

Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School



NEWSLETTER

9th May 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

A very busy, buzzy week here at St Andrew's. Our year six finished their last week in school before their SATs by learning how to play Quidditch. A perfect start to the weekend for them! We are very proud of all of our year six children. Next week they will be sitting their end of Key stage assessments (SATs). Our aim here is to ensure all children are 'secondary ready' by the time they leave us in July of year six. But no child is measured by their academic ability alone. There are many things that the SATs don't measure, that we all value hugely, and that cannot be measured in a test: compassion, problem solving skills, sporting prowess, team work, musicality, creativity, technical abilities, their love of nature, sense of humour...

I could go on and on!

But, our lovely sixes are ready, this is their time to 'show-off' and shine!



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



Very well done to Hettie who was awarded an 'Outstanding effort' certificate for her entry in a local 80th Celebration of VE competition.

YEAR 6 FAMILIES

A reminder to arrive in school early next week for our special SATS week breakfast club for Year 6 children. Green rec gate will be open at 8.15am.

Do you have any colour magazines...?

If so... Year 4 will need a variety of colour magazines ready for the week after the half term break. If you have any, please send them in with your children.
Thank you.

SCHOOL MEAL PRE-ORDERING

By midnight on WEDNESDAY 14th May – for week beginning 19th May

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

Summer Term 2025 - Diary Dates

Week beginning 12th May: Year 6 SATS

Thursday 15th May: Year 5 Maya Experience Day

Thursday 22nd May: Year 6 Residential Trip Meeting - Parents/Children 3.15pm in school

Monday 26th to Friday 30th May: Half Term Break

Monday 2nd June: Inset Day

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

Friday 13th June: JSA Father's Day Gift Shop (details to follow)

Tuesday 17th June: Sports day (morning) venue tbc

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

Monday 30th June: District Sports at Maltings Academy (selected children)

Tuesday 1st July: Sandon Year 5 Taster Day (await further info from Sandon)

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)

Thursday 10th July: Year 6 Enterprise Event

Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th July: Year 6 Production 1.30pm (tbc)

Thursday 17th July: Year 6 Leavers Party (after school)

Friday 18th July: Year 6 Leavers Picnic with Parents 11.30am

Friday 18th July: last day of term **1pm finish**

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96%	95%	92%	94%

‘Attendance Matters’

Attendance for each year group this week.

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		
Year 3		
Year 4		
Year 5	Maya Experience Day Thursday 15 th May	Friday 2 nd May
Year 6		



**VILLAGE HALL
CAR PARK
CLOSED**

Please be aware that the Village Hall car park will be closed to all vehicles from *Monday 12th May to Friday 23rd May* from 8am until 4pm daily due to construction work on the tennis courts on the recreation ground. The closure will be in effect during weekdays only, weekends will be unaffected.



Newsround transmission - week beginning 12th May

MUGA USE – TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS AFTER SCHOOL

Please note the MUGA will be out of action for play on a Tuesday and Wednesday after school between 3-4pm. It is being used to accommodate after school football clubs whilst the building works continue on the school field. Please ask your children to vacate the MUGA on these days – we thank you in advance for your help.

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.

A couple of items have been added to the Amazon wish lists 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](#)

**PE DAYS SUMMER TERM 2025
(children to wear PE kit on PE days)**

**Red PE top, black shorts/joggers, red sweatshirt or jumper
(no black tops please) and trainers**

Year 3	Monday Wednesday
Year 4	Wednesday Thursday
Year 5	Monday Tuesday
Year 6	Tuesday Friday

We are spotting an increase in children sporting 'double piercings'. Please remember that ear piercings must be restricted to one small stud in each ear. Earrings worn in multiple piercings are not permitted. All earrings need to be removed for PE in line with Essex County Council safety requirements. It is not permissible for earrings to be taped up for PE.



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 – Ruby-Rose

Birch – Layla

Cherry – Eva

Fir – Ellis

Maple – Neil L

Oak – Lee

Rowan – Lollie-Lou

Sycamore – Jessie



Compassion Achievement Respect Enjoyment

Every child is loved and known.

Every child shines.



Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to those who celebrate their birthdays between:
5th to 11th May

**Isla W (Maple), Lola W (Oak), Evie S (Apple), Ernest L (Cherry), Lucas P-B (Cherry),
 Amelia-Rae M (Cherry), Frank C (Maple), Amelia B (Sycamore), Polly V (Birch)**



Winner of House
 Points for this week
 is
PRIORY

Berwicks	478
Greystones	458
Priory	545
Vinehurst	423



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

Spelling Shed 📖

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Vaksleena	Sophie	Delilah	Lucas





SPOTLIGHT ON:



VE Day 2025 '80 Years'



Mrs Maginn shared the story of her uncle and how he was commanding the last operational squadron of Swordfish aircraft, 119 Squadron RAF when he found out about VE day. We got to see a couple of double pages of his pilot's logbook covering VE-Day and the entry he wrote.



What will YOU do?

Are you celebrating with your families or did you already enjoy celebrations at the weekend?

Photos please!

