

## Life in All its Fullness – Come and See



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## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026

### Home/School Value – Dignity

#### Year 5 - Installation Art



This term, Year 5 have been learning all about installation art, a type of art that changes the environment of a room or outside space. Inspired by pieces that they have seen and their study of the coral reefs in English, they have spent time creating their own under water immersive experience for the rest of the school to enjoy as they walk into the hall for lunch. They had enormous fun and it was great to see the engagement from the rest of the school.



#### Early Years - People Who Help Us

In early years this week we have been learning about people who help us. We had a visit from PC Harris and Lizzie, a sister at Rivers hospital. Both ladies talked to the children about their jobs and what they have to do and brought along some props for the children to explore.

PC Harris showed the children how to use a walkie talkie and let us try on some of her uniform. Lizzie brought along some bandages and protective equipment to wear. She let the children use her stethoscope to listen to their hearts.



The Early years children listened to every word and had 2 fabulous mornings.

Thank you PC Harris and Lizzie for giving us your time



## **Class Photographs**

The class photographs are now ready to view and purchase online. Please note that free delivery back to school date ends on the **15th May 2026**.

### **Every Day Counts**



Congratulations to Berry who won last week's draw on 1 May 2026!

She chose ...

**Well done!**



Congratulations to Lois who won this week's draw!

She chose a fidget toy.

**Well done!**

Better luck next week to everyone else.

## **EVERY DAY COUNTS!**

### **Attendance Spring Term**

	<b>Spring Term Totals</b>	<b>w/e 17/04</b>	<b>w/e 24/04</b>	<b>w/e 01/05</b>	<b>w/e 08/05</b>	<b>w/e 15/05</b>	<b>w/e 22/05</b>	
<i>Nursery</i>	87.8%	88.1%	88.5%	88.7%				
<i>Reception</i>	92.6%	92.7%	92.8%	92.7%				
Year 1	94.1%	94.3%	94.2%	94.4%				
Year 2	91.9%	92.0%	92.1%	92.2%				
Year 3	94.7%	94.8%	94.8%	94.9%				
Year 4	93.7%	93.9%	94.0%	94.0%				
Year 5	93.0%	93.1%	93.0%	93.0%				
Year 6	95.1%	94.7%	95.0%	95.0%				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>93.4%</b>	<b>93.5%</b>	<b>93.5%</b>	<b>93.6%</b>				

### **Midday Supervisor Position**

We are looking for support from 12 noon to 1.30 pm each day, term time only, starting w/b 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026. This could be just one person who can work daily, or could be several people over the week. A passion for working with children and being outdoors is essential. All other training will be provided.

Please call the school office on 01279 842626 to express your interest and to find out about pay and conditions.

