



Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School



NEWSLETTER

17th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome everyone back for the start of the Summer term. With new topics starting in all year groups there is lots of interesting plans afoot!

I have attended the third CEM (Client Engagement Meeting) meeting this week where the contractor was sharing the detailed plans for the new building. I am working very hard to ensure that the spaces, rooms and grounds are suitable for our children.

The meetings are four hours long and very comprehensive/ exhausting!

I am looking forward to being able to share the plans with you soon.

Thank you to Mrs Spilling who took the year 6 team to the High Five matches on Monday. The children displayed fantastic teamwork and sportsmanship.



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



SCHOOL MEAL PRE-ORDERING

By midnight on WEDNESDAY 22nd April – for week beginning 27th April 2026

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

allabout-family.co.uk/essex

Please find the link to the Spring issue of All About Family Essex. Inside you will find useful advice on:

- OFSTED News
- Fitness Advice from Department of Culture, Media & Sport
- NSPCC advice on AI
- New Children's Book Reviews
- St John Ambulance advice on illnesses
- Dietary Advice for Children
- Screentime to Greentime
- Advice on getting your child to read more
- SEND advice
- Adult Education Advice

Plus more....

NEW
CLUBS!

SUMMER TERM SCS AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday Dodgeball (all years)

<https://sportscoachingspecialists.classforkids.io/info/610>

Tuesday Year 5/6 Football

<https://sportscoachingspecialists.classforkids.io/info/652>

Wednesday Year 3/4 Football

<https://sportscoachingspecialists.classforkids.io/info/651>



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DODGEBALL



**YEAR 5&6
FOOTBALL**



**YEAR 3&4
FOOTBALL**

Inspiring Children in Sport

Summer Term 2026 - Diary Dates

Monday 4th May: Bank Holiday
Monday 11th to Thursday 14th May: Y6 SATS
Monday 25th to Friday 29th May: Half Term Break
Monday 1st June: Whole School Inset Day
Friday 5th June: Class Photos
Thursday 11th June: Y4 Trip to Maldon (details to follow)
Friday 12th June: Sports Day
Monday 15th June: District Sports
Monday 22nd to Friday 26th June: Y6 Transition Week
Tuesday 23rd June: Y5 Sandon Taster Day
Thursday 2nd July: Y5 GBHS Taster Day
Thursday 9th July: Joint Celebration Evening with HPINS
Thursday 16th July: Y6 Leavers Party 3.00-4.45pm
Friday 17th July: Y6 Leavers Picnic 11am (parents welcome)
Friday 17th July: Last day of term - 1pm finish

Wednesday 2nd September: Children back to school



High 5

On Tuesday, our fantastic High 5 team had the exciting opportunity to participate in a tournament at Great Baddow High School. Despite having had very little training, the team's positive spirit shone through, and they truly embraced the challenge ahead.

Working seamlessly together, they organised themselves remarkably well when it came changing positions and the direction of play at half time. Their commitment to teamwork and sportsmanship was commendable, making us all proud.

The results were great: they won one game, drew two, and faced two losses, finishing 4th in their pool. A huge well done to Delilah, Elliott, Florence, Isabel, Millie, Noah, and Reece for their hard work and determination!





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 – Noah
Birch – Cai
Cherry – Karson
Fir – Layla
Maple – Lexi
Oak – Henry F
Rowan – Isla W
Sycamore – Isabella A



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



2026 Cycle and Scooters Permission Form

The form for permission to bring cycles or scooters to school is now ready for completion. Please complete the form, agreeing to the terms and conditions, and await a reply from us before allowing your child to bring their bike or scooter to school.

<https://forms.gle/KVcpxFywPXycNKhQ7>

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

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		
Year 3		
Year 4		
Year 5		
Year 6		



Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to those who celebrate their birthdays between:
13th to 19th April 2026

**Jenelle J (Maple), Ronnie W (Sycamore), Aiden P (Fir), Thomas S (Maple),
Jacob O'C (Birch), Hettie W (Oak),**

Mrs Briggs, Mrs Davies,

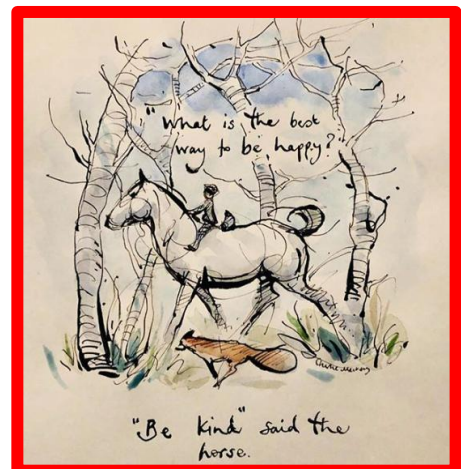
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
92%	97%	91%	94%

'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.



Winner of House
Points for this term
is
PRIORY





A great photo of Florence and Emilia sent in with the following message from their families:

Florence and Emilia completed a 2.5k inflatable course on Saturday, raising a total of £360 for the charity Home-Start UK.

What a fantastic (and fun) thing to do girls. Well done raising such a great amount for Home-Start UK.

