

# Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School



## NEWSLETTER 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has flown past, with heavy rain, fog and a crane on site too!

Maple and Apple classrooms are now water -tight once more!

I have had a meeting with the Department for Education regarding the timelines for our new temporary school building. These have not yet been confirmed, which we suspected -due to the lack of contractors on site! The completion date will now be at some point in the Summer term.

I will share more when it has been confirmed.

In the meantime, life as normal continues at St Andrew's!

We had an RE Quality Assurance visit from our Education adviser from the Diocese of Chelmsford this week. She was really impressed with the quality of teaching, engagement of the children and leadership of RE. Thank you to Mrs Maginn who works so hard to support teachers deliver creative, enjoyable and interesting units of work.

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



### PARKING CONCERNS

We receive a lot of feedback (including photographic evidence) from the community of poor and illegal parking around the school site. Unfortunately, as this seems to be escalating (and out of our control!), a resident has shared their safety concerns to our local MP, Priti Patel. In turn, Ms Patel has made a request for parking officers to patrol the areas around the school during peak times. We are not sure when and how often this will occur, but you may want to consider this when parking around the school. We thank you for your help and support in keeping our children safe.



### New Catering Team

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Thomas (Catering Manager, on R) and Miss Herodotou (Catering Assistant, on L) to the kitchen team.

### Amazon Wish Lists

We are often asked how families can support the school to provide a wide-ranging curriculum and keep to our high standard of education. Staff have put together an Amazon wish list for each year group. If you are able and willing to contribute please visit the links below for your child's year group. Items bought are sent directly to school within a few days and added to our resources.

*We are so grateful for your continued support.*

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

[Year 5](#)

[Year 6](#)

### School Meal Pre-ordering

- By Midnight on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January for the week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025

## Spring Term 2025 - Diary Dates

Friday 31st January: Grandparents Morning 10am-10.45am

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February: Year 3 Egyptian Day

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February: Year 3 Dental Pilot Visit

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February: Year 5 Road Safety Visit

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February: Year 4 Roman Day (details to follow)

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March: World Book Day (details to follow)

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March: Year 6 to Harry Potter -Warner Bros Studios (details to follow)

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March: Year 5 Viking Day (details to follow)

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March: Parent Consultation Evenings

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March: Year 5 Easter Performance 2.30pm (details to follow)

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April: Year 5 Easter Performance 9.15am (details to follow)

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April: Easter Church Service 11am (details to follow)

**Our 'no coat, no play' policy is back.** Even if your child does not want to wear a coat to school- please bring it regardless! They will wear it at break and lunch. We do have a few 'spare' coats that children can wear if they forget their own!.

### **'Attendance Matters'**

**Attendance for each year group this week.**

<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Year 6</b>
96%	95%	94%	94%

**Communication regarding attendance concerns and requests for leave of absence will now be shared electronically via email wherever possible.**

**This is in line with ECC directives.**

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Trip or Event</b>	<b>Deadline for response</b>
All Years		
Year 3	Egyptian Day Letter  Dental Pilot Scheme - Parental Consent Forms shared (all to complete whether consent granted or not please)	Friday 31st January 2025
Year 4		
Year 5	Letter from KEGS re upcoming prospective student tours (boys only)	
Year 6		



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 - Maddy**  
**Birch - Cameron**  
**Cherry - Jessica**  
**Fir - Cameron**  
**Maple - Stanley**  
**Oak - Isabella**  
**Rowan - Viraj**  
**Sycamore - Aliyah**



**Compassion Achievement Respect**  
**Enjoyment**

Every child is loved and known.

Every child shines.



Congratulations to the children below who have made it onto the TTRS leader board for this week!



