



# NEWSLETTER

## 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

A super hot week, one where we are all very grateful to NOT be back in the old school!! The air conditioning units have ensured that the children are learning in lovely, cool classrooms and we are (on this occasion) grateful for the situation we find ourselves in!

On Wednesday evening we were thoroughly spoiled. The Governing Board and staff met to celebrate our Ofsted report and the amazing outcomes. We were joined by some old staff (Mr James, Mrs Pettifer and Mrs Walton) who were all special members of the St Andrew's family.

As a school, we had been nominated for the Primary school 'Who makes a difference' and 'Headteacher' of the year at the Essex teaching awards. Some of us hot-footed it from one party to another in order to attend (on the whole school's behalf) the awards event at Hylands House.

It was a lovely event and we were thrilled to be Highly Commended in both categories. Being nominated by our lovely families has been the most special part of the process. A huge thank you to those of you who took the time to complete the form and nominate us.



Have a lovely weekend  
Mrs Black and the St Andrew's team.

### SUPERVISION AT THE RECREATION GROUND

Please do be mindful that ensuring children are supervised before and after school is the best way for all children to safely enjoy this free time.

We are aware of some issues with physical behaviours and unkind words- please do monitor your child's interactions.

### SCHOOL MEAL PRE-ORDERING

By midnight on WEDNESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> June – for week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> June

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

## Summer Term 2025 - Diary Dates

Week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> June: Year 6-7 Transition Week

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June: District Sports at Maltings Academy (selected children)

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July: Sandon Year 5 Taster Day (optional)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Maltings Year 5 Taster Day (whole cohort - parents to transport)

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July: GBHS Year 5 Taster Day (whole cohort - GBHS to transport)

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July: JSA Summer Rainbow Raffle Draw

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July: Y5 Parent Meeting (children welcome) 3pm (2026 residential)

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July: Year 6 Enterprise Event

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

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July: Summer Disco (Year 3, 4 & 5 only)

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July: Year 6 Leavers Party (after school)

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July: Year 6 Leavers Picnic with Parents 11.30am

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July: last day of term **1pm finish**

## **Autumn Term 2025**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025 - planned inset day

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025 - additional inset day

**School returns- WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER**

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		
Year 6		



**We will NOT be holding an open evening this summer on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July (when HPINS hold their open evening). This is because the school will be in the process of packing for the summer move.**

**We will be welcoming you into our new school in September to look around instead! We have been granted an EXTRA INSET day on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September due to the school move.**

### **CYCLE HELMETS**

If your child is riding either a bicycle or scooter to school, can you please ensure they are wearing a suitable helmet. It is school protocol and imperative for their safety.

### **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](#)

<b>PE DAYS SUMMER TERM 2025 (children to wear PE kit on PE days)</b>	
<b>Red PE top, black shorts/joggers, red sweatshirt or jumper (no black tops please) and trainers</b>	
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Monday Wednesday</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Wednesday Thursday</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Monday Tuesday</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Tuesday Friday</b>



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 – Willow**  
**Birch – Layla**  
**Cherry – Marie**  
**Fir – Cameron**  
**Maple – Ella**  
**Oak – Amelia**  
**Rowan – Alma**  
**Sycamore – Lucas B**



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

# SPOTLIGHT ON:

## Year 4 Maldon Trip



We had a wonderful trip to Maldon on Tuesday 10th June to learn more about the Anglo-Saxons and why the Prophet Muhammad is considered the 'Seal of the Prophets'.



We started the day by visiting the statue of the Saxon Lord Byrhtnoth at the end of Promenade Park, as well as visiting the Heritage Centre to study the incredible embroidery of the Battle of Maldon. We even found out some previously unknown facts! We also learnt about the importance of oral history and considered why it is sometimes unreliable.



After a lovely lunch in the park and a chance to run around, we all headed to the Maldon Mosque to learn more about the Prophet Muhammed. While there, we were unexpectedly able to witness a prayer session before having a tour of the building and taking part in a question and answer session. Most of the children were incredibly inquisitive, sensitive and respectful and really wowed the Imam!