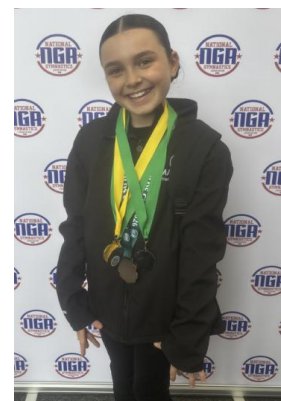




Wonderful news from Lola-Rose's family:-

Lola-Rose recently took part in a Gymnastics competition in the Cotswolds. She won Gold on beam, Silver on Vault and Silver on floor with an amazing 3rd place overall out of 13 competitors! Her family were blown away with how focused and dedicated she has been with her gymnastics and supporting her club.

This is AMAZING Lola-Rose, huge congratulations to you on a very successful competition!





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	3,576
2 nd	Thomas J	2,700
3 rd	Jessica W	2,470



Year 4 MOST PLAYED

1 st	James B	18,040
2 nd	Vaksleena V	5,560
3 rd	William B	2,340



Year 5 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Theodore J	8,460
2 nd	Cameron G	5,070
3 rd	Lara P	2,258



Year 6 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Eliza G	16,630
2 nd	Reggie B-T	1,961
3 rd	Frank C	1,941

SUMMER 2026 - 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.

Week One Menu Weeks beginning 13 th April & 4 th May		SUMMER 2026 - LUNCH MENU Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School		
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Tomato Pasta Bake (v) or Creamy Macaroni Cheese (v) Baguette Slice (v) Salad (ve) Bananas & Custard (v)	Sweet and Sour Chicken or Veggie Nuggets (v) White Rice (ve) Peas (ve) Orange 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) Biscuit (v)	Roast Gammon or Veggie Sausage (ve) Yorkshire Pud (v) Roast Potatoes (ve) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (optional) Fruit Platter (v)	Fish Fingers or Vegetable Fingers (ve) Chips (ve) Baked Beans (ve) School Cake (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.				

Week Two Menu Weeks beginning 20 th April & 11 th May		SUMMER 2026 - LUNCH MENU Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School		
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pepperoni Pizza or Margherita Pizza (v) Carrot & Cucumber Sticks (ve) Fruit Salad (ve)	Sausage or Veggie Sausage (v) Herby Diced Potatoes (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Jelly (v)	Meatballs & Tomato Pasta or Veggie Balls & Tomato Pasta (ve) Garlic Bread (v) Broccoli (ve) Yogurt (v)	Roast Chicken or Roasted Herby Fillet (ve) Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (optional) Arctic Roll (v)	Harry Ramsden Fish or Crispy Dipper (ve) Chips (ve) Peas (ve) Chocolate Cake (v)
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Sausage Roll or Veggie Roll (v)	Mild Chilli Con Carne or 5 Bean Mild Chilli (ve)	Creamy Bacon Carbonara or 'No Bacon' Creamy Carbonara (v)	Roast Chicken or Baked Fillet (ve)	Fish Fingers or Veggie Fingers (ve)
Mash (v) Baked Beans (ve)	White Rice (ve) Tortillas (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve)	Fresh Bread (v) Broccoli (ve)	Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (optional)	Chips (ve) Peas (ve)
Yogurt (v)	Flapjack (v)	Fruit Platter (v)	Vanilla Ice Cream (v)	School Cake with Icing & Sprinkles (v)
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Meals can be pre-ordered up to the May half term break and will only be charged to ParentPay once the meal has been taken.

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- Fungi identification
- Plant and Wildflower Hunt
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- Bat Survey (from 7pm)

● Family Forest Fun! Enjoy drop-in family activities.

**SUNDAY 3RD MAY
7:30AM - 10AM**

See wildlife up close with Bird Ringing & Small Mammal Surveying.



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2026



Sunday 26th Of April

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Applications are now open to join the Royal Ballet and Opera's Youth Opera Programmes.

We are inviting young singers aged 8–11 (on 1 September 2026), living in and around London, to apply to join our **Young Voices** programme and **Youth Opera Company** this September.

Applications close at **midnight on Sunday 10 May**.

Both programmes are **free** and offer an exciting opportunity for young people to develop their singing, performance skills, and confidence.

Young Voices (Ages 8-9)

A six-month singing training programme developing vocal skills and musical understanding and vocal skills, with performance opportunities in showcases at the Royal Opera House.

Youth Opera Company (ages 9–11)

A multi-year programme offering all-round training in the performing arts. Members develop vocal technique, language, stagecraft, musical literacy and creative skills. They also have opportunities to create and perform their own new operas, and to audition for the Children's Chorus, who perform in productions on the Royal Opera House main stage.

Current members say:

"It has been one of the most amazing experiences of my life. Before I joined YOC, I was a bit hesitant about opera, but I now really enjoy it!"

— **2025 Youth Opera Company member**

"YOC is really special because I've met lots of other young people who like singing, like me. I've also loved performing on the Royal Opera main stage in The Magic Flute and in Hansel and Gretel."

— **2026 Youth Opera Company member**

Find out more and apply here: [RBO Youth Opera Programmes](#)

Applications close at midnight on Sunday 10 May. If you have any questions, or run into any issues completing the application form, please do get in touch at youthopera@roh.org.uk.