

Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School



NEWSLETTER

14th March 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, what a very busy week we have had!! Cross country, Harry Potter Studio tour, Viking Day and Ofsted! All of which were hard work, rewarding, great fun (in parts!) and provided many opportunities for our amazing children to shine brightly.

The Ofsted report will not be published until after the Easter Holidays but I will share it with you as soon as I can.

I would like to thank the eighty parents who took the time to share their thoughts and experiences of their children's time here at St Andrew's Junior School. The inspectors were very impressed with the number of you who completed it. Thank you also for the good wishes, biscuits and cakes that have been brought in for the whole team.

Your children all shone so brightly this week in so many different ways!



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



Easter Holiday Club

Happy Healthy Minds in Maldon are offering a **20% discount** for first-time Holiday Club bookings. Use code: **EASTER20**

They are also offering **free holiday club spaces** with **@EssexActivAte** for families who receive free school meals. If you are eligible, you should receive your voucher code for free clubs by email on 14th March.

For more information see their flyer on page 15 of this newsletter.



RED NOSE DAY

Friday 21st March

Non-uniform day

No red noses please

Suggested donation of £2 can be made via ParentPay using the link below (please do not send in cash):-

<https://shorturl.at/DAPad>

SCHOOL MEAL PRE-ORDERING

By midnight on **WEDNESDAY 19th March** – for week beginning **24th March**

If you have any queries, please do contact the school office.

Spring Term 2025 - Diary Dates

Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th March: Parent Consultation Evenings

Friday 28th March: JSA Mother's Day Gift Shop

Monday 31st March: Year 5 Easter Performance 2pm

Tuesday 1st April: Year 5 Easter Performance 9.15am

Friday 4th April: Easter Church Service 11am **Finish at 1pm** (details to follow)

Notes for Summer Term

Week beginning 12th May: Year 6 SATS

Monday 9th to Wednesday 11th June: Year 6 Residential Trip (Manor Adventure)

Week beginning 23rd June: Year 6-7 Transition Week

Wednesday 2nd July: Maltings Year 5 Taster Day (await further info from Maltings)

Thursday 3rd July: GBHS Year 5 Taster Day (await further info from GBHS)

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.

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96%	95%	92%	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.

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for response
All Years	Parent Consultation Appointment Links (see next page)	
Year 3		
Year 4		
Year 5	Letter to Parents re: Easter Assemblies	Please complete the 'ticket' request on ParentPay
Year 6		

PARENT CONSULTATION APPOINTMENTS/ONE PLANS

Apple (Mrs Arnold)	https://forms.gle/EaZxHvFVDe6D9KM7
Birch (Miss O'Connor)	https://forms.gle/GHt4mcSc93KU8G7T9
Cherry (Mr Baker)	https://forms.gle/QMjDWdWQYJm2VCLUA
Fir (Miss Bonich/Mrs Maginn)	https://forms.gle/pifW7iquM8BWWKDd6
Maple (Mrs Briggs)	https://forms.gle/kq33Hbxp2uVSHkJ98
Oak (Mrs Spilling)	https://forms.gle/8mHJNRnSsGhdCEpL6
Rowan (Miss Coughlan)	https://forms.gle/aWjnaB2qegeMpkcC6
Sycamore (Mrs Smith)	https://forms.gle/afr3FzqKa5M1bDGcA

LOST PROPERTY AND LABELLING

Lost property is again overflowing and it is impossible to return items to rightful owners when it is not named. Stikins name labels are a quick and easy way to name clothing (although a laundry pen is also fine!). Please remember to quote our school code **18676** when you order to earn 30% commission for our school.

<https://www.stikins.co.uk/>



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 – Everyone!
Birch – Everyone!
Cherry – Everyone!
Fir – Everyone!
Maple – Everyone!
Oak – Everyone!
Rowan – Everyone!
Sycamore – Everyone!



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

COMPUTING



Computing is a popular subject of many children at St. Andrew's and we have some very budding coding enthusiasts! Teachers follow a scheme of work put together by Teach Computing which focuses on four main areas: Programming, Creating Media, Computer Systems and Networks and Data and Information. Technology is also used in other curriculum subjects, for example when researching volcanoes in Year 5 Geography or the Romans in Year 4 History.

