

SUNBEAMS NURSERY

ST ALPHEGE CE INFANT SCHOOL

St Alphege
Values



Koinonia

Loved, Inspired, Shining

Newsletter

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

June 2026

Mon 8th - Whole School Collective Worship (Church 2.45pm)
Tues 9th - PAC Performance (Whitstable Playhouse)
Fri 12th - Friends Father's Day Shop
Fri 26th - Non - Uniform in aid of Summer Tombola
Mon 29th - Year 2 Cathedral Day

July 2026

Weds 1st - Sharing the Learning & meet your new teacher (2.30pm)
Thurs 2nd - Whitstable Transition Morning
Mon 6th - The Friends Summer Fair
Tues 7th - Year R School Trip
Weds 8th - Year 1 School Trip
Tues 14th - Year 2 School Trip
Thurs 16th - Year 2 Leavers Service (Church 2.15pm)
Fri 17th - End of Term 6

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

Whole School Collective Worship at Church

All parents and carers are warmly invited to attend the following school church service at St Alphege Church: **Monday 8th June (Those in PAC will not attend) at 2.45pm**



The Church will be open from 2pm if any parents and their little ones would like to pop down earlier for tea/coffee and a space to chat and play.

We will return to school afterwards and you can collect your child from school at 3.15pm as usual.



Performing Arts Club Show

Our talented Year 2 PAC Club will be performing their production of The Magic Box on **Tuesday 8th 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/>



The Friends Father's Day Shopping Event

The Friends Association will be holding a Father's Day Shopping Event on **Friday 12th June** during the school day. This event will give the children a lovely opportunity to experience the joy of choosing and giving gifts to their loved ones, plus learning skills of exchanging money. Please note that the children can purchase gifts for any special person in their life. This does not only have to be for dads or grandfathers. Each gift will cost £2.50 and will come packaged in lovely gift bags. Each child has been sent home with two gift labels today.

Sunbeams are welcome to take part if they are normally in on a Friday morning, when the event is taking place. Unfortunately, we will not be able to reserve gifts if your child is not in Sunbeams on that morning, as we want to make sure the children have independence in selecting their gifts.



Non-Uniform Day

The Friends Association have organised a non-uniform day on **Friday 26th June** in exchange for a bottle and/or box of chocolates for the Summer Fair tombola.

September 2026 Sunbeams Nursery Spaces

We still have some spaces available for September 2026 if you are interested in your child joining our fabulous Nursery. Please phone the office to book onto one of our open sessions:

Thursday 11th June 3.30pm-4.15pm
 Monday 29th June 3.30pm-4.15pm



School Trips – Dates for the Diary:

- Reception** – Tuesday 7th July - Margate
- Year 1** – Wednesday 8th July – Toddlers Cove
- Year 2** – Tuesday 14th July - Quex park

Letters and further information will be sent home next week.

Community



RAF Manston History Museum Annual Comicon

20th and 21st June

They encourage everyone to come dressed as their favourite characters and there will be cosplayers there with their own props and costumes for you to look at. There will also be a range of stalls from art, memorabilia and even miniature painting.

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



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W/E 22.05.26
Seagulls Class –96.4%

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
Harry – Puffins Class



Outstanding Creativity
George – Pebbles Class



Legendary Maths
Malakai - Seagulls Class



Amazing Curriculum
Orla – Oysters Class



Retrieval of Learning
Kobi -Pearls Class



Simcha (Shared Joy)
Inez – Shells Class

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 squiggly 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. In spite of the weather, we have been able to spend a good amount of time outside playing and particular fun was had on Wednesday when some of our Sunbeams dug a big hole in our mud area and filled it with water so that they could wade and jump in to create big splashes! Our tiny and very hungry caterpillars arrived this week. We shall be observing the changes we see which will enable us to explore size and measure as well as exploring growth, change and the life cycle of the caterpillar.

Year R
Mrs Keeble and Mrs Hopkins

What an exciting week we have had back in Reception for the start of Term 6. The children have been buzzing with news of their adventures over the half term break and have enjoyed being back in school with their friends. Our Term 6 topic is all about Change with the learning question: "I wonder what will happen if?" We have introduced the rhyming book 'Mad about Minibeasts' as part of our Drawing Club and English focus, learning the vocabulary scuttle, transform, microscopic and delicate. After listening to the rhymes in the book, the children were tasked with designing their own minibeast hunt checklist ready to embark on a minibeast hunt in The Nest next week. The children were very excited about the special delivery of caterpillars this week, we have been interested in watching them grow and move around their little pot, anticipating the changes we will observe over the next few weeks. In Maths this week we have revisited our work on grouping and sharing and have started to introduce the mathematical idea of odd and even. 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. 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 Through isn't True' with the help of Boris the Robot.

Year 1
Mr Mead, Mrs O'Keeffe and Mrs Slater

What a wonderful welcome back to Term 6! This week we have started lots of new and exciting learning. In English we have thought about our new learning question this term, 'How do I look after our World?' and read the book '10 ways I can help the World.' We learnt about how important it is to look after wildlife and made bird feeders to take home. Next week we will begin our Imagination Week and explore other ways we can help care for our environment. 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. In Maths, this week we have been exploring position and direction we looked at vocabulary like forwards, backwards, left and right. We played fun games where we blindfolded our partners and gave instructions to help them avoid, climb over or climb under objects. 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 Martin and Mrs Cohen

What a lovely start to our final term we have had! The children enjoyed sharing their half terms with their friends and creating their class museum on the first day back. In Maths, they have been focussing on making equal and unequal groups and investigating which numbers can be split into equal groups. They learnt how to find half a shape and thought carefully about ensuring the two parts were equal. Next week, they will use this to find half a number and move on to finding quarters too! The children learnt about the Titanic and where it was built. They learnt about where it sailed from and where its destination was. They then made their own mini-Titanic and sailed them across a map from Southampton and created an iceberg in the sea where the ship sank. Next week they will explore the question 'Was life the same for everyone on the Titanic?' In their English imagination week, the children went for a walk to the harbour and looked thought about what they could see and hear and they focussed on the boats and discussed what their uses are. They also saved animals who were frozen in ice using a range of tools and thought about where the animals might have come from and where in the ocean they might have frozen. Next week we will introduce the text to the children and begin gathering vocabulary for our writing! We also explored how to manipulate clay in art to create a sculpture. The children rolled, squashed, cut, spiralled and used many techniques! Next week, we will use these techniques to create a sculpture of a coral reef using clay! Have a wonderful weekend.