Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School

NEWSLETTER

6th November 2026

Dear Parents,

Well, that has felt like a very long and wintery week indeed! Please do send your child in with a coat, even if it doesn't look like they will need it- the weather is changing quickly!
We have spent the week remembering our behaviour expectations, particularly how we move quietly around the building.

A huge thank you to you all for your generous donations for the Christmas Fayre on the 9th December.
If you have time and are able to help in any way please do let us know.

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



A warm St. Andrew's welcome to Cameron (Y6 Sycamore) and his family to our school community. We look forward to helping you all soon settle in.



BBC CHILDREN IN NEED APPEAL 2026

Children in Need: if you wish to make a donation to the 2026 BBC Children in Need Appeal you are able to use the link via ParentPay below.

https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=22079

JSA - Design your own Christmas Cards

A reminder that all designs *must* be returned by the deadline of Monday 9th November please

SCHOOL MEAL PRE-ORDERING
By 11th November – for week beginning 16th November 2026
If you have any queries, please do contact the school office.

Autumn Term 2026 – Diary Dates

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 (**9:30-10:30am**)
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.

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

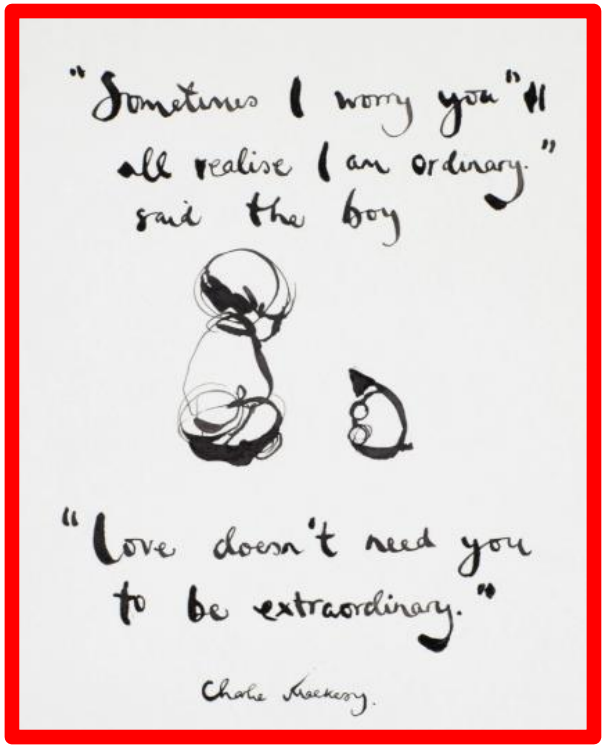


Wishing a very **Happy Birthday** to those who celebrate their birthdays between:

2nd to 8th November 2026

Sienna W (Fir)

Henry F (Rowan), Anna P (Maple),



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

G P
V B

Winner of House Points for this week is

GREYSTONES

Berwicks	**4th**
Greystones	**1st**
Priory	**3rd**
Vinehurst	**2nd**

Let Your Light Shine

Matthew 5:16



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

Apple – George
Birch – Thea
Cherry – Andre
Fir – Cai
Maple – William
Oak – Elizabeth
Rowan – Corey
Sycamore – Logan



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

Important parking update – Village Hall

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been asked by the Parish Council to share an important message about parking at the Village Hall while the improvement works are taking place.

Unfortunately, there are significant parking pressures during school drop-off and pick-up times and, in some cases, parents have been moving cones and parking in bays that have been specifically reserved for hall staff and contractors.

There have also been reports of inappropriate language being directed towards others when parking is unavailable, together with the misuse of disabled parking bays.

The ongoing building works have resulted in a loss of parking capacity, and the volume of vehicles seeking to use the site is now creating safety concerns for both hall users and members of the public. As the site owner and manager, the Parish Council has a duty to ensure that the premises remain safe and accessible for users throughout the construction period.

