

SUNBEAMS NURSERY

ST ALPHEGE CE INFANT SCHOOL



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Newsletter

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

July 2026

Mon 6th - The Friends Summer Fair
Tues 7th - Year R School Trip to Margate
Tues 7th - Year 1 End of Year Show (9.30am)
Tues 7th - Sunbeams Stay and Play (2.15pm)
Weds 8th - Year 1 School Trip to Toddlers Cove
Weds 8th - Sunbeams End of Year Performance and party (9.30am)
Tues 14th - Year 2 School Trip to Quex Park
Tues 14th - Reception End of year Concert (9.30am)
Thurs 16th - Year 2 Leavers Service (Church 2.15pm)
Fri 17th - End of Term 6

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Arts Week

To celebrate our annual Arts Week, we welcomed Jo from [Animate Arts Company](#) into school today to bring together the creations from across the school into our newest art installation! Our maths themed "pairs (pairs) on the stairs" tree has been assembled today and it looks magnificent! Each child has created a hanging pear and leaves, inspired by the art of the illustrator and author Eric Carle. There are a few extra bits (in pairs) to add next week, but this fabulous pear tree has transformed the space under our stairs into a magical hideaway!

[#Artbuilders2026](#)



Cakes for the Summer Fair – Monday 6th July

Our fabulous Friends of the school are organising a cake stall for the summer fair this year. We are asking for any contributions of cake/biscuits/sweet treats to sell. Please could you send these into school on Monday 6th July. We thank you for all donations.



Summer School Fair – Monday 6th July 3.15pm-4.30pm

Our fabulous Friends Association are organising an exciting summer fair in the playground after school. We are looking for parent helpers to run some of the stalls. If you would like to help on the day, please get in touch with the school office.

Year 1 End of Year Show– Tuesday 7th July

Parents are warmly invited to attend Year 1's end of year show on **Tuesday 7th July 9.30am** in the school hall. Entrance will be via the front gates.

Year R Trip to Margate – Tuesday 7th July

On Tuesday 7th July we would like to take all of our Reception children on an end of year trip to Margate Beach. We will be travelling by train and will spend the day there together exploring the beach. We will enjoy an ice lolly on our return to school.



Sunbeams Stay and Play Session – Tuesday 7th July

We would like to invite our Sunbeams families to join us at our stay and play session on Tuesday 7th June at 2:15pm. Please enter via the school office.

Year 1 Trip to Toddles Cove - Wednesday 8th July

On Wednesday 8th July we would like to take all of our Year 1 children on an end of year trip to Toddles Cove in Canterbury. We will be travelling by bus and will spend the day taking part in sports and outdoor games as well as playing in the park and exploring the play areas. We will enjoy an ice lolly on our return to school.



Sunbeams - End of year performance and party – Wednesday 8th July

Parents are invited to watch our performance which starts at **9.30am** in the main school hall. After the performance the children will return to the nursery for our end of year party. Please collect your children from Sunbeams at 11.30am unless your child would normally attend the lunch and afternoon sessions. We hope you are all able to join us.



Year R End of Year Show – Tuesday 14th July

Parents are warmly invited to attend Reception's end of year show on **Tuesday 14th July 9.30am** in the school hall. Entrance will be via the front gates.



Year 2 Trip to Quex Park – Tuesday 14th July

Year 2 we will be visiting **Quex Activity Centre in Birchington-On-Sea** on **Tuesday 14th July** for our end of year trip. The adventure park has lots to offer including giant bouncy pillows, a sand pit, a climbing frame & swings, a splash pool and animal encounters.

Year 2 Leavers Service at Church – Thursday 16th July 2.15pm

Leavers Celebration at Church. Year 2 parents are welcome to attend. Doors open at 1.45pm



Community



Blessing of the Waters
Thursday 23rd July 2026
6.30pm
Reeves Beach

All welcome to this traditional outdoor ceremony with well-loved hymns and prayers for our coastal waters.



WHAT	BALLET BARRE FITNESS CLASS AND SOCIAL GET TOGETHER
WHERE	THE HORSEBRIDGE ARTS CENTRE WHITSTABLE, CT5 1AF
WHEN	SATURDAY 11TH JULY 18:30 - 20:30
ENTRY	£15 MEMBERS / £20 NON-MEMBERS
SIGN UP	EMAIL SHIFT.BARRE@GMAIL.COM FOR FURTHER INFO AND TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE
FOLLOW	INSTAGRAM.COM/SHIFT_BARRE

King Alphege Attendance Lion

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



King Alphege Attendance Lion
W/E 26.06.26
Pebbles Class - 95.6%

Weekly Awards

Whole School Awards

Our awards this year represent our School Development priorities: POLAR and our school value of Simcha (Shared Joy). Each class nominate one child to celebrate their achievements each week and their names will be added to the weekly newsletter.



