

SUNBEAMS NURSERY

ST ALPHEGE CE INFANT SCHOOL

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Newsletter

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

June 2026

Fri 26th – Non - Uniform in aid of Summer Tombola
Mon 29th – Year 2 Cathedral Day
Tues 30th – Victorian Day - Celebrating 150 years

July 2026

Thurs 2nd – Whitstable Transition Morning
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

This week we had another visit from Jo from **Animate Arts Company**. She showed us our next school project and set us art challenges that we will complete next week. The children from all year groups will be undertaking creative challenges which will be drawn together to create a brand new installation in school. Inspired by the work of the Illustrator of the Hungry Caterpillar book - Eric Carle, the children will be creating pieces using his artistic techniques to create our very own pear tree. Jo will be back soon to pull all of our creations together into what we are certain will be another creative masterpiece! We can't wait to share this with you all!



Non-Uniform Day – Friday 26th June

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.

Year 2 Canterbury Cathedral Celebration Service– Monday 29th June

We are delighted to have the opportunity to spend the day at Canterbury Cathedral with our Year 2 friends from Herne Infants. This opportunity will enable our children to explore the Cathedral and gather together to give thanks for their time at St Alphege Infant school.



We will travel to Canterbury on the local bus in the morning and return to school for 3.15pm.

Puffins will travel on the **8.55am** bus and will need to be dropped off at the school hall.

Seagulls will travel on the **9.10am** bus. Please be prompt to school on this day as we will be unable to take any late arrivals.

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 our open session:

Monday 29th June 3.30pm-4.15pm

Victorian Day – Celebrating 150 Years of St Alphege CE Infant School - Tuesday 30th June

This year marks a very special milestone as St Alphege Infant School celebrates 150 years of teaching children in our community. To help us celebrate, we will be holding a Victorian Day on Tuesday 30th June. On this day our children will step back in time to experience what school life was like 150 years ago. They will take part in a range of exciting activities including a Victorian classroom experience, traditional drill-style PE lessons and activities inspired by Victorian factories and workhouses. To help bring the day to life, we would like children to come to school dressed in simple Victorian-inspired clothing. Please do not feel that you need to buy anything new. A plain shirt or blouse, dark trousers, a skirt, pinafore, cardigan, waistcoat or flat cap would all work wonderfully. The most important thing is that the children feel comfortable and ready to enjoy the day.

Sunbeams children are welcome to join in with Victorian Day by dressing up and will enjoy Victorian themed activities in Sunbeams.



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

Our fabulous Friends Association are organising summer school 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 sessions 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 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

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.



Coastal School Uniform are offering a 10% discount until the 25th June

<https://www.coastalschooluniformcompany.co.uk>

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 12.06.26
Pearls Class –99.3%

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
Kobi P – Pearls Class



Outstanding Creativity
Harry – Puffins Class



Legendary Maths
Arthur – Pebbles Class



Amazing Curriculum
Reggie – Oysters Class



Retrieval of Learning
Nel – Shells Class



Simcha (Shared Joy)
Daisy MM – Seagulls Class

Weekly Year Group Recap

Sunbeams Mrs Humphreys

This week in Sunbeams we have begun to think about our end of year performance. We have read the story 'We're going on a bear hunt' and watched the author Michael Rosen perform it which has inspired our own performance. We have spent much of the week combining print with paint and mark making with pens and pencils when creating cards for Father's Day. We had a visit from Jo from Animate Arts on Thursday, who showed us some artwork from a very familiar story 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. The author and illustrator Eric Carle will inspire our creative activities next week as we combine paper, paint and glue to make leaves and pears for our next whole school installation. We are also very excited that our caterpillars have now spun their chrysalis' and we are waiting patiently for butterflies to emerge.

Year R
Mrs Keeble and Mrs Hopkins

This week has been an exciting week as we got to meet our new teachers and spend some time with them, both in our classes and in our new classrooms where we will be in September. We have been busy designing and making cards for the special men in our lives and using our amazing writing in them too. In Maths we have been thinking about the sequencing of time, including days of the week, the order of a usual day and looking at o'clock on a clock face. We had an exciting visit from Jo from Animate Arts who tasked us with a challenge for next week, making things to contribute to a display for a shared area in the school. The task will definitely keep us busy next week! In PE as well as thinking about keeping healthy by getting good rest we enjoyed using different equipment on the playground including tennis racquets and balls. We have also been practicing with enthusiasm our songs to share with you at the end of the year.

Year 1
Mr Mead and Mrs O'Keeffe

We have had such a busy week in Year 1! The week started in the best way. Meeting our new teachers on Monday and getting to go and see them in our new classrooms on Tuesday. It was so interesting to spot the differences and similarities in our new classroom compared to our Year 1 classroom. This week in Maths we have continued exploring numbers to 100, but have progressed into numbers being greater than, less than and Equal to each other. The wonderful Number Gator helped us to remember that she eats the greater number! In English we have completed our Creation week. We continued to explore the story '10 things I can do to help my World' and decided to make our own books. On Monday the children learnt how to fold and cut paper to create their own mini books and through the week we have been the authors and illustrators explaining ways to save the world and how these things will make a difference. We are continuing to understand the difference between Traditional books and E-books in Computing. Our E-Books have levelled up again, having now added animations to our story books! This week we also had Jo from Animate Arts visit us. She showed us our next school project and set us art challenges that we will complete next week. Yet again, swimming has been one of the highlights of the week. Year 1 continue to display wonderful behaviour when going swimming. This week they excelled in their pool safety as it was National Drowning Prevention Week. We explored what to do in the water when you can't touch the ground and knowing when to swim and when to float like a starfish! Next week (26th) will sadly be our last swimming session. I know lots of us will miss going every Friday, what a wonderful few weeks it has been! Have a great weekend, we look forward to seeing you next week!

Year 2
Mrs Martin and Mrs Cohen

Seagulls and Puffins have enjoyed their learning this week and have continued to wow their teachers with their division understanding in maths! They have shown their ability to half, quarter and third while numbers and even explored finding three quarters of a number! Next week the children will be learning about data collection and making tally charts, reading tables and gathering information from block diagrams. In English the children have continued their interviews with their teddys – imagining they were on the Titanic and thinking of questions and answers before writing their interview transcripts in their books. Next week they will use lots of their learning throughout English and History about the titanic and focus what may have been in newspaper articles during that time. We had a lovely visit from Jo from Animate Arts who showed us some exciting art challenges to complete which we will do next week. Next week on Thursday is Transition morning – please remember to drop your children to their junior school. They will return back to class after lunch!