Despite a lot of walking and some sore and tired legs, everyone had a wonderful time and did St Andrew's proud!





# SPOTLIGHT ON:

## SPORT'S DAY AT HATFIELD PLACE

Tuesday was a beautifully sunny, whole-school trip back to Hatfield Place for our Sport's Day. It was a fantastic morning of fun, sporting achievements, new experiences and challenges.

It was also the culmination of days and days worth of work and effort on behalf of our PE lead Mrs Spilling. She did a fantastic job of leading everyone to ensure it was a faultless and smooth-running event. The entire staff-team were and remain exhausted; but seeing the children enjoying themselves so much made it all worthwhile.

It was lovely to receive such positive feedback from many of you I spoke to. Mrs Spilling and I were very pleased that some of the 'old-school' sporting events were so well received by parent and pupils alike. The joy on the children's faces during the sack-race and the three-legged races was just heart-warming!

We hope to be able to return to Hatfield Place again next year, I like to think that the cows had really missed us!





Let Your  
Light Shine  
Matthew 5:16



SPOTLIGHT  
ON:



# Winners of Sprint Races 2025





**SPOTLIGHT ON:**



**The Winning House  
for Sport's Day 2025  
is  
VINEHURST**



**VINEHURST** 15,823 points

**GREYSTONES** 14,793 points

**PRIORY** 13,290 points

**BERWICKS** 13,192 points





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

16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> June

**Marie P (Cherry), Jessie R (Sycamore),**

**Miss Bonich, Miss O'Connor**



Winner of House  
Points for this week  
is

**GREYSTONES**

<b>Berwicks</b>	<b>360</b>
<b>Greystones</b>	<b>489</b>
<b>Priory</b>	<b>320</b>
<b>Vinehurst</b>	<b>388</b>



If you want to see more from Charlie Mackesy please follow

<https://www.charliemackesy.com/>





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>	Amelie S	2,310
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Everly L	2,160
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jasmine S	1,850



### Year 4 MOST PLAYED

1 <sup>st</sup>	Logan S	18,416
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cameron G	18,052
3 <sup>rd</sup>	James S	7,860



### Year 5 MOST PLAYED

1 <sup>st</sup>	Elliott G	10,060
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Delilah P	9,652
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Eliza G	7,245



### Year 6 MOST PLAYED

1 <sup>st</sup>	Lucas B	15,230
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jessie R	526
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Charlie N	240



*Shining at Home*



*Shining at Home*



# SUMMER TERM 2025 - SCHOOL MEAL MENUS

**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.

<p><b>Week One Menu</b> Week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 14<sup>th</sup> July</p>	<p><b>SUMMER 2025 - LUNCH MENU</b> Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School</p>
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pepperoni Pizza or Cheese Pizza (v)  Garlic Bread (v) Salad (ve)  Fruit Selection (ve) or Yoghurt Selection (v)	Beef Burger in a Bun or Quorn Burger in a Bun (ve)  French Fries (ve) Baked Beans (ve)  Fruit Lolly (ve)	Tomato Pasta Bake (ve)  Chunky Crusty Bread (ve) Broccoli (ve)  Fruit Cocktail & Sliced Peaches (ve)	Roast Chicken Breast or Quorn Fillet (ve)  Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Stuffing (ve) Carrots & Green Beans (ve) Gravy (ve)  Smoothies (ve)	Fish Fingers or Vegetable Fingers (ve)  Chunky Chips (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Peas (ve)  Carrot Cake (v)
<p>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</p>				
<p><b>Thank you for supporting us by having a school meal. Please be assured for your peace of mind - all allergens are catered for.</b></p>				

