor Louis in his campaign to get a temporary? If you missed it, catch up <u>here</u>. Did you fill in Isabelle's survey about <u>your</u> views on the proposals? We would still love to know what you think.





If you haven't already done so, click <u>here</u> to fill in our survey.



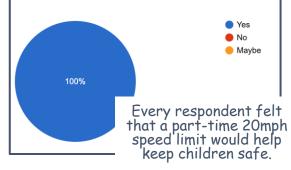
On Wednesday 13th March, Cllr Louis came into school to meet with the school council. He talked to us about his role as a councillor on Essex Councty Council, representing Hatfield Peverel.

We went out and looked at the front of the school and the area that we are hoping will me made safer by a 20 mph wigwag sign. Cllr Louis asked about parking on the yellow zigzags which Mrs Black and school councillors told him is still a problem.

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School Councillors have been invited to a full council meeting of Essex County Council to ask the cabinet member responsible, about funding our wig wag sign. Filling in our survey will help us with evidence to support our request. If you haven't already done so, click <u>here</u> to fill in our survey.



Hettie, Ellis, Harrison & Niah Jack, Isabel, Elliot & Isabella Isabelle, Fletcher, Thomas, Grace & Skylar, Alexander, William & Ava YELLOW ZIG-ZAGS

SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR

As you are aware, there have been issues recently with parents not adhering to road-laws with the yellow zig-zags outside of the two schools and parking during the hours when it is NOT allowed. This impacts other drivers when trying to see down and up Church Road and, more importantly, makes the road far less safe for the children walking to school.

Please consider the safety of other road users and the children of both our school and HPIN when dropping off your child. A scary moment was witnessed this week so can we please ask for your support.

<u>Year 4</u>

We have a case of head-lice reported in Year 4. Please check your children and treat (where necessary) to avoid the spread of these most unwelcome visitors.

Several children have also mentioned verrucas when preparing for indoor PE. The floor in the hall is too slippery to wear normal socks so the children usually go bare-foot. If your child has a verruca can you please provide them with either plimpsolls or grippy socks (jump street socks are fine!) to wear for indoor PE. Thank you.

<u>Carmel Jane Photography – Promotional Video</u> <u>A FINAL CONSENT REMINDER</u>

A reminder that on Wednesday 20th March, Carmel Jane Photography & Film (CJP) are coming to make a publicity promotional video for us to use to advertise and promote the wonderful things about our school. We would like to give every child the chance to shine in our promotional film.

We would be grateful if you would give the necessary parental consent to give us and CJP permission to use the photographs or video taken of your child(ren) by CJP in our promotional film, printed and online publicity. You have been assigned to an event in ParentPay where this necessary consent can be given. Please note, if you do not give consent, your child(ren) will <u>not</u> be included in the video.

Information for HPSAJS parents who also have a child in HPINS Diamond Class.

On the last day of the Spring term we will be having an Easter service at St Andrew's. This is from 1:30-2:30.

The <u>Diamond</u> class assembly is on the same day but will not be starting until **2:40pm** to allow you to attend both events.

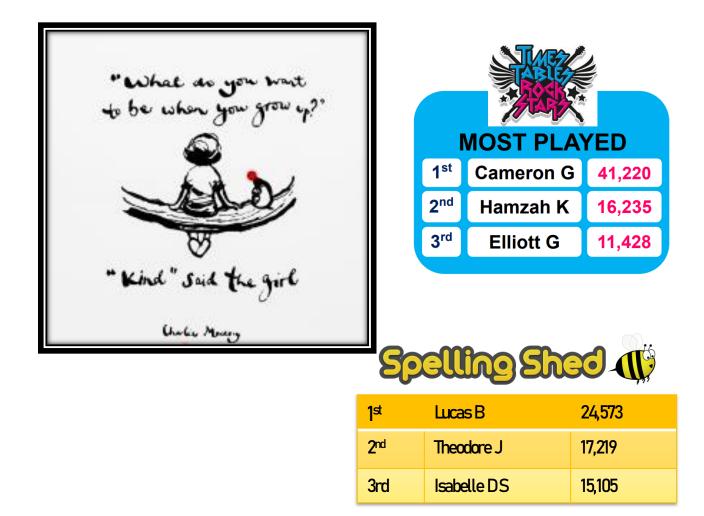


Wishing a very Happy Birthday to those who celebrate their birthdays between: 11^{th} to 17^{th} March 2024

Noah P, Eva,

Mr Pheifer, Mrs Hill

For more artwork please follow: <u>https://twitter.com/charliemackesy?lang=en</u>





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!

