



Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School



NEWSLETTER

16th October 2026

Dear Parents,

It was lovely watching, and hearing about, the Year Five children enjoy their interactive space day.

The buzz and excitement that they shared having been in the dome and seen the amazing planetarium was so lovely.

If you are wondering why we didn't visit the Science museum or the Greenwich Observatory- spending up to five hours on a coach (if the traffic is bad) really detracts from the enjoyment and the learning.

A perfect family day out in half term though!

Being able to walk to the village hall, with no crowds and enjoy such a bespoke and individualised experience was brilliant. I am sure that if you are a year five parent that your child will have told you all about it!



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



HARVEST FESTIVAL

A reminder that next Friday 23rd October is our whole school Harvest Festival celebration at St. Andrew's Church. Everyone is welcome – 10am.

We are, once again, collecting for the Braintree Foodbank – if you are able to, please send your child with their dried food donation on the day to bring to Church.

Parking Notice – Village Hall MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Please be aware that, due to building works at the Village Hall, there will be a reduction in available parking spaces for a period of four weeks, commencing Monday 19th October.

We kindly ask that, where possible, you consider alternative parking arrangements during this period to help minimise congestion and help keep the limited parking spaces available for staff and Village Hall users.

If you need to use the accessible parking bays, please ensure that a Blue Badge is clearly displayed when parked in these spaces.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation while these works are carried out.

SCHOOL MEAL PRE-ORDERING **Menus to come for after half term**

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

Autumn Term 2026 - Diary Dates

Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th October: Y6 Bikeability Course 4
Tuesday 20th & Wednesday 21st October: Parent Consultation Meetings
Thursday 22nd October: Flu Vaccinations

Friday 23rd October: Harvest Festival 10am (everyone welcome)

Friday 23rd October: JSA Pumpkin Carving Competition

Friday 6th November: JSA Non-Uniform Day (for tombola donations)

Wednesday 11th November - JSA FILM NIGHT

Wednesday 25th November: Y6 WW1 Day (in-school visit)

Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd December: Y4 Production to Parents (am - time TBC)

Friday 4th December: Christingle Service (in school hall)

Wednesday 9th December: JSA Christmas Fayre

Wednesday 16th December: JSA Christmas Disco (details to follow)

Friday 18th December: Christmas Service at St. Andrew's Church 11am (everyone welcome)

Friday 18th December: Last day of term (**1pm finish**)

📅 ** Year 6 Families ** 📅

As you may be aware, the new secondary school admission round opened on 12th September 2026, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2027.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2026.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year.

UPCOMING VISITS & TRIPS

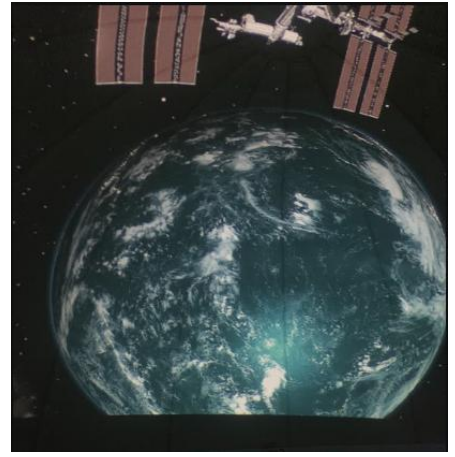
Year 6	- Hilltop residential trip (Monday 25th to Wednesday 27th January 2027). Full payment due by 1st November. - WW1 Day (in-school visit Wednesday 25th November) contributions towards the visit by Monday 16th November please.
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Absence reporting – a reminder that we do not use Studybugs in the Junior School for absence reporting. Please use the following to report your child absent (remembering to state clearly why). Thank you.

☎ 01245 380131 (Voicemail facility)

✉ office@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk

SPOTLIGHT
ON:



Year 5

On Monday, Year 5 had a visit from Mark - a doctor of space! The children went inside a large, blown up planetarium and learnt all about the planets, asteroids and even nebulas! It was so exciting to have space live above our heads.

In the afternoon, the children all created their own rockets and launched them into space! We discussed air-resistance and gravity to learn how they flew. Some went so high, they even landed on the roof!