Currently in Year 6, the children are using Tinkercad to create their own 3D models and Year 5 are using Google Drawings to create vector drawings of animals and buildings. Year 4 are using microbits to log data such as temperature, light and movement and Year 3 are learning how to create and use databases.

At lunchtimes, there is a Coding Club for Year 5 and 6 where the children are learning more about coding with Scratch and working towards a competition to design their own game with the Young Coders association.

All our children have logins for the Scratch website which they can use at home too. Even though it is an online community, Scratch heavily monitor activity on the site and it is proud to be a safe and playful learning environment. It is lovely to see some children going home from lessons and continuing to develop their coding skills and projects at home!

Please visit the Computing area of the school website for more information on our curriculum!



Mrs Briggs



SPOTLIGHT ON:

Year 5 Viking Day



On Thursday, Year 5 were visited by History Off The Page for an exciting and enriching Viking Day to celebrate their Viking history topic.



During the morning, the children got to choose different craft activities linked to a Viking village and everything they made they got to take home. There was rune casting, shield necklace making, clay pottery, candle making and many other exciting activities. A highlight for some was shield and archery training with our Viking warrior.



In the afternoon, the children returned to present day and carried out an archaeological dig, finding items belonging to the Vikings and deciding what they were and who would have used them.

It was clear to see from the children's faces that they had a fantastic day! We are very grateful for all the parent helps as without them we wouldn't have been run all the activities. Please visit the school website photo galleries to see more photos!





Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to those who celebrate their birthdays between:

10th to 16th March 2025

Noah P (Sycamore), Eva B (Cherry),

Mrs Smith (who is celebrating a BIG birthday!)

Mrs Hill, Mr Pheifer



Winner of House
Points for this week
is
VINEHURST

Berwicks	391
Greystones	434
Priory	491
Vinehurst	512



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

Spelling Shed 

Lucas B	Year 6
Esme F	Year 5
Sophie W	Year 4
Leo D	Year 3





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



Year 3 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Archie B	7,244
2 nd	James B	3,370
3 rd	Tedd H	2,104



Year 4 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Cameron G	26,112
2 nd	Theodore J	14,059
3 rd	Logan S	11,371



Year 5 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Isla W	14,004
2 nd	Delilah P	10,276
3 rd	Elliott G	9,630



Year 6 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Lucas B	12,800
2 nd	Imogen L	6,380
3 rd	Amelia B	4,574

*** NEW * NEW * NEW ***

SPRING/SUMMER TERM 2025 - SCHOOL MEAL MENUS (weeks 1 & 2)

Please ensure you have PRE-ORDERED via ParentPay

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

Week beginning 17th March



SPRING/SUMMER 2025 - LUNCH MENU

Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Cheese & Pepperoni Pizza	Cottage Pie with Mixed Vegetables	Tomato Pasta Bake (ve)	Roast Chicken Breast	Fish Fingers
or	or		or	or
Cheese Pizza (v)	Quorn Cottage Pie with Mixed Vegetables (v)	Chunky Crusty Bread (ve) Broccoli (ve)	Quorn Fillet (ve)	Vegetable Fingers (ve)
Herby Diced Seasoned Potatoes (v) Peas & Sweetcorn (ve)	Mash (ve) Savoy Cabbage (v) Gravy (ve)		Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Stuffing (ve) Carrots & Green Beans (ve) Gravy (ve)	Chunky Chips (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Peas (ve)
Fruit Selection (ve) or Yoghurt Selection (v)	Angel Delight (v)	Fruit Cocktail & Sliced Peaches (ve)	Smoothies (ve)	Carrot Cake (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

Week beginning 24th March



SPRING/SUMMER 2025 - LUNCH MENU

Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pork Sausages	Beef Meat Balls	Pasta Spirals with Bechamel Sauce (v)	All Day Breakfast With Sausage & Bacon	Bubble Fish
or	or		or	or
Quorn Sausages (ve)	Plant Based Balls (ve)		Quorn Sausages (ve)	Quorn Nuggets (ve)
Mash (ve) Baked Beans & Peas (ve) Gravy (ve)	Rustic Tomato Sauce (ve) Spaghetti (ve) Cheese (v)	Grated Cheese (v) Garlic Bread (v) Sweetcorn (ve)	Hash Brown (v) Baked Beans (ve) Scrambled Egg (v) Mushrooms (ve) Tomatoes (ve)	Potato Wedges (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Peas (ve)
Frozen Yoghurts (v)	Chocolate Cake (v)	Apple, Banana, Satsuma (ve) or Yoghurt (v)	Fruit Cocktail & Sliced Peaches (ve)	Ice Cream (v) & Chocolate Sauce (ve)