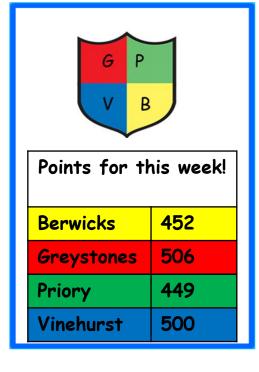
Well done for demonstrating our CARE values.

Apple – Grace L Birch – Hettie Cherry – Mason Fir – Lola-Rose Maple – Viraj Oak – Lucas B Rowan – Izzy Sycamore – Eli



Compassion Achievement Respect Enjoyment Every child is loved and known. Every child shines.

WELL DONE TO GREYSTONES HOUSE!







Last week, Year 5 enjoyed a fantastic Viking Day run by Lord Ulf (Patrick) from 'History Off The Page'. The children and staff dressed up as Vikings and they looked very authentic in their costumes. Here is what the children had to say about the day:

When we went into the hall, a guy called Lord Ulf seated us around in a circle and talked us through the activities. He told us how to do each one. Lakshaya





To start the day, we

decorated a brown bag to put all our creations in. When I got into the hall, I started making a Viking necklace. It was really fun and I put it around my neck. Remi

I did crushing

acorns and when they got to a powder you added water to mix it up. We had to mix it until it got to a black ink. I got a quill and wrote my name. You had to keep on dipping it into the mixture to get ink because it ran out quickly. Franky





I made a bracelet. I took two colours and tied them together. Then I put a rock on the knot and twisted them until they were rally tight. Then I folded them together and tied. I let go and it formed a bracelet. Charlotte

I played Hnefatafl which is a Viking chess game one side is Danes, one side is Anglo-Saxons. It was easier to win as a Dane! Luke



After lunch, we did some shield training outside and we made walls with our shields. I had a fun time as we had to charge at Lord Ulf! Eden





In the afternoon, Lord Ulf picked my clay pot and made it into a brooch. He melted pewter and poured it in. Grace

I did 9 out of the 10 activities. I wish school was like this everyday - it was lots of fun! Harry

Thank you so much to our parent/grandparent helpers as without them we wouldn't have



been able to run all the activities. Please visit the school website to see more photos! Year 5

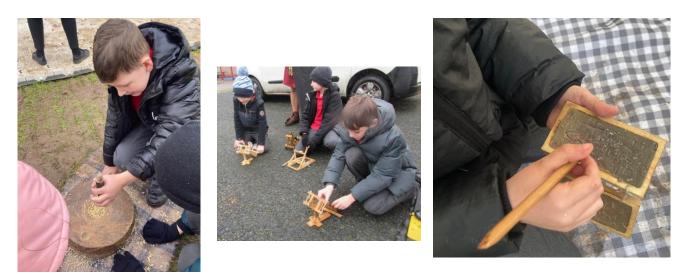


Spotlight on Year 4



At the end of February, Year 4 enjoyed an immersive 'Roman Day' run by 'Lulius Marcellinus,' a Roman legionary.

The day began with Lulius setting up a tent and campfire. He asked the children whether they thought they'd like to have lived in Roman times and the answer was a resounding 'yes!'. He told them about the day in the life of a Roman soldier: how many miles they marched every day, what they ate and some of the camp jobs they had to do every day. The children had turns at some of these camp jobs: grinding corn, cleaning armour and 'washing' using olive oil and scrapers on their arms!