## New School Lunch Summer Menu 2026

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		WEEK 1: 13 Apr, 5 May, 1 Jun, 22 Jun, 13 Jul, 1 Sep, 21 Sep, 12 Oct		WEEK 2: 20 Apr, 11 May, 8 Jun, 29 Jun, 20 Jul, 7 Sep, 28 Sep, 19 Oct		WEEK 3: 27 Apr, 18 May, 15 Jun, 6 Jul, 14 Sep, 5 Oct	
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
MAIN MEAL 1	Pork Sausages & Gravy	Beef Lasagne	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Quorn Burger (v)	Fish Fillet Fingers		
MAIN MEAL 2	Lentil Bolognese Pasta Shells (Ve)	Plant-Based Grill (Ve)	Cheese & Tomato Puff Pastry Tart (v)	Butternut & Chickpea Biryani (Ve) (New)	Margherita Pizza (v)		
SIDE DISH	Mashed Potatoes	Herby Garlic Bread or Potato Wedges	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Potato Wedges or Herby Garlic Bread	Chips or Tricolour Pasta		
JACKET POTATO FIXED	Beans & Cheese (v)	Grated Cheese (v)	Tuna Mayo	Beans & Cheese (v)	Baked Beans (Ve)		
COLD OPTION FIXED	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Ham Baguette	Egg Mayo Baguette (v)	Cheese Baguette (v)		
DESSERT	Peach & Apple Crumble & Ice Cream (v)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Raspberry & Lemon Square (v) (New)	Marble Cookie (v)		
MAIN MEAL 1	Chicken Curry	Plant-Based Meatballs with Tomato Sauce (Ve)	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Chicken Pie & Gravy	Battered Fish		
MAIN MEAL 2	Plant-Based Sausages & Gravy (Ve)	Mac 'n' Cheese (v)	Quorn Fillet with Stuffing & Gravy (Ve)	Mild Bean Chilli (Ve)	Margherita Pizza (v)		
SIDE DISH	Brown & White Rice or Potato Wedges	Pasta or Herby Garlic Bread	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	New Potatoes or Brown & White Rice	Chips or Tricolour Pasta		
JACKET POTATO FIXED	Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v)	Beans & Cheese (v)	Baked Beans (Ve)	Beans & Cheese (v)		
COLD OPTION FIXED	Cheese Baguette (v)	Egg Mayo Baguette (v)	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Ham Baguette	Salmon Mayo Baguette		
DESSERT	Apple Tart & Ice Cream (v)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Strawberry Mousse (v)	Chocolate Muffin (v)		
MAIN MEAL 1	Pulled Paprika Chicken Flatbread (New)	Beef Burger	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Quorn Hotdog (v)	Fish Fillet Fingers		
MAIN MEAL 2	Breaded Bean & Vegetable Grill (Ve)	BBQ Bean Loaded Hash Browns (Ve)	Roasted Summer Veg Quiche (v)	Cauliflower Cheese Pasta Bake (v) (New)	Margherita Pizza (v)		
SIDE DISH	Brown & White Rice or Pasta	Potato Wedges	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	New Potatoes	Potato Wedges or Tricolour Pasta		
JACKET POTATO FIXED	Salmon Mayo	Grated Cheese (v)	Baked Beans (Ve)	Grated Cheese (v)	Beans & Cheese (v)		
COLD OPTION FIXED	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Ham Baguette	Egg Mayo Baguette (v)	Cheese Baguette (v)		
DESSERT	Pancake with Blueberries (v)	Ice Cream with Chocolate Cookie Crumb (v)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Orange Shortbread (Ve)		

Vegetables and a variety of salads are served daily. V = Vegetarian Ve = Vegan.

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Please note the price for a children's meal is now £3.60.

### We are a Nut and Sesame-Free School

St Andrew's is a 'No Nut' school. Please do not bring any foods containing nut or sesame into school (including pesto and hummus). Thank you.



### Pupil Premium and Free School Meals

The school is aware that with the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) programme automatically providing all children up to the end of Year 2 with a free meal every day, many families do not apply for means-tested free school meal provision until their child reaches Year 3. **This could mean parents are missing out on other sources of support they are entitled to,** linked to household income and the benefits of associated pupil premium funding.

When your child reaches year 3 school meals become chargeable.



What is a Free School Meal? A KS2 school meal costs £3.60 per day. Multiply this by 190 (days in a school year) and **Free School Meals are worth £684 a year!**

Please see link below to check your eligibility:

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>

### Useful links

#### **St Andrew's School Website... did you know?**

We aim to make our school website a 'one stop shop' for information about our vibrant school.

<https://standrews236.herts.sch.uk/>

Here you can find information about your child's learning in all areas of the curriculum, a number of useful school policies, information about school uniform, upcoming events, links to outside school support and so much more! *If there is anything extra that you would like to see on our school website, do drop Mrs Dimond an email via the school office and we'll see what we can do.* Please find other useful links below:

### **Much Hadham Preschool**

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

### **In School**

#### **Amazon – Buy a Birthday Book Suggestion List**



Nursery and Reception: <https://amzn.eu/al6WYEG>

Year 1 and Year 2: <https://amzn.eu/fBRhfZI>

Year 3 and Year 4: <https://amzn.eu/jbNTsjQ>

Year 5 and Year 6: <https://amzn.eu/aQO9ylu>

#### **School Gateway**

<https://login.schoolgateway.com/0/auth/login>

#### **Hertfordshire Catering Ltd Special Dietary Menu Application (now called Citrus)**

[Special Diet Application - HCL](#)

**Hertfordshire Catering** <https://www.hcl.co.uk/parents/primary-school>

#### **School Uniform**

AVM Schoolwear: [Schoolwear – AVM Workwear and Embroidery Ltd](#)

