

SUNBEAMS NURSERY

ST ALPHEGE CE INFANT SCHOOL

St Alphege
Values



Koinonia

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Newsletter

Term 3 Week 6 | 14.02.2025

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February 2025

Mon 24th – Start of Term 4

March 2025

Mon 3rd – Sunbeams Stay and Play 2.15pm

Thurs 6th – World Book Day

Fri 21st – Comic Relief

Weds 26th – Parents Consultations (3.30pm-7pm)

Thurs 27th – Parents Consultations (2.00pm-4.30pm)

April 2025

Fri 4th – End of Term 4

Tues 22nd – Start of Term 5

[Click here for our School & Nursery Term Dates](#)

Bailey Yanik Cup

In honour of a previous pupil who sadly passed away, we award the Bailey Yanik Cup once each term. This cup is awarded to a little person who has the gift of finding joy in everything, and makes a big difference to everyone around them. **Term 3 is awarded to Sylvia Barrett in Year 2.**



Year 1 and Year 2 Choir

Year 1 and 2 choir run's every Tuesday from 8:20am - 8.40am in the Community Room. All are welcome, there is no need to sign up, just drop in on the day. Children will need to be dropped off at the Community Room patio area where Mrs Memmott will meet them. Time will be limited, please make sure that the children arrive promptly at 8:20am.



Achieve Sports – Year R, 1 & 2

Achieve sport clubs will start week commencing Monday 24th February and run for 6 weeks until Thursday 3rd April.

Monday	Year R, 1 & 2	Team Games
Wednesday	Year R, 1 & 2	Dance
Thursday	Year R, 1 & 2	Gymnastics



Readathon 3rd March – 17th March

As part of world book day, children are invited to take part in a sponsored readathon. Your child will be given a sponsor form for any wonderful reading they do between Monday 3rd March – Monday 17th March. Please see separate letter for more information. You can also visit the website to learn more. <https://readforgood.org/>



World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 6th March. This year we will be inviting children to come to school dressed as a book character. If your child does not want to dress up, they are welcome to come to school in non-uniform. Children may also bring favourite books from home to share with their friends on this day.

Extreme Read

We would love to see your children reading books in unusual places or situations! Please take a photo of your child reading a book in an unconventional way and give it to your class teacher or email a photo to the school office by Friday 21st March. These will be added to a school display in our library.

Red Nose Day - Friday 21st March

Red Nose Day is back on Friday 21st March and we will be having a non-uniform day in school. Please wear something red if you are able to. All monetary donations to support the Comic Relief charity will be gratefully received.



September 2025 Sunbeams Nursery Spaces

We have spaces available for September 2025

Please phone the office to book onto one of our open sessions:

Friday 16 th May	3.30pm-4.15pm
Monday 9 th June	3.30pm-4.15pm
Thursday 26 th June	3.30pm-4.15pm
Thursday 8 th July	3.30pm-4.15pm

Community



RAF Manston History Museum

Over the February half term, from the 15th to the 23rd, the museum will be hosting the Bricks at the Museum event. For this event the museum will house several Lego displays of all different types.

There is no need to pre-book for this event, simply show up on the day and pay for entry.

Pokémon Craft Event

Whitstable Library is running a craft event on Saturday 22 February, free of charge. The event will run for one hour and we will be making Pokémon characters



**TOTAL
SPORTS**
COACHING



February Half Term multi-sports camps for children aged 4 to 12! These camps will involve a variety of different sports throughout the day for children of all ages and ability levels

<https://tscoaching.co.uk/parents/holiday-camps/>

King Alphege Attendance Lion

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King Alphege is awarded to the class with the highest percentage attendance each week



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W/E 07.02.25
Shells Class – 97.7%

Weekly Awards

Whole School Awards!

Our awards this year represent our School Development priorities: ORBITS. The children have been busy designing our new stickers to accompany each of the areas of our School Plan. It was a very difficult choice, as their drawings were all brilliant, but we have settled on the final six below. Each class nominate one child to celebrate their achievements each week.