<p><b>Week Two Menu</b> Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> June, 30<sup>th</sup> June</p>	<p><b>SUMMER 2025 - LUNCH MENU</b> Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School</p>
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pork Sausages or Quorn Sausages (ve)  Mash (ve) Baked Beans & Peas (ve) Gravy (ve)  Frozen Yoghurts (v)	Beef Meat Balls or Plant Based Balls (ve)  Rustic Tomato Sauce (ve) Spaghetti (ve) Cheese (v)  Chocolate Cake (v)	Pasta Spirals with Bechamel Sauce (v)  Grated Cheese (v) Garlic Bread (v) Sweetcorn (ve)  Apple, Banana, Satsuma (ve) or Yoghurt (v)	All Day Breakfast With Sausage & Bacon or Quorn Sausages (ve)  Hash Brown (v) Baked Beans (ve) Scrambled Egg (v) Mushrooms (ve) Tomatoes (ve)  Fruit Cocktail & Sliced Peaches (ve)	Bubble Fish or Quorn Nuggets (ve)  Potato Wedges (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Peas (ve)  Ice Cream (v) & Chocolate Sauce (ve)
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**Week Three Menu**  
Week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> June, 7<sup>th</sup> July



**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)
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 end of term and will only be charged to ParentPay once the meal has been taken.



**St Andrew's  
Junior School**

**Presents:**

# **SUMMER DISCO**

**Kick off summer with a bang at our  
spectacular summer DISCO  
Live DJ playing your favourite tracks!**

**WEDNESDAY 16 JULY 2025  
15.00 TILL 16.00**

**YEAR GROUPS 3,4 & 5**

**Get your tickets now on the JSA  
Events page**

**<https://www.pta-events.com/hpsajsa>**

**Bring some cash for sweets!**



Dear Parent / Carer

Your child is invited to sign up for this year's [Summer Reading Challenge](#). Sign up for FREE at your local library!

## What is the Summer Reading Challenge?

The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children to keep reading during the school summer holidays – and to enjoy reading anything they like! All children are invited to read books and/or complete reading-related activities, and collect rewards. It's completely FREE to take part.

It is an amazing way to boost children's confidence – last year 72% of children taking part felt more confident reading.

## Why should my child sign up?

- They will be **better prepared to return to school** in the autumn.
- The Challenge **supports the move into a new year group**.
- Becoming more independent in their reading boosts children's **confidence and self-esteem**.
- The library provides **free access** to books and fun family activities all through the summer.
- Library staff are on hand to offer support and book recommendations.

Your child will be part of a UK-wide programme developed by [The Reading Agency](#) and delivered in partnership with the [public library network](#).

## How can my child take part? (Library OR online)

**In the library.** Visit your [local library](#) and sign up. Your child will:

- Aim to borrow and read six books (any combination of books, eBooks and audiobooks) and/or complete a range of reading-related activities.
- Receive a Challenge folder and collect special stickers and rewards for reading.

OR

If you can't get to the library, take part in the **Online challenge** at: [summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)

- Sign up on the [official Challenge website](#).
- Set a reading goal and get book recommendations and tips.
- Unlock digital badges and online rewards, including a printable certificate.

## When?

Throughout the summer holidays from 19 July to 6 September. Unsure where your closest library is? Use the Essex Library Service [website](#) to check.

Head to your local library this summer and sign up! If you have any questions, please ask staff in the library.

We look forward to seeing you!

Best wishes

Essex Library Service

## Want to know more?

- Find out more about the importance of reading and its impact on children's success [here](#).
- Visit the [official Summer Reading Challenge website](#) for free activities, videos, book recommendations and more.

Keep up-to-date! Follow @EssexLibraries on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [X](#).

## What do families think?

"I never liked reading before because of this challenge I got the **courage** to read more books and I have more interest in books. This has been the **greatest experience** ever in my life to read more books than before thanks."

"My daughter has **moved up a reading level** at school thanks to the Summer Reading Challenge!"

"As a mother of a five-year-old boy I am so happy and thankful for this free summer reading challenge. My boy was putting in effort to read the books so that he will be rewarded with a medal and certificate at the end of the reading challenge. This has **motivated** him to get reading and he was so **excited** to read more."

"My children are reluctant to read during school holidays but the structured Summer Reading Challenge helps **overcome their reluctance**."