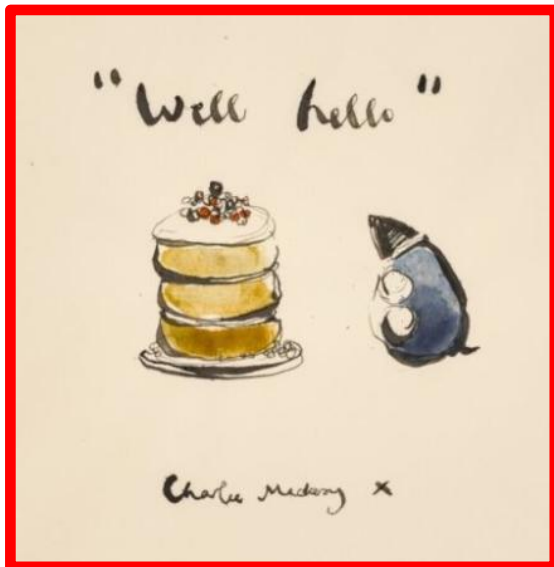




Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to those who celebrate their birthdays between:

12th to 18th October 2026

**Jack A (Sycamore), Scarlet P-S (Apple),
Sophia P-S (Birch), Jessica R (Rowan),
Logan S (Sycamore),**



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



Winner of House
Points for this week
is

**VINEHURST and
GREYSTONES**

Berwicks	3rd
Greystones	1st
Priory	2nd
Vinehurst	1st





**These are the children who have been spotted shining in
school this week.
Well done for demonstrating our CARE values.**

**Apple – Alfred
Birch – Lenny
Cherry – Hollie
Fir – Isaac
Maple – Kobi
Oak – Eleftheria
Rowan – Lucas
Sycamore – Niah**



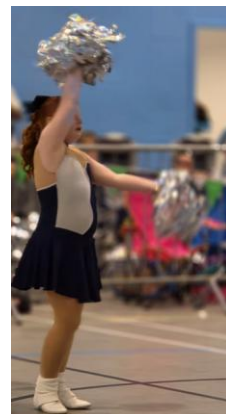
Compassion Achievement Respect Enjoyment
Every child is loved and known.
Every child shines.



We had an exciting message from Ruby-Rose's family:-

What a weekend it has been. Ruby-Rose started the weekend off by being advised not to dance due to an ankle injury but she wasn't letting that stop her dancing at the last nationals of the 2026 season. Ruby-rose competed against 10 different teams. Ruby-Rose placed 1st place pom leader. 4th place pom routine and 3rd place combination. Ruby-Rose not only danced in her own age group but also danced up an age group as well. I am very proud of Ruby-Rose and her team.

This is just fantastic Ruby-Rose, well done on all you have achieved!







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/CcTvtVeiY1kLc7c1A>

PE DAYS AUTUMN TERM 2026 (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 Tuesday
Year 4	Wednesday Thursday
Year 5	Monday Tuesday
Year 6	Wednesday 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	Hilltop World War 1 Day (in-school visit)	Full payment due 1 st November Payment by Monday 16 th November



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



Year 3 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Euan B	8,239
2 nd	Maisie D-S	3,532
3 rd	Eloise W	2,624



Year 4 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Cai A	17,231
2 nd	Reuben B-R	7,100
3 rd	Sophie A	6,615



Year 5 MOST PLAYED

1 st	James B	8,915
2 nd	William B	3,410
3 rd	Nilha R	2,513



Year 6 MOST PLAYED

1 st	Rhitav N	17,637
2 nd	Cameron G	11,920
3 rd	Theodore J	7,390

AUTUMN 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 31st Aug, 21st September & 12th October



AUTUMN/WINTER 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) Smoothies (ve)	Sausages or Veggie Sausages (ve) Hash Browns (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Pancakes (v)	Spaghetti & Meatballs or Spaghetti & Veggie Balls (ve) Garlic Bread (v) Biscuit (ve)	Roast Gammon or Veggie Sausage (ve) Yorkshire Pud (v) Roast Potatoes (ve) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (optional) (ve) Fruit Platter (ve)	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 (ve), 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.				
v = vegetarian ve = vegan				