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SPRING/SUMMER TERM 2025 - SCHOOL MEAL MENUS (week 3)

Please ensure you have PRE-ORDERED via ParentPay

Meals are £2.55 daily

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



Week Three Menu

Week beginning 31st March



SPRING/SUMMER 2025 - LUNCH MENU

Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pasta Rustic Tomato Sauce (ve)	Hearty Beef Bolognaise	Chicken & Sweet Potato Korma Curry	Roast Turkey	Harry Ramsden Fish
or	or	or	or	or
Macaroni Cheese (v)	Hearty Quorn Bolognaise (v)	Sweet Potato & Vegetable Korma Quorn Chunks (ve)	Quorn Fillets (ve)	Vegetable Fingers (ve)
Chunky Crusty Bread (ve) Seasonal Vegetables (ve)	Spaghetti (ve) Garlic Bread (v) Cheese (v)	Rice (ve) Broccoli (ve) Naan Bread (ve)	Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Puddings (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (ve)	Herby Diced Seasoned Potatoes (v) Mini Corn on the Cob (ve)
Ice Cream Pots (v)	Jam & Coconut Sponge (v)	Fruit (ve) or Yoghurt (v)	Cookies (ve)	Arctic Roll (v)

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

Meals can be pre-ordered up to the Easter holidays and will only be charged to ParentPay once the meal has been taken.

CSSE

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3rd March 2025

To: Headteachers of all Primary and Independent Schools in Essex

Dear Colleague,

11+ 2026 ENTRY

I am writing to inform you of the CSSE 11+ examination procedure for 2026 entry. **Registration for the 11+ exam will be from 13th May to 27th June 2025 inclusive.** CSSE schools intend to hold open days/evenings during June/July 2025.

All dates and arrangements are correct at the time of publication.

Please see important dates below:-

CSSE 11+ SIF Registration

Registration will commence from **13th May 2025**.

Arrangements for the Test - A summary of important dates is enclosed with this letter.

The tests will take place on **Saturday 20th September 2025**.

The Tuesday Test date for religious, illness or exceptional circumstances only, will take place on **Tuesday 30th September 2025**.

Closing Date for CSSE 11+ Registration

The closing date is **27th June 2025**.

The absolute deadline for receiving special adjustments supporting evidence is **27th June 2025**.
The style and length of time for each paper is as follows:

CONSORTIUM MEMBERS

King Edward VI Grammar School, Colchester County High School for Girls, Colchester Royal Grammar School
Southend High School for Girls, Southend High School for Boys, Westcliff High School for Girls, Westcliff High School for Boys
St. Bernard's High School for Girls, St. Thomas More High School for Boys, Shoeburyness High School

YEAR 5 FAMILIES (page 2)

English Paper

The English paper will comprise:

- Comprehension, grammar and vocabulary questions
- Two pieces of continuous writing

The paper will last 1 hour, with an additional 10 minutes reading time and will be worth 60 marks in total.

Mathematics Paper

The Mathematics paper will comprise:

- Questions consistent with the National Curriculum

The paper will last 1 hour and will be worth 60 marks in total.

A parental guideline for 11+ preparation is available on our website.

Free past papers for 2019 Entry to 2021 Entry are available to download from our website. Test papers for 2022 entry will be available to download from May 2025. Test papers for 2023 entry and 2024 entry are on sale now. Papers for 2025 entry will go on sale from **6th May 2025** to primary schools and parents. A school's order form is enclosed with this letter. Please **do not** give this order form to parents. A separate parental order form will be made available on the CSSE website www.csse.org.uk.

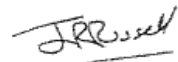
An order form for the parental information guide is also enclosed with this letter. Please complete this form and return to this office, should you wish to order any.