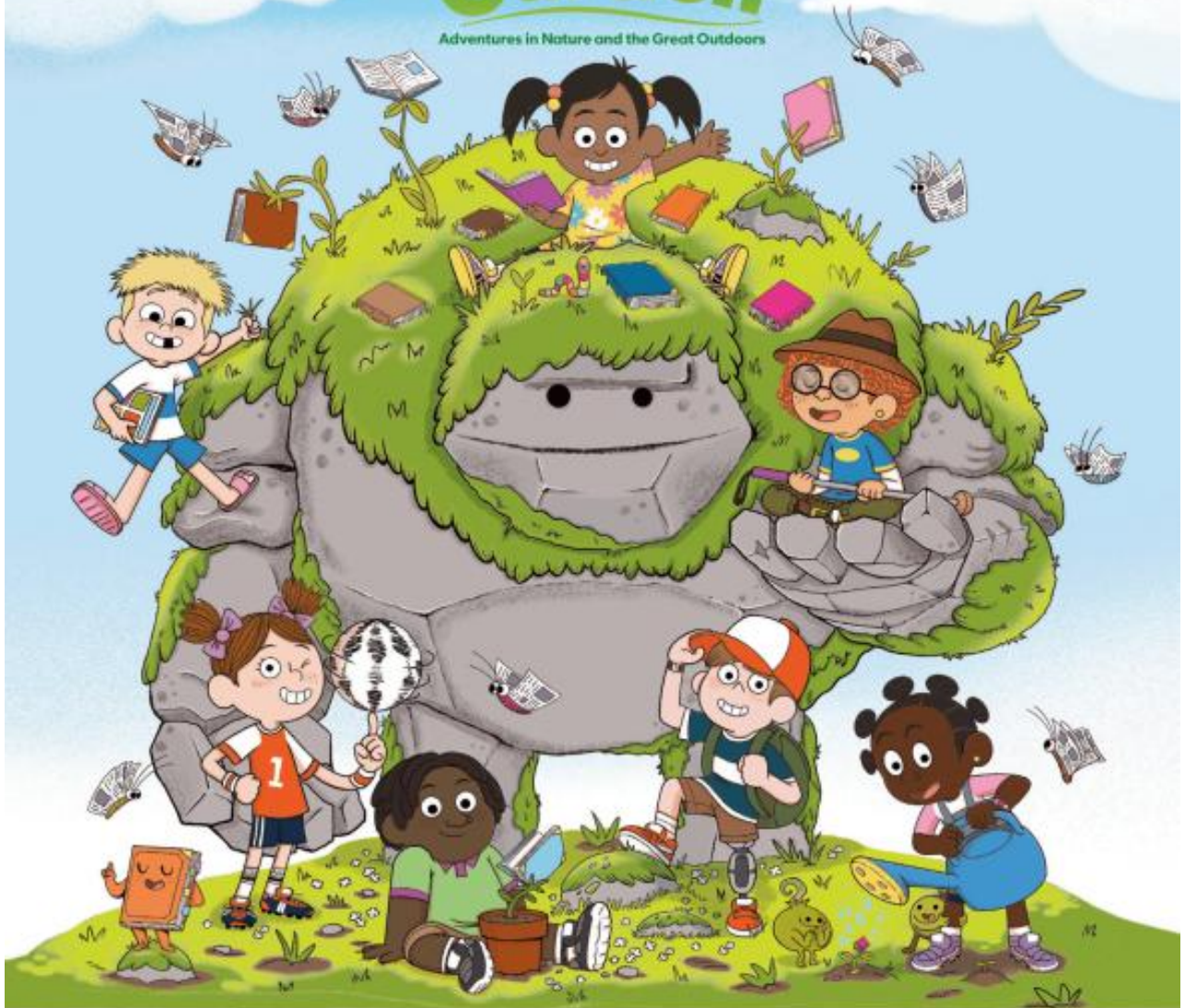
"We have taken part for the last 10 years with all of my children. It's almost a tradition to do it. **Staff were brilliant** with my autistic child."

Delivered in partnership with libraries

2025

# Story Garden

Adventures in Nature and the Great Outdoors



[summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)

**Saturday 19 July to Saturday 6 September**

**At your local Essex library or mobile library -  
see [libraries.essex.gov.uk](https://libraries.essex.gov.uk) for library opening times**



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