### Year 3 MOST PLAYED

1 <sup>st</sup>	Tedd H	2,264
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Everly L	2,190
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Arthur V	1,036



### Year 4 MOST PLAYED

1 <sup>st</sup>	Cameron G	15,509
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Theodore J	13,285
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Alice A	11,638



### Year 5 MOST PLAYED

1 <sup>st</sup>	Isla W	27,490
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Joshua W	12,671
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Elliott G	10,051



### Year 6 MOST PLAYED

1 <sup>st</sup>	Lucas B	7,024
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Henry M	6,684
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Imogen L	4,770



Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to those who celebrate their birthdays between:  
**20<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**Alice A (Fir), Ellis C (Maple), Chase F (Rowan), Hazel S (Fir), Timothy C (Oak)**

**Miss Coughlan,**



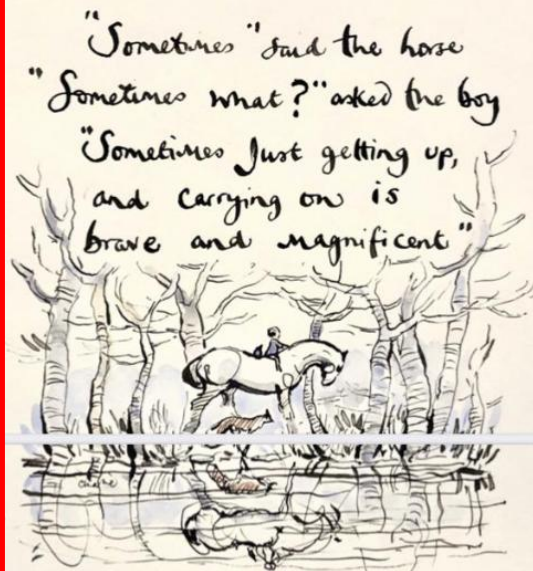
**Winner of House  
Points for this  
week.**

<b>Berwicks</b>	<b>602</b>
<b>Greystones</b>	<b>583</b>
<b>Priory</b>	<b>592</b>
<b>Vinehurst</b>	<b>555</b>

## **Spelling Shed**



<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Ivy</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Ernest</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Delilah</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Lucas B</b>



If you want to see more from Charlie Mackesy please follow  
<https://www.charliemackesy.com/>

# SPOTLIGHT ON:

## Year 3



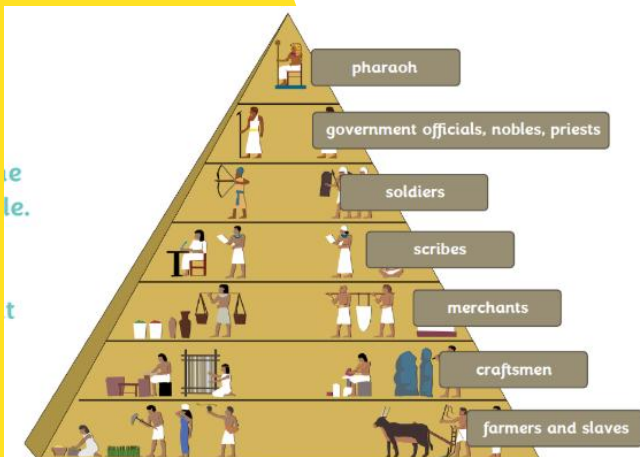
We're excited to share what our Year Threes will be learning in the coming weeks as we travel back to Ancient Egyptian times!

In English lessons, we've written diary entries as fictional explorer, Tadeo Jones, and his finding of an ancient crypt. Please read some of the amazing writing produced. We are so proud of all the children. Next, we will be delving into story writing, focusing on character development and progressing a story with speech.

In History, we have looked at the timeline and what was happening at the same time as the beginning of early Ancient Egypt - it was the Stone Age! This week, we have learned all about their writing called hieroglyphics and wrote our names.

We're also looking forward to our immersive Ancient Egyptian Day on 10th February. We can't wait to see all the costumes!

Miss O'Connor and Mrs Arnold



# MUSIC



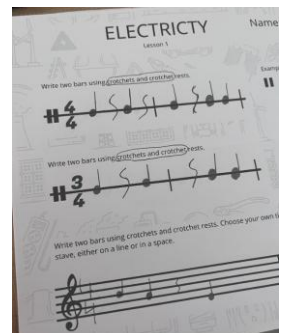
Firstly, I would just like to say the biggest well done to Year 3 and Year 4 on their festive performances before Christmas. I had the pleasure of watching the Year 4's dress rehearsal and it was amazing to see all the children shining! The next performance in the calendar is the Year 5's at Easter.

