

SUNBEAMS NURSERY

ST ALPHEGE CE INFANT SCHOOL

St Alphege
Values



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Newsletter

Term 4 Week 5 | 28.03.2025

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

March 2025

Mon 31st – Collective Worship at Church (2.45pm)

Families welcome

Mon 31st – Year 1 Pirate Day

April 2025

Weds 2nd – Wellbeing Parents Coffee Morning

(8.45am) Octopus Room

Fri 4th – Parent Reading Workshop (9am) Hall

Fri 4th – End of Term 4

Tues 22nd – Start of Term 5

May 2025

Thurs 1st – Morris Men Visit

Mon 19th – Sunbeams Sports Day. Gates open at 9.30am

Mon 19th – Sports Day. Gates open at 1.30pm

Fri 23rd – End of Term 5

June 2025

Mon 2nd – Staff Development Day

Tues 3rd June - Start of Term 6

July 2025

Tues 15th – Year 2 Leavers Service at Church (2.00pm)
– Change to start time



Whole School Collective Worship at Church

All parents and carers are warmly invited to attend our whole school collective worship on Monday 31st March at 2.45pm at St Alphege Church.

Year 1 Pirate Day

Please can your child come to school dressed as a pirate on Monday 31st March. Costumes can be as simple or elaborate as you or your child wishes! Please be reassured that we have a lot of pirate accessories at school, so if your child comes in non-uniform, we can help 'pirate them up' for the day!

We will also be offering face painting in Year 1 on this day. If you would prefer for your child not to have their face painted, please let your class teacher know. The face paints are 'Snazaroo' brand and hypo-allergenic.





Parent Coffee Morning – Wednesday 2nd April

The wellbeing team would like to invite you to the first of our parent coffee mornings. Everyone welcome, for coffee, tea and even a biscuit!

The first meeting will take place in the Octopus Room on Wednesday 2nd April, 8:45am straight after drop off. Come along and meet parents, enjoy a drink and a chat, and have a say in how we shape these sessions moving forward.

Parent Reading Workshop - Friday 4th April at 9am

Following on from the parent drop-in sessions, we would like to invite you all to a Reading Workshop with Mrs Cohen, our English Leader, on Friday 4th April at 9am. The workshop will take place in the school hall. There is no need to book, so please just pop in after you have dropped your child to school.

During the workshop, Mrs Cohen will explain our approach to the teaching of reading in all year groups and share ways that you can help to support your child's reading at home. There will also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have about your child's reading.

For those who are unable to attend this session, we will send home a summary of the information to all parents following the workshop. We look forward to seeing many of you on the 4th.

Year 1 Swimming Lessons

Year 1 swimming lessons will be starting after Easter on Friday 2nd May. Please can your child wear their swimming costume and bring a towel to school in a separate bag. The children will walk to and from the pool and be back at school before lunchtime.



The lessons will be subsidised by the school but we are requesting a contribution of £35.00 payable in advance of the first lesson.

Please pay by cash at the school office or by direct bank payment in to the school bank account. Instalments are available if you would like to spread the cost. Please email the office to advise us that you have made a bank transfer so we can reconcile the payment on the bank statement. If for any reason you are unable to pay or require support with this payment, please contact the office where we will be very happy to help or advise you on your options.

The children will swim on Friday

**May 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd in term 5 and
June 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th term 6.**

There is no swimming on Friday 30th May as this is the half term holiday.

Clubs on offer for Term 5

Achieve Sports All Years

Achieve sport clubs will start week commencing Tuesday 22nd April and run for 5 weeks until Thursday 22nd May. If your child hasn't attended before you will need to complete the emergency contact and photo consent forms. Forms have been emailed home. If you require a paper copy this can be collected from the Office Foyer. Forms to be returned by Thursday 3rd April.



Tuesday **All Years**
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Thursday **All Years**

Outdoor Games
Dance
Gymnastics

French Club Year 1 & 2

French club is run after school on Wednesdays 3.15pm-3.45pm
By Vicki at La Jolie Ronde.

To book please email Vicki directly lajolierondevicki@gmail.com

www.lajolieronde.co.uk



French
at St Alphege

These award-winning classes allow children to learn French the happy way.

Our after-school club is open to children in Year 1 and 2
Wednesdays
3.15 pm - 3.45 pm
£7 per class

Songs
Stories
Games
Rhymes

RESERVE A PLACE FOR YOUR CHILD NOW!

For further info contact:
07889 495577
lajolierondevicki@gmail.com
www.lajolieronde.co.uk

Music Club with Jerome Silsby

Music Club will run after school on a Wednesday 3.15pm – 4.15pm.

To book please email Jerome Silsby directly

jeromesilsby@icloud.com



MUSIC THROUGH PLAY

- LEARN DJEMBE, STICK DRUMMING, GLOCKENSPIEL & UKULELE
- USE MOVEMENT AND DANCE
- BUILD CO-ORDINATION & FINE MOTOR SKILLS
- EXPLORE MUSIC FROM AROUND THE WORLD
- COMPOSE, IMPROVISE & BUILD TEAM WORK
- HAVE FUN!

MUSIC CLUB

St Alphege Infant School
3.15-4.15 pm wednesdays

April 23rd, 30th // May 7th, 14th, 21st // June 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th // July 2nd

£90 for a 10 week block of sessions
Jerome Silsby MMus / Grade II / DBS. 17 years music teaching experience.
PLEASE CONTACT
JEROMESILSBY@ICLOUD.COM TO SIGN UP!