Outstanding Writing

Rudie- Puffins Class



Retrieval of Learning

Oliver F – Pebbles Class



Building Connections

Evie P - Shells Class



Inspirational Curriculum

Isla- Grace – Oysters Class



Talents and Creativity

Dylan – Seagulls Class



Simcha (Shared Joy)

Ciel – Pearls Class

Weekly Year Group Recap

Sunbeams Mrs Humphreys

What a beautiful sunny day to end our Sunbeams term on! We were so pleased to have our Sunbeams families visit us for our stay and play session this week. The children have loved sharing their activities and resources with you. This week we have each been creating our own unique star using a variety of creative methods such as paint and transient art. Our stars are all as individual as we are and just as special! They will be joining the stars that the whole school have produced, on display in our main school hall. During our HeartSmart session this week we thought about how we can use our hands for helping others. We then did an activity where we helped our partner if they dropped the bean bag that was balanced on their head. There were lots of helping hands and a great deal of hilarity too! We wish all our families a healthy and happy half term break and we look forward to seeing you in a weeks time.

Year R
Mrs Keeble and Mrs Jones

We have had another fun filled week in Reception. In *Drawing Club* we read the brilliant book, 'The 100 Decker Bus', and the children were inspired to write some brilliant sentences about their adventures. In maths the children were learning to find the numbers 9 and 10 and they have been continuing to practise their counting, subitising and number bonds. This week we have taken part in our whole school art installation based on the song, 'You are a star!' Your child would probably love to sing the song for you! Children and all adults have created a unique object to place in our 'galaxy' in the school hall. Every star or planet is unique and special, representing that we are all special and loved. The children were so excited when they came into Worship to spot their creation. This term the children have been really inspired by our transport topic, exploring it in learning through play through junk modelling, in Lego creations, role play in the big construction and mark making. Next term we look forward to our topic exploring where we can find nature. You may remember that every 4-year-old child is entitled to free milk at school, if you have given permission. As your child turns 5 you can continue to have milk if you sign up and pay for it. You may want to discuss this with your child if they will no longer be able to have milk at school.

Year 1
Miss Hughes and Mr Mead

We have loved school this week and hope you have a LOVEly Valentine's day! We enjoyed making biscuits and celebrating all the things and people that we love. We hope you enjoy the Valentines' cards we have made for you all they look beautiful! In PE this week we had our last Gymnastics and Games lessons. For Gymnastics we played the floor is lava and used all our skills of balancing, climbing, jumping, travelling and rolling. For Games we had a rounders match, Pearls vs Oysters! We were all very competitive but most of all we showed great teamwork and sportsmanship. In Maths this week we have been learning our number bonds to 20. In half term maybe you could practice finding all the ways to make 20. In English this week it was Production week. The children wrote brilliant sentences all about the story Lost and Found. They worked hard to incorporate nouns and words using the ed suffix. You may have noticed these sentences when you looked at our books on Thursday afternoon! Thank you to the parents that came in to see our book. If you were unable to attend but would still like to see your children's books, please ask Mr Mead or Miss Hughes and we can arrange another time for you to come in and see them. We hope you are as proud of the children's work as we are! Please check your child's book bag where there is a half term refresher sheet which you can look through with them. Well done Year 1 for an amazing term. We hope you have a lovely and relaxed week off with your families!

Year 2
Mrs O'Keeffe, Mrs Cohen and Mrs Cook

What a wonderful last week of term it's been here in Year 2! In English it was Production Week, and we created amazing information leaflets for evacuees all about Whitstable – our school, the town and what they would need to pack. The children used lots of powerful vocabulary and persuasive language and their finished products were really impressive. Well done everybody! In Maths we have been focusing on the 5 and 10 times table. We have counted in 5s and 10s, used arrays to write fact families, made groups and solved word problems. To consolidate our learning throughout Term 3 the children have been completing a Curriculum Rainbow Challenge all week. This included RE, Science and PSHE challenges! We also made Valentines cards using printing techniques. On Thursday and Friday the children completed a special Valentines Day Rainbow Challenge, which included such tasks as creating a bouquet on Purple Mash and filling a jar with things that you love. They really enjoyed it! We are sad to say 'Goodbye' to Mrs Cook and wish her well. Mrs Cook said 'I have really enjoyed my time here at this lovely school and would like to say a big thank you to all the parents and children! I will really miss the children and hope they have a wonderful rest of the year!' From all of us in Year 2 have a wonderful and restful half term.