In light of this, the Village Hall car park is **not available** for school drop-off or pick-up parking whilst the works are ongoing. Parents and carers who are visiting the Village Hall or Recreation Ground facilities at the time of school drop-off or pick-up are, of course, welcome to use the car park whilst accessing those facilities. However, the car park should not be used solely for school-related parking during the period of the building works.

The Parish Council appreciate that this may cause inconvenience. However, the current situation is becoming increasingly hazardous, and they must prioritise the safety of all site users.



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

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

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 1st November Payment by Monday 16th November

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

Year 3 MOST PLAYED

1st	Maisie D-L	1,640
2nd	Brody W	1,532
3rd	Casey J	1,080

Year 4 MOST PLAYED

1st	Cai A	5,284
2nd	Reuben B-R	3,552
3rd	Thomas G	2,560

Year 5 MOST PLAYED

1st	James B	6,520
2nd	Vaksleena V	4,540
3rd	William B	4,050

Year 6 MOST PLAYED

1st	Theodore J	6,130
2nd	Cameron G	4,830
3rd	Livia L	1,540

Autumn Term 1

BATTLE OF THE CLASSES

TOP 3 CLASSES

1st	Fir	565
2nd	Maple	357
3rd	Cherry	300

MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS

1st	Cai A (Fir)	3,950
2nd	Rhys A (Sycamore)	3,454
3rd	Samuel T (Fir)	2,986



- ANSWER AS MANY QUESTIONS AS POSSIBLE
- PLAY IN ANY GAME TYPE
- WINNING GROUP WILL HAVE THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CORRECT ANSWERS PER PLAYER
- ASK YOUR TEACHER FOR FULL DETAILS AND RULES



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 1

Week beginning: 02/11/26, 23/11/26, 14/12/26

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheesy Tomato Pasta (V)	Chicken Burger in a Bun	Sausage Roll	Roast Chicken	Fish Fillet
	Vegetable Burger in a Bun (VE)	Veggie Sausage Roll (VE)	Sausage & Bean Puff (VE)	Fishless Fingers (VE)
Bauguette Slice (VE) Broccoli (VE)	Wedges (VE) Mixed Salad (VE)	Herby Diced Potatoes (VE) Baked Beans (VE)	Roast Potatoes (VE) Yorkshire Pudding (V) Carrots & Sweetcorn (VE) Gravy (VE)	Chips (VE) Peas (VE)
Yoghurt (V)	Jam Sponge & Custard (V)	Fresh Fruit (VE)	Cake of the Day (V)	Fresh Fruit (VE)

Jacket Potato with Cheese (V), Baked Beans (VE) or Tuna served with veg and Dessert of the Day

School Packed Lunch: Ham, Cheese (V) or Tuna Roll with Carrot & Cucumber Sticks (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 2

Week beginning: 09/11/26, 30/11/26, 4/01/27

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Margherita Pizza (V)	Beef Burger in a Bun	Pasta & Meatballs	Roast Turkey	Fish Fingers
	Vegetable Burger in a Bun (VE)	Pasta & Veggie Meatballs (VE)	Veggie Sausages (VE)	Vegetable Fingers (VE)
Pasta Salad (VE)	Wedges (VE) Mixed Salad (VE)	Peas (VE)	Roast Potatoes (VE) Yorkshire Pudding (V) Carrots & Broccoli (VE) Gravy (VE)	Chips (VE) Baked Beans (VE)
Yoghurt (V)	Banoffee Sponge (V)	Fresh Fruit (VE)	Cookie (V)	Fresh Fruit (VE)