Here at St Andrew's, we follow Get Set 4 Music and each year group will complete two unit across the year plus their performance.

In Autumn Term, Year 3 learned all about Western notation which was linked to their Stone Age topic. Year 4, focussed on rhythm and pulse linked to the Samba.

In Upper Key Stage Two, Year 5 were using planets as their inspiration for composing music and in Year 6 we used our theme of electricity to compose and explore using different time signatures.

If you would like to find out more information about Music at St Andrew's, please visit our [website](#).



## CORNER

Miss Coughlan



We received a lovely message from Mrs Lapwood this week who has set-up a fundraiser – this time, just for Freddie. We are all very keen to help Mrs Lapwood give Freddie something to celebrate and be able to do something special.

Please do read the link below and help support Freddie's family (wherever you are able to). Thank you.



Help raise £500 to support Freddie McIntosh-Brown who is currently "kicking cancers butt"  
[justgiving.com](http://justgiving.com)



Imogen in year 6 had her dance awards evening on Saturday. She collected her freestyle bronze & street dance yellow. Immy also earned an extra 'special' award for 'performance queen'.

Congratulations Imogen – your family are very proud of you and so are we!



**AUTUMN/WINTER TERM 2024/25 - SCHOOL MEAL MENUS (weeks 1 & 2)**

**Please ensure you have PRE-ORDERED via ParentPay**

**Please order by midnight on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January for the week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> February**

**Meals are £2.55 daily**

Thank you for helping to support our school by choosing a school meal for your child/ren.

**Week ONE Menu**

**Weeks beginning 6<sup>th</sup> January & 27<sup>th</sup> January**

**WINTER 2024/25 - LUNCH MENU**

**Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pasta Neapolitan with Cheese (v)	Homemade Chicken Pie	Chili Con Carne	Roast Gammon	Chicken Nuggets
	or	or	or	or
Garlic Bread (v) Broccoli (ve)	Roasted Vegetable Crumble (ve)	Vegetable/Lentil Chili Con Carne (ve)	Roasted Herby Quorn Fillet (ve)	Crispy Vegetable Dippers (ve)
Smoothie (ve)	Mash Potatoes (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (ve)	White & Wholemeal Rice (ve) Sweetcorn (ve)	Roasted New Potatoes (v) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Mixed Vegetables (v) Gravy (ve)	Chips (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Peas (ve)
	Fruit (ve) or Yoghurt (v)	Oat Cookie (ve)	Syrup Sponge (v)	Fruit (ve) or Yoghurt (v)

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

**Week TWO Menu**

**Weeks beginning 13<sup>th</sup> January & 3<sup>rd</sup> February**

**WINTER 2024/25 - LUNCH MENU**

**Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Sausage Roll	Butter Chicken Curry	Mince Beef Bolognese	Roast Gammon	Fish Fillet
or	or	or	or	or
Sausage Twist (ve)	Sweet Potato & Lentil Curry (ve)	Vegetable/Lentil Bolognese (ve)	Roasted Quorn Fillet (ve)	Fishless Finger (ve)
Wedges (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Peas (ve)	Rice (ve) Cauliflower/Broccoli (ve)	Spaghetti Broccoli (ve)	Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (ve)	Chips (ve) Peas (ve) Sweetcorn (ve)
Fruit (ve) or Yoghurt (v)	Marble Cake (v)	Ginger Biscuit (ve)	Fruit (ve) or Yoghurt (v)	Ice Cream (v)

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Jacket Potato (ve) with Cheese (v) Beans (ve) Tuna Mayo	Crispy Dippers (ve) with Sweet & Sour or BBQ Sauce	Sausage Toad in the Hole	Roast Chicken	Omega 3 Fish Fingers
Pepper/Sweetcorn Salad (ve)	or Vegetable Curry (ve)	or Veggie Sausage Toad in the Hole (v)	or Roasted Vegetable Crumble (v)	or Fluffy Cheese Omelette (v)
Fruit (ve) or Yoghurt (v)	Rice (ve) Broccoli (ve)	Mash (ve) Peas (ve) Gravy (ve)	Roasted New Potatoes (ve) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Gravy (ve)	Chips (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Sweetcorn (ve)
	Sponge with Toffee Sauce (v)	Biscuit (ve)	Fruit (ve) or Yoghurt (v)	Fruit (ve) or Yoghurt (v)