ANDREW PARRY MUSIC

Andrew Parry Music Lessons

Andrew Parry provide music lessons in over 50 schools all across Kent, as well as group rock school workshops and one-to-one lessons outside of school. Please contact Andrew Parry if you would like to book a lesson. Lessons are currently held in school during the school day on a Wednesday.

<https://www.andrewparrymusic.com/lessons>

Community



**EXPERIENCE EASTER!
TAKE THE JOURNEY**

Step into the heart of Easter! Engage with the story in a whole new way through our immersive, interactive walk-through, perfect for all ages. Don't miss this one-of-a-kind experience, Complete with refreshing treats!

Running on the following days
Monday 14th April - (10am - 3pm)
Tuesday 15th April - (10am - 3pm)

Location - Seasalter Christian Centre, Faversham Road, CT5 4AX
This Event is **FREE** to attend! Booking in advance is essential!

To book your journey scan the QR Code or drop Hannah an email on hannah.rogers@stalphegeseasalter.org

St Alphege, Seasalter



demelza

Join us for our egg-citing
Easter Trail and craft fair

12 & 13 April

Demelza Kent, Sittingbourne, ME9 8DZ
10am to 2.30pm

Stalls, children's activities, refreshments and more

Free parking

0300 365 3653
demelza.org.uk/eastertrail



King Alphege Attendance Lion

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



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W/E 21.03.25
Seagulls Class – 97.9%

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
Evie S – Shells Class



Retrieval of Learning
Willow – Oysters Class



Building Connections
Albie – Puffins Class



Inspirational Curriculum
Percy – Seagulls Class



Talents and Creativity
Frankie – Pebbles Class



Simcha (Shared Joy)
George B – Pearls 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!

Evie P – Shells Class
Axel – Pebbles Class
Ivan – Oysters Class
Rosie M – Pearls Class
Lola – Seagulls Class
Zander – Puffins Class



Weekly Year Group Recap

Sunbeams
Mrs Humphreys

This week in Sunbeams we read the book, 'Guess how much I love you' and thought about how we can express how much we love our own Mummy. We have made our Mother's Day cards using paint, printing with our hands and then mark making with pens. On Thursday we visited the Whitstable Museum. The kind volunteers talked to us about some of our local and interesting history, sometimes going back millions of years ago! The children particularly enjoyed examining the fossils that have been found, such as a woolly mammoth tooth and a large dinosaur tooth. We saw an old fashioned fire engine – called a 'pump' which was pulled by horses and which we will be very interesting to compare to the modern fire engines we have today when we visit Whitstable Fire Station on Monday.

Year R
Mrs Keeble and Mrs Jones

We have had another fantastic week of exciting learning in Reception. It was wonderful to spend some time getting to know our new teacher, Mrs Slater. She will be back again next week! In *Drawing Club*, the children were really inspired by our beautiful new book, 'The Hike,' using the words 'expedition' 'stamina' and 'discover.' Perhaps your child can tell you what the words mean? In Maths the children were exploring the properties of different 3D shapes and in music we composed and performed different patterns and songs, using our voices and musical eggs. In RE, the children enjoyed tasting some hot cross buns to help them remember what some Christians do on Good Friday, and we talked about the importance of the cross. In worship this week, we talked about what some Christians do in Thursday of Holy Week and one child from each class had their feet washed by Mrs Spinks; this reminded us that like Jesus, good leaders look after us and we need to care for one another. On Monday we will be going to Church for collective worship and on Wednesday, the children will be going on their own 'hike' to Tankerton Slopes.

Year 1
Miss Hughes and Mr Mead

We have had a super week in Year 1 and enjoyed lots of exciting learning. In English we designed and labelled our own pirate ships for 'Creation Week'. We also listed as many pirate nouns as we could think of, and wrote adjectives to describe as many of them as possible! These will help us with our writing next week in 'Production Week'. We are also very excited to dress as Pirates on Monday! Don't forget there is also an Easter Church Worship on Monday at 2:45: parents are welcome! We visited Whitstable Museum for our History, explored Cricket in our P.E Games, measured our beanstalks in cm for our Science/Maths and had lots of fun pouring and measuring amounts of water in Maths when learning about capacity and volume. It was wonderful to talk to so many parents during Parents Evening and we thank you for all your lovely comments! We have made some lovely cards for Sunday, make sure you check your child's bookbag to see our beautiful designs!

Year 2
Mrs O'Keeffe and Mrs Cohen

Year 2 have had another fun filled week! We enjoyed a trip to the beach on Monday and used our time there to use our senses and think of nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs. We then listened to the sounds we could hear and discussed onomatopoeia. We used this activity to write a repetitive poem about the beach. On Wednesday, we repeated this activity for the park and discussed the difference between our two poems based on the different settings. Some of us enjoyed performing our poems to the class on Friday too! In Maths we have been weighing the mass of objects. We used balance scales to compare the weight of objects before weighing them in grams. Next week we will be measuring volume and capacity and comparing the capacity of different containers. In Science we loved learning all about food chains and creating our own paper food chain for a chosen animal. We thought carefully about the plants and animals depending on the habitat. Next week we are looking forward to learning all about human and physical features in tropical and polar climates in Geography. We will be visiting the beach again on Monday to create a sculpture in art inspired by shell grottos. We will also be rounding up all of our football skills we have learnt this term by having a small match! Next week will consist of lots of Easter themed activities which we are very much looking forward to. Wishing you all a lovely weekend and Happy Mother's Day!