Whole school history challenge: Can you produce a piece of work to celebrate VE day to share in school?

It could be a colouring/drawing or artwork, a fact-file or presentation or a piece of writing (a diary, letter or narrative). Or something else!

Please send any entries BY NEXT FRIDAY (16th May) to the normal year group emails and teachers will forward them to me!

Good Luck - I can't wait to see what I receive!

Watch out in future Newsletters!

Yesterday, (Thursday 8th May) saw the celebration of the 80th VE day which stands for 'Victory In Europe'. To celebrate peace and freedom, and to reflect and remember the past, the children have all learnt about World War Two and its significance, as well as celebrations which were held on that day and for years to come. At St. Andrew's, we tuned into 'Mr Dilly's VE Day' live stream event where we learnt about VE day from the perspectives of different people involved, from soldiers to evacuated children. We also found out about the Blitz, Anderson shelters and the blackout from the perspective of a warden.

The children really enjoyed the video and were keen to share their family stories too as well as sharing how they have/are celebrating at home. We are very proud of how they all showed compassion for people during the War and respect for those who gave their lives. I think, most importantly, that the next generation must not forget what the Wars meant and how we learnt from them.

Miss Delf



SPOTLIGHT ON:



Y3 Summer Term: Our Amazing Planet!

We are so excited to be beginning our new Summer unit all about our amazing planet and nature.

The children have begun the Summer Term by learning all about bees: the different species, their decline through the environment and how we can support them.

Alongside this, we are writing non-chronological reports on bees and will be writing a persuasive piece to encourage others to 'save our bees' next.

In Art, we have been improving our drawing skills. This week the children created rubbings on different textures to create an artistic flower. We loved this!

The children have already been bringing in some amazing homework. We can't wait to see some more!



Did you know?

Bees have pollinated one in three of the spoonfuls you eat - Sylvie

Climate change has affected bee's habitats - Eleftheria





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



Year 3 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Tedd H	3,608
2 nd	James B	2,780
3 rd	Jasmine S	1,640



Year 4 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Cameron G	20,130
2 nd	James S	8,960
3 rd	Lara P	4,294



Year 5 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Elliott G	6,626
2 nd	Delilah P	6,318
3 rd	Neil R	5,779



Year 6 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Lucas B	15,240
2 nd	Henry P	11,160
3 rd	Henry W	1,880



Minaya's family wanted to share some exciting news regarding her recent music achievements.

*Minaya recently sat her **ABRSM Grade 4 Music Theory** exam and the **Trinity Grade 4 Harp** exam. They are absolutely delighted to share that she passed both with high Distinctions.*

She scored 73/75 in Music Theory and 94/100 in the Harp exam.

Her family are incredibly proud of her hard work and dedication. They are truly thrilled with these results and wanted to take a moment to celebrate this milestone with the school.

Minaya... what incredible scores! We are very proud of you here in school too – well done.



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


Please ensure you have PRE-ORDERED via ParentPay

Meals are £2.60 daily

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



Week One Menu
Week beginning 21st April, 12th May



SUMMER 2025 - LUNCH MENU
Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School

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

JACKET POTATOES WITH CHEESE (v), BEANS (ve) OR TUNA SERVED WITH SALAD AND DESSERT OF THE DAY
or

SCHOOL PACKED LUNCH: HAM, CHEESE (v) OR TUNA ROLL WITH CARROT AND CUCUMBER STICKS (ve), FRUIT, JUICE CARTON (ve) AND DESSERT OF THE DAY

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Week Two Menu
Week beginning 28th April, 19th May



SUMMER 2025 - LUNCH MENU
Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pork Sausages or Quorn Sausages (ve)	Beef Meat Balls or Plant Based Balls (ve)	Pasta Spirals with Bechamel Sauce (v)	All Day Breakfast With Sausage & Bacon or Quorn Sausages (ve)	Bubble Fish or 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)

JACKET POTATOES WITH CHEESE (v), BEANS (ve) OR TUNA SERVED WITH SALAD AND DESSERT OF THE DAY
or

SCHOOL PACKED LUNCH: HAM, CHEESE (v) OR TUNA ROLL WITH CARROT AND CUCUMBER STICKS (ve), FRUIT, JUICE CARTON (ve) AND DESSERT OF THE DAY

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SUMMER TERM 2025 - SCHOOL MEAL MENUS (week 3)

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Meals are £2.60 daily

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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)

JACKET POTATOES WITH CHEESE (v), BEANS (ve) OR TUNA SERVED WITH SALAD AND DESSERT OF THE DAY

or

SCHOOL PACKED LUNCH: HAM, CHEESE (v) OR TUNA ROLL WITH CARROT AND CUCUMBER STICKS (ve), FRUIT, JUICE CARTON (ve) AND DESSERT OF THE DAY

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

Calling all pet lovers



Join our Paws to Draw competition for all ages and help raise awareness of homeless pets



Brandy -
Burford rehoming centre

1. Be inspired by a Blue Cross pet
2. Get creative!
3. Send your drawing to us

The winning drawing will feature in the national press!



To find out more and enter, visit bluecross.org.uk/PawsToDraw