Please be advised that the CSSE Office will not change test dates after registration to accommodate school trips. If your school has a Year 6 trip arranged which coincides with test dates, parents should notify this office of this at the time of registration.

The Tuesday test date will not be offered to accommodate tests held by other authorities.

You may wish to circulate a copy of this letter to

Yours sincerely



Mr J. Russell
CSSE Chairman

ESSEX 11+ SELECTION TEST – 2026 ENTRY **IMPORTANT DATES**

13 May 2025	CSSE online registration link opens at 9.00am. Parents can register for the 11+ tests through the CSSE website: www.csse.org.uk OR by completing the postal form in the Information Guide.
27 June 2025	CSSE Registration closes at 5pm
27 June 2025	Deadline date for receipt of evidence supporting requests for special arrangements.
16 July 2025	Test centre letters should be received by parents.
AUTUMN TERM	LOCAL AUTHORITIES DISTRIBUTE INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR APPLICATION PROCESS.
20 September 2025	SATURDAY MAIN 11+ DAY
30 September 2025	TUESDAY TEST DAY for religious, illness or exceptional circumstances only.
13 October 2025	Results will be emailed to all candidates after the close of business.
31 October 2025	Published closing date for the receipt of applications to Local Authorities.
1 March 2026	NATIONAL OFFER DATE



JUNIOR SCHOOL MOTHER'S DAY GIFT SHOP

Dear Parents and Carers

The JSA will be organising a stall of Mother's Day Gifts so the children can buy a gift for their Mum or another special lady.

There will be a selection of different gifts so the children will have a choice of which to buy.

All gifts will cost £3.50 each and will be gift wrapped.

The shop will be run on Friday 28th March during the school day. The children will be sent through to the gift shop with their class to choose their gift/s, which they will bring home at the end of the day.

To place an order for your child's gift/s please visit the below website **by Friday 14th March**, add the number of gifts required to the basket and then simply checkout. Ordering by this date ensures time for all gifts to be bought by the JSA prior to the event.

www.pta-events.co.uk/hpsajsa

If you have any issues or queries, please contact the JSA via our Facebook Page or email address instead of the school office.

www.facebook.com/groups/jsahatpev or standrewsjsa@gmail.com

All proceeds will go directly to the Junior School Association in support of the school.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.

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Free holiday clubs, fun activities and food
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- ✓ Sports and games, arts and crafts, cooking and so much more!
- ✓ Nutritious snacks and tasty meals
- ✓ Run by qualified, local club providers
- ✓ Family support, resources and guidance
- ✓ Discretionary paid and paid for spaces

WHAT IS ESSEX ACTIVATE?

Essex ActivAte is the name for the exciting activity clubs run by Active Essex! During school holidays, local club providers across the county deliver free holiday clubs and fun activities to get eligible primary and secondary children active, as well as support young people to make friendships and learn new skills, helping to enhance their wellbeing.

Please only book your child/ren a space at an Essex ActivAte club if they will attend. If they are booked on and do not attend, other children may miss out on this beneficial opportunity across the holidays.

www.activeessex.org



@EssexActivAte

SCAN ME



MY CHILD IS ELIGIBLE OR RECEIVES INCOME RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS

YES

Head into your emails, search for **HolidayActivities** and log in to redeem the green voucher code. If you haven't used a voucher before, you will need to create an account.

You will receive one code, per child, each holiday. If you have not received your voucher code, please **contact the school** your child attends who will provide it to you.

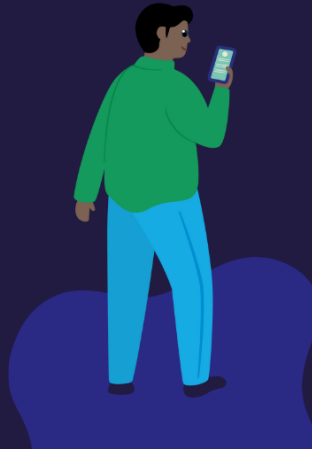
If you have any questions, please contact the HolidayActivities team on: support@evouchers.com

NO

Limited spaces are available for children from 'low-income' households, who may be vulnerable and/or experience inactivity and social isolation without access to this free support.

To book your child/ren onto a local club, you will not receive a HolidayActivities voucher code, and you will need to submit a completed referral form from a local service that supports your family or child/ren, or in some instances, you may be able to self refer.

