

SUNBEAMS NURSERY

ST ALPHEGE CE INFANT SCHOOL

St Alphege
Values



Koinonia

Loved, Inspired, Shining

Newsletter

Term 6 Week 1 | 06.06.2025

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

June 2025

Tues 10th – 2025 New Year R Pupil and Grown-up
Teddy Bears Picnic (1.15pm-2.45pm)
Mon 16th – Sunbeams Stay and Play. (2.15pm-3.15pm)
Tues 17th – Non-School Uniform for Tombola Prizes
Tues 17th – PAC Performance Whitstable Playhouse
(6pm)
Weds 18th – 2025 New Year R class visit for children.
Parent refreshments in the hall (10am – 11am)
Mon 30th – Year 2 Cathedral Day

July 2025

Weds 2nd – School Summer Fair
Thurs 3rd – Whitstable transition morning
Tues 15th – Year 2 Leavers Service at Church (2.00pm)
Weds 16th – Sunbeams End of Year Performance,
School Hall (9.30am) followed by end of year party.

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

Sunbeams Stay and Play Session

We would like to invite our Sunbeams families to join us at our stay and play sessions on Monday 16th June at 2:15pm. Please enter via the school office.

Non-Uniform Day – Tuesday 17th June

Our fabulous Friends Association have organised a non uniform day on Tuesday 17th June in exchange for a bottle and/or box of chocolates for the Summer Fair tombola.

Performing Arts Club Show - Tuesday 17th June

Our talented Year 2 PAC Club we be performing their production of Jungle Jamboree on Tuesday 17th June at 6pm. Tickets are available to purchase from the Box Office at the theatre or via the website <https://playhousewhitstable.co.uk/whats-on/>.

September 2025 Sunbeams Nursery Spaces

We still have some spaces available for September 2025 if you are interested in your child joining our fabulous Nursery. Please phone the office to book onto one of our open sessions:

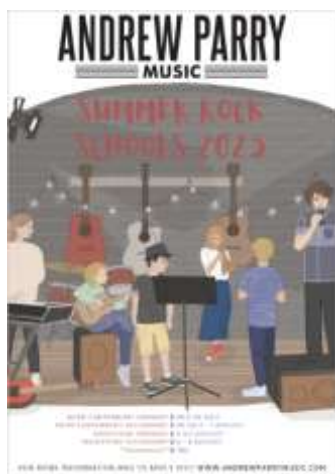
Monday 9th June 3.30pm-4.15pm
Thursday 26th June 3.30pm-4.15pm
Thursday 8th July 3.30pm-4.15pm



Year 1 and Year 2 Choir – Tuesday 10th June

Please be advised that Choir will not be running before school on Tuesday 10th June. It will continue as normal at 8.20am from Tuesday 17th June.

Community



APM Summer Rock Schools

Near Canterbury primary - Year 2-6 - Hernhill C of E Primary - Mon 28 & Tue 29 July - £100

Near Canterbury secondary - Year 7-10 - Hernhill C of E Primary - Wed 30 July - Fri 1 Aug - £130

Maidstone primary - Year 2-6 - MGS - Mon 4 & Tue 5 Aug - £100

Maidstone secondary - Year 7-10 - MGS - Wed 6 - Fri 8 Aug - £130

<https://www.andrewparrymusic.com/rock-schools>

Please sign up via the google form below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScSPvUAYNZjOfR_yJgTlCHJ70MaU_2fSyjSf1RLkbSh05AwRQ/viewform

The Food Bank Recipe Card Art Contest

The Food Bank are launching six recipe cards designed by the Head chef Stephen Harris from the Sportsman in Seasalter (these recipes are attached). As part of the new recipe card launch the Food Bank are inviting children to submit a design for a recipe card, where the winners' designs will be featured as part of the design.

The categories are **5 years and under** and **6-11 years**.

If your children are interested in taking part, please hand in your designs to your school office by Thursday 12th June. Please ensure they put their first name and initial and age on the back of the drawing.





Comicon at the RAF Manston History Museum 2025

This is a new event this year for the museum. They have gathered a large group of cosplayers, displayers and artists who represent a range of different franchises, from Marvel to Ghostbusters. There will also be stallholders that sell comic related merchandise, toys and independent art, as well as a face-painting station. The event is being held over the Father's Day weekend, so it would make a fun day out for families, and it is heavily encouraged that everybody comes dressed as their own favourite characters (adults and pets included).

<https://www.rafmanston.co.uk/event/comicon-at-the-museum/>

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 23.05.25
Oysters – 96.8%

Weekly Awards

Whole School Awards!

Our awards this year represent our School Development priorities: ORBITS. Each class nominate one child to celebrate their achievements each week.