Neil R was dressed up in child-sized armour and Mrs Maginn in the adult one (she could barely move; it was so stiff and heavy!).



After a break, the children had a go at writing on wax tablets and were introduced to some Roman board games that would have been played in any spare time the soldiers had. By now, it was pouring with rain, but that didn't dampen the children's enthusiasm!

In the hall, the afternoon began with a taste of Roman food: 'hardtrack' bread (rock hard and very dry!) and a 2000 year old lentil stew recipe (very tasteless!). They handled real Roman artefacts and worked out what they were. Then the children were taught how to march in formation, including the 'tortoise' manoeuvre for defence.







At the end of the day, Lulius asked the children again whether they'd have liked to live in Roman times. By now, they had realised just how much easier life is today with gadgets to help with chores, so they were less enthusiastic than they had been in the morning!

Last Friday, we invited the Y4 parents into an assembly about the Romans. It was lovely to see so many of them and they enjoyed songs, sketches, facts, Roman-themed jokes and art. The children had practised hard in a very short space of time (once we had somewhere to practise!) and the assembly was a great success.







Please visit the school website to see more photos! **Year 4** <u>https://www.hatfieldpeverelstandrews.co</u> <u>uk/gallery/?pid=46&gcatid=14</u>













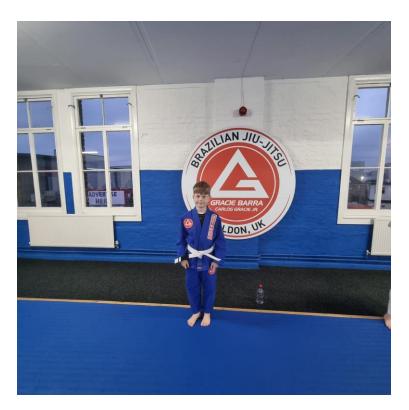


Faye's Mum sent us this message: Just to let you know Faye has been busy at the weekends, last weekend she had a cheer competition and achieved 1st place, 2nd place and her dance team came 3rd.

She then had a gymnastics competition this weekend and, bless her, has qualified for regionals which are held in May . She also walked away with a 1st on range on the whole competition so was up against 16+ year old's, 2nd on floor on the whole competition (1st in her age group) then 2nd overall where the top 3 are selected .

You have been busy Faye! Well done and keep up the hard work.





Fletcher's family sent this great photo of him earning his first stripe in Jiu Jitsu!

Fantastic job Fletcher – well done!

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SATURDAY 6TH APRIL

2-4pm HELD AT VILLAGE HALL, MALDON ROAD, CM3 2HP

ALL WELCOME ADMISSION FREE

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR VILLAGE SHOW BY ENTERING:-

- COOKERY
- FLOWERS
- CHILDREN'S CLASSES
- HANDICRAFTS

A family event

- PRESERVES
- PHOTOGRAPHY

Have a go!

OR JUST BROWSE, ENJOY A CHAT WITH A CUPPA AND HOMEMADE CAKE.

To enter call Clive 381704 or email entries to cliveemberson@outlook.com

POTATOES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THE GROW IN A BAG COMPETITION

Well done to Rhys in Year 3 for demonstrating CARE values in supporting Little Havens. Please help support Rhys if you can.



Rhys is raising money for little havens in memory of his best friend Ellis who sadly passed away last year. Little havens helped Ellis whilst he was suffering with neuroblastoma cancer.

They have also been there for Rhys since Ellis passed away with their care and support and Rhys would like to give something back.

The raffle and cake sale will take place on Monday 6th May @ 4 fitch close, Hatfield Peverel, cm3 2fb

11am-2pm

Tickets are £2 a strip or 3 strips for £5 please pay via go fund page or message me directly



https://gofund.me/7a20939d

Prizes include £50 cash, meal out vouchers, beauty vouchers,Beach hut, Bowling, Ice skating, Lego, soft play plus much more







Colchester United Community Foundation Invites you to join us for a FREE Neurodivergence and Down Syndrome <u>Friendly Football Session</u>

Saturday 23rd March – 12.30pm-2.00pm

Colchester United Community Foundation are hosting a free taster session for our new **Neurodivergence & Downs** Syndrome friendly football sessions for young people aged 5yrs-17yrs at Shrub End Community and Sports Centre (CO2 9BG) on Saturday 23rd March between 12.30pm-2pm.

