



Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School



NEWSLETTER

5th December 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas has come to St Andrew's!

We have a beautiful tree in the hall; this is a generous donation from UPSONS FARM SHOP and it looks so lovely in our new hall.

As you may have spotted our playground repairs have been completed; when the final contractors are off site we will be able to use the bigger space once more.

Next week there will be a JSA 'LUCKY TICKET' competition for the children- there are 4 hampers the children would win. Year Six will be selling the tickets at break time. The four 'lucky tickets' will be drawn in the Church on Friday 19th December.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Black and the St Andrew's team.



END OF TERM SHINE TREATS

Year 3	Thursday 18 th December	Movie (nothing needed from home)
Year 4	Thursday 18 th December	Movie (nothing needed from home)
Year 5	Wednesday 17 th December	TBC (nothing needed from home)
Year 6	Thursday 18 th December	Movie (War Horse – PG) please email Year 6 if you would rather your child did not watch this film (nothing needed from home) year6@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk



HUGE THANKS to everyone who contributed to the amazing JSA Christmas Bazaar on Wednesday ; particularly to Mrs Pirie and Miss Beech who have been working so hard on it for months. **We all raised more than £2,000!!!**

Please ensure you have booked your child's Christmas Dinner by Wednesday 10th December – no late orders will be accepted beyond this date. No meals can be ordered on the day.

SCHOOL MEAL PRE-ORDERING

By midnight on WEDNESDAY 10th December – for week beginning 15th December

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



SPOTLIGHT ON:

I ROCK CONCERT



The children who take part in 'I Rock' lessons performed in their end of term concert this week. They were fantastic! So brave to be performing live in front of the whole school and their parents. The children in the audience REALLY enjoyed their performances! WELL DONE!



SPOTLIGHT ON:

YEAR 3 STONE AGE ASSEMBLY



The children in year three took part in a wonderful Stone age to Iron Age assembly. They had learnt so much and sung some great songs with such enthusiasm. I was very impressed with their lovely loud voices. Well done to all involved!



Autumn Term 2025 - Diary Dates

Wednesday 10th December: 9.30am Y4 Christmas Production

Thursday 11th December: 9.30am Y4 Christmas Production

Thursday 11th December: Whole School Panto - Snow White

Wednesday 17th December: JSA Christmas Disco (party clothes)

Thursday 18th December: Christmas Dinner

Friday 19th December: Christmas Carol Service - St. Andrew's Church 11:00-12:00

12pm Church collection, 1pm School collection (Google form to follow)

Monday 5th January 2026: children back to school



KEY DATES FOR CHRISTMAS



DATE	EVENT	TIME	EXTRA INFORMATION
8 TH DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS CARDS CAN BE BROUGHT INTO SCHOOL FROM THIS DATE		These will be shared amongst the children on the last week of term.
10 TH DECEMBER	YEAR 4 CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION	9:30-10:30	2 tickets per family – no booking required.
11 TH DECEMBER	YEAR 4 CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION	9:30-10:30	2 tickets per family – no booking required.
11 TH DECEMBER	PANTOMIME	DURING SCHOOL DAY	A lovely treat from the JSA
17 TH DECEMBER	JSA CHRISTMAS DISCO PARTY CLOTHES ALL DAY	YR 3 and 4 from 3-4PM YR 5 and 6 from 4-5PM	Tickets available from JSA events
18 TH DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS DINNER	DURING SCHOOL DAY	Please order via ParentPay by Wednesday 10th December!
19 TH DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE	11:00-12:00 at St Andrew's Church	Parents welcome You can collect from church at 12 or school at 1:00 (Google form to follow in December!)

HEALTHIER SCHOOLS AND MAINTAINING HIGH ATTENDANCE THROUGHOUT THE WINTER MONTHS

As we move further into the term, please see key guidance below to help manage seasonal illnesses and keep pupils and staff well.

[Education Hub Blog](#) a helpful blog for parents and staff.