E-squared/Top Form Uniform: [About Us - Top Form Schoolwear](#)

#### **Second Hand Uniform – from Friends of St Andrew's school**

Please email requests to : [friendsofstandrewsmh@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofstandrewsmh@gmail.com)

#### **External/other links**

#### **Hertfordshire Free School Meals**

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>

#### **DSPL Website**

[Developing Special Provision Locally \(DSPL\) 3 - Home](#)

#### **Hertfordshire Families First**

[www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/familiesfirst](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/familiesfirst)

#### **Pharmacies First**

[How pharmacies can help - NHS](#)

#### **East Herts Council – Keeping Safe Online**

[Get Safe Online | The UK's leading Online Safety Advice Resource](#)

## Diary Dates 2025-2026

**\*\* Parents and carers are invited to the events that are highlighted \*\***

**\*\* PTA Events \*\***

Monday, 11/05/2026 – Start of Y6 SATS Week

Thursday, 21/05/2026 – KS2 Sports Afternoon

Friday, 22/05/2026 – KS1 Sports Afternoon

Monday, 01/06/2026 – Friday, 05/06/2026 – Y6 Brenscombe Trip

Thursday, 02/07/2026 – Early Years Sports Morning

Tuesday, 14/07/2026 – KS2 Production

Monday, 20/07/2026 – Year 6 Leavers' Service at church AM *tbc*

Tuesday, 21/07/2026 – Term ends at 2 pm

Tuesday, 22/09/2026- Thursday 24/09/2026 – Y5 Aylmerton Trip

## Term Dates for 2025/2026

Summer Term 2026	
Monday, 13 April 2026	Term begins
Monday, 4 May 2026	May Bank Holiday – School Closed
Monday, 25 May to Friday, 29 May 2026	Half term
Monday, 1 June 2026	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Tuesday, 21 July 2026	Term ends 2pm
Wednesday, 22 July 2026	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Thursday, 23 July 2026	<i>Inset – school closed</i>

## Term Dates for 2026/2027

Autumn Term 2026	
Tuesday, 1 September 2026	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Wednesday, 2 September 2026	Term begins
Monday, 26 October - Friday 30 October 2026	Half term
Friday, 27 November 2026	<i>Occasional day – school closed</i>
Friday, 18 December 2026	Term ends 2pm
Spring Term 2027	
Monday, 4 January 2027	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Tuesday, 5 January 2027	Term begins
Monday, 15 February to Friday, 19 February 2027	Half term
Thursday, 25 March 2027	Term ends 2pm
Summer Term 2027	
Monday, 12 April 2027	Term begins
Monday, 3 May 2027	May Bank Holiday – school closed
Monday, 31 May to Friday, 4 June 2027	Half term
Monday, 7 June 2027	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Tuesday, 20 July 2027	Term ends 2pm
Wednesday, 21 July 2027	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Thursday, 22 July 2027	<i>Inset – school closed</i>

# School Noticeboard



**Please save the date - 27<sup>th</sup> July – 7<sup>th</sup> August**

## **What is Busy Week?**

Busy Week is our very own summer activity programme in the village; aptly named as it is busy by name, busy by nature. Although it is actually a fortnight!

The first week is a fantastic opportunity for your child to attend a week's course of intensive swimming lessons here in the village. The second week truly lives up to its namesake. A week jam-packed with fun activities and learning opportunities in everything from Art to Bell Ringing to Sports and zillions more! Both weeks are not to be missed so that's 2 weeks of the holidays sorted. Bookings will open soon so keep your eyes on our social media page "Much Hadham Busy Week" for announcements.