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Week 3

Week beginning: 16/11/26, 7/12/26

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Crispy Dippers (VE)	Sausages	BBQ Chicken	Roast Gammon	Fish Fingers
	Veggie Sausages (VE)	BBQ Fillet (VE)	Mince & Onion Puff (VE)	Vegetable Fingers (VE)
Wedges (VE) Mixed Salad (VE)	Hash Browns (VE) Baked Beans (VE)	Herby Diced Potatoes (VE) Peas (VE)	Roast Potatoes (VE) Yorkshire Pudding (V) Carrots & Sweetcorn (VE) Gravy (VE)	Chips (VE) Baked Beans (VE)
Yoghurt (V)	Pancakes (V)	Fresh Fruit (VE)	Chocolate Brownie (V)	Fresh Fruit (VE)

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Meals can be pre-ordered up to the first week back in January 2027 and will only be charged to ParentPay once the meal has been taken.

Braintree Area
Foodbank
Together with Trussell

Thank you!

St Andrews Junior School

For your incredible fundraising efforts in support of Braintree Area Foodbank during 2026 Harvest.

You raised an incredible 168.79kg!



Your dedication and support have made a huge difference to the lives of people living in poverty.

Ending hunger together

Registered charity number 1148782. Registered in England and Wales.

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.

£1 Ticket



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

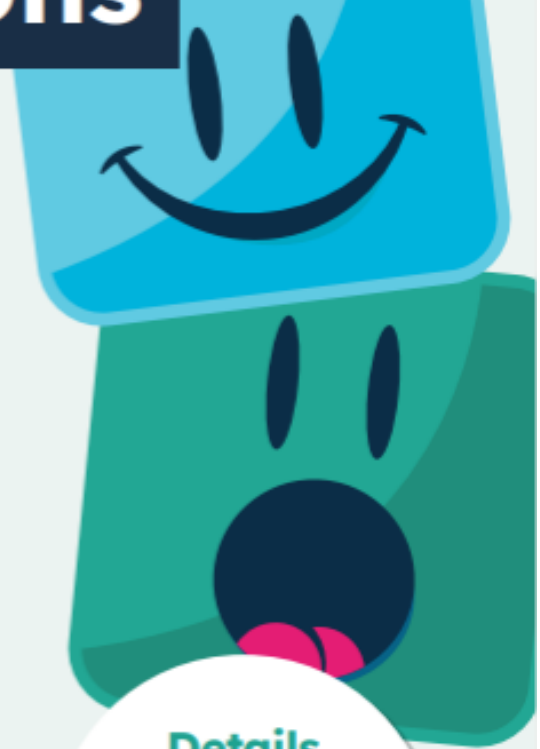
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Family Learning

Managing Big Emotions

Sign up online
HO1A05CO26



- Understand what sits behind **challenging behaviour**
- Help your child to **manage feelings** with confidence
- **Build resilience**, calm and emotional wellbeing

Details

Monday 9th November
9.00-10.30am
Free

Location: St Andrews Junior School
Hatfield Peveral

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Private Fostering



What is it?

Private Fostering is when a child/young person under 16 (18 if disabled) lives with someone who is not a close relative for more than 28 days.

It is a legal requirement for parents and private foster carers to notify the Local Authority about private fostering arrangements.

Once notified, the Private Fostering Team will regularly visit the arrangement, undertake safeguarding checks and complete an assessment to ensure that the child is safeguarded and that the private foster carers are able to provide a reasonable standard of care.

How can you help?

Private Fostering Arrangements are frequently under reported, so please let us know if you become aware of one. If you are concerned about anything affecting a Private Fostering Arrangement, please contact us.

Phone: **0345 603 7627** to make a referral or visit our website: **www.essex.gov.uk/privatefostering**

The Essex Private Fostering App Went live in October 2021. Please download the App on Android or IOS.

Essex County Council

Braintree District Cultural Education Partnership | Braintree District Council

BRAINTREE CHAIRMAN'S CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Your artwork could be sent to dignitaries across Essex!

No cotton wool or glitter

A4 portrait size

Scan or upload to:
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WIN A £30 GIFT VOUCHER

DEADLINE: 1 DECEMBER

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