[NHS Guidance for Parents](#) is my child too ill for school – a useful resource to help parents decide when children should stay at home.

[Preventing and Controlling Infections Guidance](#) includes advice on vaccination, ventilation and good respiratory hygiene.

[A-Z of managing Infectious Diseases](#) practical guidance on managing specific illnesses.

• **FAMILIES WITH YEAR 2 CHILDREN** *

Year 2-3 admissions for September 2026

As you may be aware, parents of current Year 2 children at an infant school need to make a formal application to the Council for a junior school (Year 3) place and can do so via the website www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

The junior admission round opened on **10 November 2025**, for parents of children in Year 2 at an infant school to apply for a junior school (Year 3) place for September 2026.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2026**.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

All of the application information is available on the website above.



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 – Harry W
Birch – Isaac
Cherry – Harry
Fir – Logan
Maple – Rafferty
Oak – Marie
Rowan – Jesse
Sycamore – Joshua



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



PE DAYS AUTUMN 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 Thursday

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.

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](#)

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for response
All Years	SCS After School Clubs	
Year 3		
Year 4		
Year 5		
Year 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hilltop letter and forms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final payment now due. Consent and dietary forms to be returned to office urgently.



Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to those who celebrate their birthdays between:
1st to 7th December 2025

Woody J-B (Oak), George F (Sycamore),

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99%	97%	98%	95%

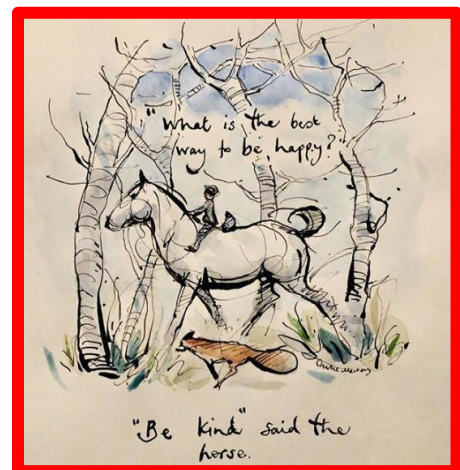
'Attendance Matters'
Attendance for each year group this week.

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.



Winner of House Points for this week is
BERWICKS

Berwicks	299
Greystones	280
Priory	256
Vinehurst	250



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 st	Reuben B-R	5,764
2 nd	Theo C	4,184
3 rd	George L	1,709



Year 4 MOST PLAYED

1 st	James B	4,960
2 nd	Ralph A	2,816
3 rd	Vaksleena V	2,773



Year 5 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Olivia C	7,821
2 nd	Jenelle J	3,577
3 rd	Theodore J	3,540



Year 6 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Frank C	10,940
2 nd	Delilah P	4,703
3 rd	Reggie B-T	3,015





THE DEADLINE FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER PRE-ORDERS IS WEDNESDAY 10th DECEMBER VIA PARENTPAY. NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AND CHILDREN CANNOT ORDER IN CLASS ON THE DAY.



Christmas Dinner £3.20

Thursday 18th December 2025

*Christmas meals must be pre-ordered by
Wednesday 10th December via ParentPay*

No late meals will be permitted and children CANNOT order in class on the day

Roast Turkey & Chipolatas

or

Roast Quorn Fillet (v/ve)

Crispy Roast Potatoes (v/ve)

Stuffing Ball (v/ve)

Carrots & Sweetcorn (v/ve)

Gravy (v/ve)

Christmas Cupcake (v)