Week Two Menu

Weeks beginning 7th Sept, 28th Sept & 19th October



AUTUMN/WINTER 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 (ve) Herby Diced Potatoes (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Cake (v)	Meatballs & Tomato Pasta or Veggie Balls & Tomato Pasta (ve) Garlic Bread (v) Broccoli (ve) Yogurt (v)	Roast Turkey or Roasted Herby Fillet (ve) Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (optional) (ve) Arctic Roll (v)	Harry Ramsden Fish or Crispy Dipper (ve) Chips (ve) Peas (ve) Chocolate Cake (v)
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Week Three Menu

Weeks beginning 14th September & 5th October

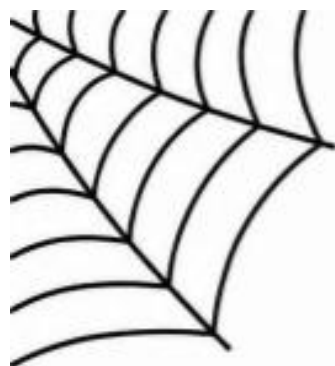


AUTUMN/WINTER 2026 – LUNCH MENU

Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Spaghetti Bolognese or Spaghetti Veggie Bolognese (ve) Garlic Bread (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Yogurt (v)	Sausage Roll or Veggie Roll (ve) Mash (ve) Baked Beans (ve) Flapjack (ve)	Creamy Bacon Carbonara or 'No Bacon' Creamy Carbonara (v) Fresh Bread (ve) Broccoli (ve) Fruit Platter (ve)	Roast Turkey or Baked Fillet (ve) Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Seasonal Vegetables (ve) Gravy (optional) (ve) Vanilla Ice Cream (v)	Fish Fingers or Veggie Fingers (ve) Chips (ve) Peas (ve) School Cake with Icing & Sprinkles (v)
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Meals can be pre-ordered up to the October half term break and will only be charged to ParentPay once the meal has been taken.



PUMPKIN COMPETITION

DECORATE/CARVE A PUMPKIN AND WIN A PRIZE! (ONE PRIZE PER YEAR GROUP)

BRING YOUR PUMPKIN INTO SCHOOL ON EITHER
THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER OR FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER.

ALL PUMPKINS WILL BE PUT ON DISPLAY IN THE PLAYGROUND
TO BE JUDGED ON FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER.

WE ASK THAT CHILDREN TAKE THEIR PUMPKINS HOME
ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

**FREE
EVENT!**

GOOD LUCK!



St Andrew's Junior School

TEATOWEL SALE

IS NOW ON!

Your child has had the opportunity to draw their own portrait and our **2026 teatowel sale** is now on, available to purchase from the PTA Events page.

The shop will be open for **2 weeks** before closing so orders can be made in time for Christmas.



 **AVAILABLE NOW**
FROM THE PTA EVENTS PAGE

It's a perfect
Christmas gift!



St. Andrew's Junior School

Association

✦ **CHRISTMAS** ✦
RAFFLE TICKETS

Tickets will be sent home with children from the 2nd November. Please return all monies, counterfoils and unsold tickets to the school by the 4th December.



1ST PRIZE: £150 CASH GENEROUSLY DONATED BY WE ARE FRED LTD.



2ND PRIZE: FAMILY DAY PASS TO JIMMY'S FARM (WORTH OVER £100!)



3RD PRIZE: £50 AMAZON VOUCHER

£1
Ticket

And many more Prizes



FLU IMMUNISATIONS – in school Thursday 22nd October

The School Flu Immunisation Team will be in school on Thursday 22nd October to rollout this year's flu vaccinations. Vaccination UK are moving to a new **e-consent system** called **MAVIS (Manage Vaccinations in Schools)** and you will hear from them *directly* for consent. Schools are no longer required to send vaccination information to parents.

CHILDREN'S
HEALTH
MATTERS

NHS

SUPER BODIES

SCHOOL FLU VACCINATION PROGRAMME

Protect Your Child at School

Flu spreads quickly in schools.
The nasal spray vaccine helps
keep your child healthy.

It's Free, Quick and Easy

- ✓ Just a nasal spray
- ✓ Takes seconds
- ✓ No needles
- ✓ Given at school

Protect Others Too

Vaccinating your child helps protect:

- Babies too young to be vaccinated
- Grandparents and older relatives
- People with long-term health conditions



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2 DAY CAMP

Monday 26th & Tuesday 27th October



10am – 1pm
Age 4–5 years

£20
per day



10am – 3pm
Age 6–12 years

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