Powerful Writing
Dexter – Puffins Class



Outstanding Creativity
Reuben – Pebbles Class



Legendary Maths
Rafe T – Seagulls Class



Amazing Curriculum
Maya – Pearls Class



Retrieval of Learning
Seren – Oysters Class



Simcha (Shared Joy)
Skyla – Shells Class

Weekly Year Group Recap

Sunbeams

Mrs Humphreys

We had a wonderful day on Tuesday celebrating 150 years of St Alphege Infants with a Victorian Day. Some of our children dressed up along with the grown ups in Sunbeams and enjoyed a day of Victorian inspired activities. During the morning we baked a Victoria Sponge cake and we had a lot of fun weighing out the ingredients on our balance scales, cracking eggs and mixing everything together! We then enjoyed eating it even more when we had our afternoon snack. During the afternoon we played Victorian games such as stick and hoop. We tried to keep our hoops upright and rolling alongside us as we pushed them with a stick. We played quoits using an upturned chair and played some circle games, such as Ring a ring of roses. Mrs Memmott played musical games with us on Wednesday afternoon, which was lovely for the Sunbeams who don't usually get to see her (since she is usually in on a Tuesday). We have been practising our performance for next week in the hall and are very excited about sharing it with our families next Wednesday followed by our party.

Year R
Mrs Keeble and Mrs Hopkins

We have had another wonderful week in Reception this week. We had the best day celebrating the schools 150th year by taking part in a whole school Victorian Day. We had the opportunity to experience the ways in which school would have been different when our School opened, as well as a Victorian wash house and a Victorian PE lesson, performing drills. As well as that exciting day we have also had the opportunity to spend time in our new classes with our new teachers, a fun morning and afternoon was had by all. As we move into our final few weeks together we have been practising songs and rhymes to share in our performance to you all at the end of term.

Year 1
Mr Mead and Mrs O'Keeffe

Oysters and Pearls have had such a great week this week with their Transition Morning on Thursday and Friday Afternoon. There has been lots of rehearsals to make sure we are ready for our end of year show, what a treat! In our Maths we are learning to tell the time, specifically what each hand on the clock tells us and how seconds, minutes and hours represent different amounts of time. Next week we will be looking at how we know that it is o'clock or half past the hour. Oysters and Pearls then showed their knowledge practically, making their own clocks, watches and playing 'what's the time Mr. Wolf'. It has been our production week this week and in Year 1 we used our fact books to help us write statements about how we can save the environment and what will happen if we are harmful to our planet. Our Geography linked beautifully with English this week. We continued looking at Sir David Attenborough and how he has advocated to save our oceans. The children learnt why it's important to look after the oceans and how they can help. We absolutely loved Victorian day on Tuesday! It was so interesting to see what a school was like in Victorian times. The teachers were very strict! The workhouse with Mrs O'Keeffe was really hard. She made us work so hard and do loads of jobs children shouldn't have to do! The Victorian classroom and PE lessons felt very different. The teachers were mean and the lessons were so boring! As the final weeks of Term 6 begin, it is hard not to notice how ready your lovely children are for Year 2 and the new excitement that it brings. We are so looking forward to making the most of these next two weeks of celebration before the end of the year.

Year 2
Mrs Martin and Mrs Cohen

Year 2 have had an exciting week with lots of different activities! The children absolutely loved visiting the Cathedral on Monday and were such wonderful representatives of our school. They shared a worship in the crypt with 2 other schools which celebrated their new beginnings as they prepare to move on to their new schools. They then got to explore the Cathedral and grounds and enjoyed a picnic lunch before heading back to school. On Tuesday the children time travelled back 150 years and enjoyed Victorian Day in school! They participated in drill PE activities, explored what it was like in a work house washing clothes by hand and working in a factory as well as experiencing a Victorian classroom, sitting in rows and using slate boards to write! It was an incredible day and a fantastic experience for all. On Thursday they spent the morning in their new school and all returned with smiling faces, excited for their journey ahead! In computing this week, the children explored William Morris style repeating patterns and created a pattern before exploring how to change the size and position of the original design. The children followed their design of animal toast from last week and made their toast this week which turned out perfectly! Next week, they will evaluate their toast and think about what went well and what they would do differently next time. We will be completing our final piece of writing about the Titanic by creating a Newspaper article. **Please can all children have a named carrier bag in school by Friday 10th July to bring their books and work home in the following week. Please can all children also have a spare school t-shirt or PE top to be signed by children and staff in school in the final week of term.** Thank you- have a fabulous weekend.