Cracker

AUTUMN/WINTER 2025/26 - SCHOOL MEAL MENUS

Please ensure you have PRE-ORDERED via ParentPay

Meals are £2.70 daily

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



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Tomato Pasta Bake (v) or Creamy Macaroni Cheese (v) Baguette Slice (v) Diced Carrots (ve) Sweetcorn (ve) Fruit Wedge (ve)	Sweet and Sour Chicken or Veggie Nuggets (v) White Rice (ve) Peas (ve) Jelly (v)	Mighty Mince with a Puff Pastry Top or 5 Bean Mild Chilli with a Pastry Top (ve) Mashed Potato (v) Broccoli (ve) Gravy (optional) Strawberry Fruit Whip (v)	Baked Sausages or Veggie Sausages (ve) Roast Potatoes (ve) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (optional) Jam Crumble Slice (v)	Fish Fingers or Vegetable Fingers (ve) Chips (ve) Sweetcorn (ve) Biscuit (v)
JACKET POTATOES WITH CHEESE (v), BEANS (ve) OR TUNA SERVED WITH VEG 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				
Thank you for supporting us by having a school meal. Please be assured for your peace of mind - all allergens are catered for.				



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pepperoni Pizza or Margherita Pizza (v) Sweetcorn (ve) Pasta Salad (v) Fruit Salad (ve)	Hot Doggidy Dog or Veggie Doggidy Dog (v) White Rice (ve) Broccoli (ve) Crumble & Custard (v)	Meatballs & Tomato Pasta or Veggie Balls & Tomato Pasta (ve) Garlic Bread (v) Sweetcorn and Pepper Salad (ve) Jelly (v)	Roast Chicken or Roasted Herby Fillet (ve) Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Stuffing (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (optional) Shortbread (v)	Harry Ramsden Fish or Crispy Dipper (ve) Chips (ve) Peas (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Chocolate Cake (v)
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Crispy Pizza Whirl (v)	Creamy Bacon Carbonara	Mild Chilli Con Carne	Roast Chicken	Fish Fingers
	or	or	or	or
	'No Bacon' Creamy Carbonara (v)	5 Bean Mild Chilli (ve)	Baked Fillet (ve)	Veggie Fingers (ve)
½ Jacket Potato (ve) Baked Beans (ve)	Fresh Bread (v) Broccoli (ve)	White Rice (ve) Tortillas (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve)	Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Stuffing (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (optional)	Chips (ve) Peas (ve) Sweetcorn (ve)
Yogurt (v)	Chocolate Crispie Cake (v)	Flapjack (v)	Apple Crumble & Custard (v)	School Cake with Icing & Sprinkles (v)
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Meals can be pre-ordered up to the Christmas break and will only be charged to ParentPay once the meal has been taken.

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There are spaces in bands at your school



iRock

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Spaces in iRock bands are available to join now - secure their spot and join the fun!

What is iRock? At iRock, children experience the thrill of being in a band! Led by our passionate and professional Band Coaches, our weekly in-school band sessions are open to all pupils from Reception to Year 6.

Music for all. iRock aims to create a welcoming and inclusive environment where every child feels they belong. Each week, children develop their musical skills, confidence, and teamwork as they work towards exam-free music qualifications; celebrating progress without the pressure of formal exams.

Feel like a rockstar! The excitement culminates every term in a live concert where children perform as a band for their families and peers. These performances are more than just a showcase; they're an opportunity for children to build self-esteem, enhance their confidence, and experience the joy of accomplishment.

iRock isn't just about music. It's about helping children thrive cognitively, socially, and academically through the power of music.

Key information:

- Hassle-free, rolling **monthly subscription** of £44.49 (no payment taken in July)
- **First lesson money-back guarantee** (and you can cancel at anytime)
- **No experience needed** and all instruments are provided
- Parents/guardians can access our **online portal** for updates, pictures and videos

Head to [our website](#) to check availability and start your child's iRock journey!

Joshua Franklin
Founder
iRock School of Music

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SCS CHRISTMAS

WITHAM FOOTBALL CAMP

Witham Town FC, Spa Road, Witham, CM8 1UN

1 Day Camp

Tuesday 23rd December

- 10 am - 1 pm > Age 4-5 years > £20 per day
- 10 am - 3 pm > Age 6-12 years > £25 per day



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Boys and girls welcome. Packed lunch and drinks bottle required

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



www.scssports.co.uk





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Ages 4 - 14

School Holiday Activity Camp

22nd & 23rd December

St. Michael's Primary School, Maple Avenue, Braintree CM7 2NS



If your child receives benefits-related Free School Meals, your child can attend Camp 4 Champs for free using your vouchers! Spaces are limited!

camp4champs.co.uk



Need help? Email: bookings@camp4champs.co.uk



What's on this Christmas in Mid Essex?