Outstanding Writing
Seren – Pebbles Class



Retrieval of Learning
Caleb – Puffins Class



Building Connections
Cruze – Shells Class



Inspirational Curriculum
William – Pearls Class



Talents and Creativity
Etta – Oysters Class



Simcha (Shared Joy)
Sienna – Seagulls Class

Marvellous Milkshake Meeting

Children are chosen for consistently going above and beyond when demonstrating our school expectations: Ready, Respectful, Safe. What brilliant members of the St Alphege family they are!

Moss – Shells
Kobi M – Pebbles
Evie – Oysters
Sherrie-Ann - Pearls
Maggie – Seagulls
Sylvia - Puffins



Weekly Year Group Recap

Sunbeams
Mrs Humphreys

It has been lovely to welcome our Sunbeams back after the half term break into what will be a very busy term and the final term for some of our Sunbeams. Mrs Memmott joined us on Tuesday for a music session in which we sang some new songs as well as familiar ones. We have been making zig zag movements during Squiggle While You Wiggle and practicing our pen control through lots of mark making activities. Lots of our Sunbeams are making encouraging attempts at writing their name which is great to see. We selected some dressing up clothes out of the box and have enjoyed dressing up in various outfits and costumes throughout the week. The costumes have inspired some lovely imaginative play inspired from stories and characters we know.

Year R
Mrs Keeble

What a great start to Term 6 we have had! Our new topic is all about the seaside, asking the question: Do you like to be beside the seaside? We have been reading the Story 'The Snail and the Whale' by Julia Donaldson this week as part of our Drawing Club English learning this week. We have drawn pictures of a beach and added labels describing what we have drawn. In maths we have begun to learn about the concept of time and the sequencing of days, weeks and months. We have been exploring this in a range of ways: Looking at photos of our class grown-ups when they were younger to see if we can work out who they are, sequencing pictures and talking about what we do on different days and at different times; and seeing how high we can build a tower in 1 minute. We have been learning about the artist Joan Miro, who used shapes and lines in his pictures and have been inspired to create our own Joan Miro inspired art. During our learning through play time, we have also been using chalk to create snail pictures, writing lists of things to take to a desert island as well as digging, constructing and role playing. We have started to think about being Fit and Healthy as part of our PE, thinking this week about food that are healthy/less healthy as well as playing team games to get us moving. In RE we are continuing to explore stories from other World Religions and thinking about how they help people to behave and in PSHE we are exploring the theme 'No way thorough isn't True' with the help of Boris the Robot.

Year 1
Mr Mead and Miss Thomas-Friend

What a wonderful welcome back to Term 6! This week we have started lots of new and exciting learning journeys. As Imagination week sparks new ideas in English, Year 1 have begun exploring Poetry and some amusing poets (Chocolate Cake by Michael Rosen has been a firm favourite). We will be using some of the techniques we have spotted in poems this week, to begin creating some poems of our own! We have continued creating this week, in Computing. Pearls and Oysters have illustrated the front covers of their E-Books. We have been exploring the difference between traditional story books and electronic books. In History we are exploring the inspirational David Attenborough and all of the good things that he has done for humans and animals, in his lifetime! In PE this week, Year 1 revisited dodgeball and built upon their knowledge of throws, to focus on dodging then balls as well as aiming them. This term, our science exploration is focusing on Growing and Cooking. This week Year 1 have used their scientific skills to predict which conditions our cress will grow best in. Will having no sunlight or water affect our cress? What do you think? In Maths, this week we have been exploring how to show numbers to 100. Year 1 have been using their retrieval skills to partition numbers, using part-whole models and lots of different manipulatives. Finally, another wonderful trip to the swimming pool this Friday! Your children continue to display great examples of our school values. Have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday!

Year 2
Mrs O'Keeffe and Mrs Cohen

What a fantastic week Year 2 have had this week after our half term! We spent some time enjoying playing with our friends and talking about our time off. In English, we have been focusing on the story 'The Proudest Blue'. This week was imagination week and we have loved looking at many aspects of the story including thinking about how colours reflect our emotions and mood before designing our own hijab using inspiration from the story. We also learnt about using similes and metaphors and used colours to write our own! Next week we will look closely at story maps before working on our own story map to re-tell the narrative of 'The proudest Blue'. In Maths we have been recapping our addition knowledge and particularly focusing on mental arithmetic tactics. Next week we will transfer our skills and work out how to unpick and answer word problems including addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We began our DT project this week where we will be designing and making a picnic – this week we thought about different food groups and how many foods we could think of within those groups. Next week we will try some food from each group to decide what we do or don't want in our picnics. In Geography we learnt the 4 main compass directions and wrote simple directions to guide our friends around our route. Next week we will use a map of Whitstable to follow and point out human and physical features along the way. Wishing all of our families a wonderful weekend!