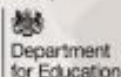
If you are unsure or have any questions, contact the HAF lead for your local area or email: haf@activeessex.org



Join Our Easter Holiday Club!



Funded by



Wellbeing - Art - Wood Craft - Food Technology

Fun activities on four exciting dates!

Monday 7th April 2025
 Tuesday 8th April 2025
 Monday 14th April 2025
 Tuesday 15th April 2025



Online booking available at www.happyhealthyminds.co.uk

Menu

Day	Main Meal	Desert
7th April 2025	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of filling tuna, beans or cheese a side of salad	Fruit skewers with low-fat yoghurt for dipping
8th April 2025	Whole-wheat tomato pasta with garlic bread and a mixed salad	Organic yoghurt topped with fresh berries
14th April 2025	Wholemeal chicken wraps with lettuce and cucumber with brown rice or cous cous optional yoghurt based dressing or hummus	Strawberries and cream
15th April 2025	Wholemeal pitta pizzas with a choice of healthy toppings served with a salad	Oat-based cookies

A daily cold option of ham or cheese baguette is available.

Timetable

09:00	Welcome and Team Building Activity
09:30	Workshop 1
10:30	Snack
10:45	Workshop 2
11:45	Lunch
12:15	Wellness Walk
12:45	Mindfulness Time
13:00	Collection

1A Church Street Maldon CM95HW

The Easter Holidays are fast approaching and Essex Highways have various Bikeability, including beginner 'Learn to Ride', courses available. Courses are being held in Braintree, Colchester, Harlow and Witham.

<https://essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking>

HOLIDAY COURSES

Bikeability Level 1, Level 1 & 2 and 3 and Learn to ride courses

To book, please visit link
essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking

There is a £15 non-refundable booking fee

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The Power of Influencers
The Impact of the Internet on Mental Health
Child Exploitation as young as **KS1**
How Gangs utilise the internet
Online Challenges & Safeguarding Children
The 2 Johns Communication model
This is a certified CPD Course

Friday 9th May 2025 from 09:15 to 15:30

The Toby Cavery, Basildon Essex. SS14 3WB

The cost is £160 + VAT per delegate and includes all refreshments

To request a booking form please email - booking@esafetytraining.org



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Our Ref: ZA91033

11 March 2025

Dear Mrs Black,

VE Day Art Competition - Deadline 2nd May 2025

Victory in Europe Day is an important occasion in our history, and this year is particularly special as it marks the 80th anniversary of our victory in Europe. During this time, schools will engage in learning and commemorating this significant event. To make the commemoration even more engaging, I am excited to announce a VE Day Art Competition and invite all young artists at your school to participate.

This competition provides pupils with the opportunity to create original artwork inspired by the theme of VE Day – a historic moment of unity, resilience, and celebration. The winner will receive a certificate and some exciting prizes.

How to Participate:

- Entries should be submitted on A4 paper using any medium (e.g., paint, pencil, or collage).
- Each artwork must include the child's name, age, and class on the back.
- Submissions should be sent to my office at *Priti Patel MP, House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA* no later than **Wednesday, 2nd May 2025**.

I encourage all pupils to participate and share their unique perspectives on this crucial historical moment. The winning entry will be selected based on creativity, originality, and how well it reflects the spirit of VE Day. I look forward to seeing the incredible talent within our local schools shine through.

If you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to contact my office at 02072191976 or withammp@parliament.uk.

Thank you for supporting this initiative, and I hope your school will join us in commemorating this significant milestone in such a memorable way.

Yours sincerely,



A family event

e-voice.org.uk/hatpevgardens

SPRING SHOW

SATURDAY 5TH APRIL

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

ALL WELCOME
ADMISSION FREE

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR VILLAGE SHOW
BY ENTERING:-

- COOKERY
- CHILDREN'S CLASSES
- PRESERVES
- FLOWERS
- HANDICRAFTS
- PHOTOGRAPHY
- SPRING BULB COMPETITION

OR JUST BROWSE, ENJOY A CHAT WITH A
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entries to k.bunton@btinternet.com

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*Enjoy a
cuppa &
a cake*

Have a go!