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**Meals can be pre-ordered to February HALF TERM and will only be charged to ParentPay once the meal has been taken.**

# King Edward VI Grammar School

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**Headteacher: Mr T P Carter MA MBA NPQH**

January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Prospective Student Tours – March 2025

We are pleased to let you know that we are holding a series of open day events at KEGS in late March 2025 for Year 5 boys, together with ONE parent or carer. These are for boys who are interested in a place at KEGS, and who will be starting secondary school in September 2026.

The sessions are:

**Thursday 6 March – 13:25 or 14:05**

**Friday 7 March – 13:25 or 14:05**

**Monday 10 March – 13:25 or 14:05**

**Tuesday 11 March – 09:10 or 09:50**

**Wednesday 12 March – NO TOURS ON THIS DAY**

**Thursday 13 March – 09:10 or 09:50**

**Friday 14 March – 13:25 or 14:05**

The event will include a presentation from myself, and from some of our Year 8 students, followed by a short question and answer session. There will also be a tour of the school with one of our staff tour guides. Entry is by booking only and please follow this [link](#) to reserve your place.

As places are limited you will understand that we are restricting bookings to one child and one adult ONLY, and we can only accept one booking per family.

Tours will be partly outside so please dress for the weather. Please arrive promptly as sessions will start on time and allow one and a half hours for your visit.

Full details of our Admissions Policy can be found on our [website](#).

Thank you very much for your interest in our school and we look forward to meeting you.

Kind regards

**Tom Carter**  
Headteacher



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# Essex ACTIVate Half Term



## BOOK ONTO A HALF TERM ACTIVITY CLUB WITH ESSEX ACTIVATE!

Children and young people are invited to book onto fun-filled half term holiday clubs and enjoy free activities run by locally trusted club organisations across Essex, brought to you by Active Essex on behalf of Essex County Council!

### IS MY CHILD ELIGIBLE?

Essex ActivAte offer free, club spaces to primary and secondary school aged children who are eligible or receive pupil premium, benefit based free school meals or income-related benefits, also children who may be vulnerable to inactivity or social isolation. Clubs may offer discretionary paid places and paid for places, so there is something for everyone at an Essex ActivAte club!

### WHERE WILL THE CLUBS BE RUN?

Clubs will run in Braintree, Basildon, Brentwood, Castle Point, Chelmsford, Colchester, Epping, Harlow, Maldon, Rochford, Tendring and Uttlesford! Due to half term programmes being solely funded by Essex County Council, unfortunately there will not be any clubs running in Thurrock.

### WHAT DO THE CLUBS PROVIDE?

Clubs offer different engaging activities such as sports and games, crafts, colouring, dance, baking and more! They also provide nutritious meals and snacks, as well as food education, helping to engage young people and support parents during the half term holidays. Specialist SEND, mental wellbeing and youth clubs will also be available to book onto, offering further support for children.

### HOW DO I BOOK ONTO A CLUB?

You will not receive or book on with your HolidayActivities voucher code for half term holiday clubs. To book onto a local club, head over to the Essex ActivAte website, find the area that you live in and book on with the link, email or contact number provided by the club organisation directly.

Find out more about Essex ActivAte half term holiday clubs and book here. 





# FEBRUARY HALF TERM WITHAM FOOTBALL CAMP

Howbridge Junior School, Howbridge Road, Witham CM8 1BZ

## 2 Day Camp

Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th February

10am-1pm • Age 4-5 years • £20 per day

10am-3pm • Age 6-12 years • £25 per day

⚽ **Book Both Days, Save £10!** ⚽

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or CALL BRAD ON 07464 235643 to book your child's place.

Boys and girls welcome. Packed lunch and drinks bottle required.

Payments can be made by cash or card on the day of camp.

Kit needed: Sports clothing, shin pads, trainers/boots



  
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