(Chelmsford, Braintree, Maldon Districts and
South Woodham Ferrers).



Enlightened Christmas Light Trail at Hylands House

Enlightened returns to Hylands Estate with new
longer route and even more magical lighting!

To book visit:

<https://www.enlightenedmoments.co.uk/book/hylands-2021/>

Christmas at Riverside Ice Rink

Get into the festive spirit and ice skate around
Riverside magical Christmas winter wonderland ice
rink.

To book visit: <https://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/leisure-centres/online-sports-booking/>

MiLi Club Christmas Activities

MiLi Club have a range of activities this Christmas,
from 10am to 4pm. Each session is £40 (includes
Food, Drink and Refreshments):

Tuesday 21st December – Christmas Arts, Crafts &
Bakes.

Wednesday 22nd December – Madison Heights
Bowling & Games

Thursday 23rd December – Christmas Party,
Games and Buffet

To book Email: info@lilyrosedayprovision.co.uk



Horrible Histories Car Panto

Laugh (and boo) at your favourite historical
figures as they figure our Christmas traditions all
from the comfort of your own car.

**Chelmsford City Racecourse on Friday 17th
December at 4:30pm and 7pm**

To book Visit: <https://www.carparkparty.com/>



Essex ActivAte

Essex ActivAte Winter Programme is
running between the 20th & 23rd of
December.

All sessions include an enrichment
activity followed by a nutritious meal.

There are **FREE** places for children in
receipt of free school meals and
another set for JAM families. But other
families can also book places.

To book Visit:

<https://www.activeessex.org/children-young-people/essex-activate/bookings/mid-essex-activate-bookings/>



Father Christmas Experience at Marsh Farm

An Enchanted Adventure awaits that grant
you special access to the north pole with the
help of expert elves!

To book visit:

<https://www.marshfarm.co.uk/events/father-christmas-experience/>



Beauty and the Beast Pantomime

This enchanting pantomime is running from Friday 26th November 2021 until Monday 3rd January 2022 at the Civic Theatre in Chelmsford!

There are options for signed or relaxed performances. Wheelchair and essential companion ticket can also be purchased.

To find out more and book visit:

<https://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/theatres/whats-on/children-and-families/beauty-and-the-beast/>



Essex Wildlife Trust

Essex wildlife trust are have some really nice events going on throughout December for families across the county! Including SEND Sessions.

Find out more:

<https://www.essexwt.org.uk/events>



More to think about...

London Natural History Museum Ice Rink

The Natural history museum Ice Rink have made all their sessions wheelchair accessible! They also offer exclusive skate sessions for wheelchair users and those with additional needs.

They have two more sessions available currently.

Monday 6th December at 3pm

Thursday 6th January at 10am

To find out more and book visit: <https://www.nhm.ac.uk/visit/exhibitions/ice-rink/access.html>

Royal Ballet

The Royal ballet are back performing the Nutcracker at the Royal Opera House in London, there is accessible seating.

They now offer a streaming service where for £16 you can rent a ballet performance and watch from the comfort of your own home. Choose from **Alice's Adventures Under Ground, Giselle, and Macbeth.**

To find out more visit:

<https://stream.roh.org.uk/browse>

Everyman Cinema

Everyman cinema have a range of Christmas viewings from your favourite Christmas films to A live viewing of the Royal Ballet Nutcracker performance!

To find out more visit:

<https://www.everymancinema.com/christmas-at-everyman-season>

Odeon and Cineworld Cinemas

Both Odeon and Cineworld have a range of accessible viewings!

To find out more visit:

Odeon: <https://www.odeon.co.uk>

Cineworld: <https://www.cineworld.co.uk/#/>