Our disability sessions offer football-based activities in Colchester for under 18s who may have a physical disability or additional needs, including autism and ADHD. Our players may gain opportunities to represent Colchester United against other pan-disability squads in competitions or tournaments.

Downs Syndrome Football Taster session (5yrs-17yrs) LINK TO BOOK - <u>https://colchester-united-</u> cf.classforkids.io/camp/467

Autism and Neurodivergent Football Taster Session (5yrs-17yrs) LINK TO BOOK - https://colchester-unitedcf.classforkids.io/camp/473

For more information about the event, please email Francesca.brooke@colchesterunited.net

We hope to see you on the 23rd March!

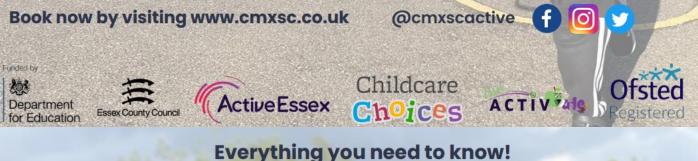
TO INSPIRE, ENRICH AND UNITE OUR COMMUNITIES

Shrub End Community & Sport Centre, Boadicea Way, Colchester, Essex, CO2 9BG

JOIN OUR TEAM EVERY SCHOOL Holiday for our active camps!

OFFERING YOUR CHILD A SAFE SPACE TO LEARN, SOCIALISE, STAY ACTIVE, FORM FRIENDSHIPS, DEVELOP INTERESTS AND BUILD CONFIDENCE.

Come and join our team every school holiday for lots of fun, sports and much more! PLUS exciting new activities & theme days we cant wait to share with you.



Everything you need to know:

Venue - Maltings Academy Spinks Lane, Witham CM8 1EP

Time 9.00am - 3.30pm Early Drop Off 8.30am - Late Pick Up 4.30pm

Age - For all school aged children from Year R - Year 7

Sports - Football, Basketball, Tag Rugby, Gymnastics, Cricket PLUS much more

> Price - Normal Day £25 Early Drop Off £3 - Late Pick Up £5



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FREE EASTER HOLIDAY CLUBS WITH ESSEX ACTIVATE!

1st April - 12th April

Eligible school aged children and young people are invited to book onto FREE, fun-filled activity clubs who are run by a network of locally, trusted organisations and brought to you by Active Essex, Essex County Council and Thurrock Council, on behalf of the Department for Education!





IS MY CHILD ELIGIBLE?

Clubs offer spaces to primary and secondary school aged children (4-16 years) who are eligible for benefit based free school meals. Limited spaces are available for young people who are also from 'lowincome' working families, as well as children who may be vulnerable to inactivity or social isolation.

WHERE WILL THE CLUBS BE RUN?

Clubs will be running across Essex in Braintree, Basildon, Brentwood, Castle Point, Chelmsford, Colchester, Epping, Harlow, Maldon, Rochford, Tendring, Thurrock and Uttlesford!

WHAT DO THE CLUBS PROVIDE?

Clubs provide a range of different physical, enrichment and food activities to support children's physical and mental wellbeing, as well as a delicious, nutritious meal! We also offer specialist youth, SEND and mental wellbeing clubs.

HOW DO I BOOK ONTO A CLUB?

If you have received a Holiday Activities voucher code, click the link on the voucher to book your child/ren onto a club. If you're still awaiting a voucher code, please contact your school. If you aren't eligible for a Holiday Activities voucher as your child/ren do not receive benefits based free school meals, please contact a local club directly to book on by heading to our website below.

www.activeessex.org/children-young-people/essex-activate