## **FAQs**

1. How do I qualify? *Every child aged up to 11 who lives in the parish of Much Hadham, Green Tye & Perry Green or attends St Andrew's primary school/Much Hadham Preschool aged 3+ is welcome.*
2. Can I drop off? *Busy Week differs from other summer camps in that it is not drop off rather it is a chance to experience a whole host of activities and enrich your child's hobbies and skills.*
3. How much is it? *Everybody pays the bargain price of £25 per child for Swim Week and £25 per child for Activity Week.*

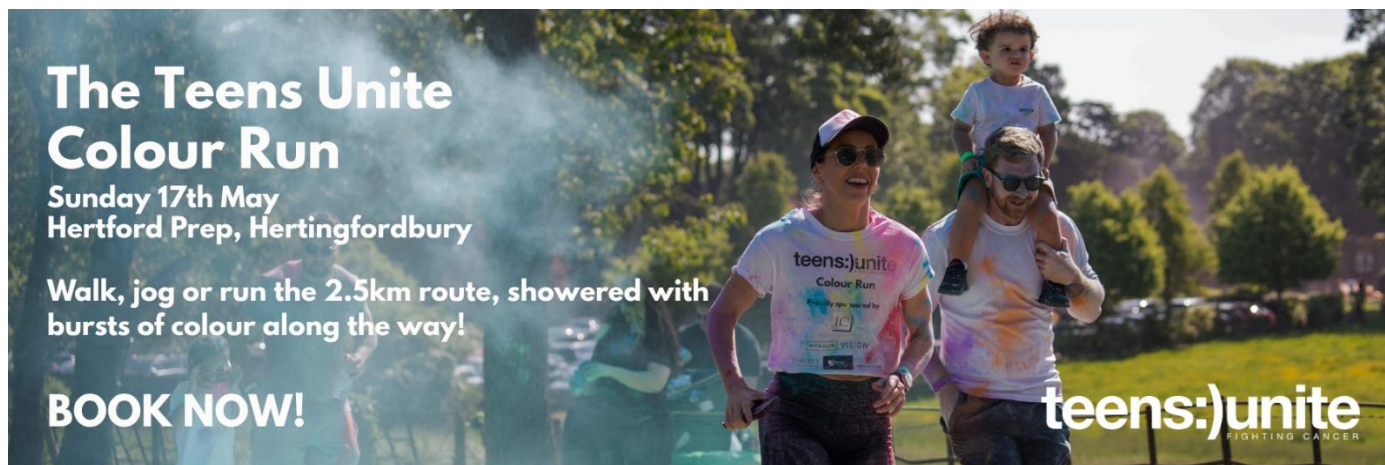
Any queries please email [info@busyweek.co.uk](mailto:info@busyweek.co.uk)

# The Teens Unite Colour Run

Sunday 17th May  
Hertford Prep, Hertingfordbury

Walk, jog or run the 2.5km route, showered with  
bursts of colour along the way!

**BOOK NOW!**



# Instrument Warriors

Calling all Key Stage 2 musicians! Join us for a fun and friendly orchestral workshop where children of all instruments (apart from piano or keyboard) and abilities can make music together, learn new skills, and feel part of an exciting team.

You'll play brilliant pieces, discover how an orchestra works, and make new friends who love music just like you. With supportive leaders, lots of energy, and plenty of smiles, this workshop is the perfect place to build confidence, try new challenges,



**JOIN US FOR A  
ORCHESTRAL WORKSHOP!**



**Friday 5th June**



**4.30pm - 5.30pm**



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**£5 per child**



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# Kids Choir Goes Rock!

Does your child love to sing? We're inviting children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to come together in this exciting, confidence boosting workshop to unleash their voices and their creativity.

Blending the energy of pop and rock music with the fun of group singing, this 60 minute session will give children the chance to learn new skills, make friends, and experience the thrill of performing as part of a vibrant musical community. It's all about joy, teamwork, and discovering just how powerful their voices can be.



**Friday 12th June**



**4.30pm - 5.30pm**



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**£5 per student**



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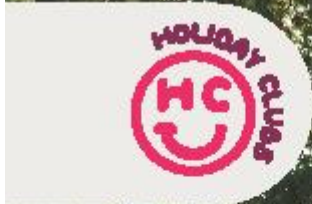
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**Fawbert & Barnard Infants School**, Sawbridgeworth, CM21 9AT 🙌  
22nd - 29th May 2026  
From £25.49 per day, 8am - 5:30pm

**St Mary's Junior School**, Ware, SG12 0RL 🙌  
26th May - 1st June 2026  
From £25.49 per day, 8am - 5:30pm

**Downfield Primary School**, Cheshunt, EN8 8SS 🙌  
26th - 29th May 2026  
From £25.49 per day, 8am - 5pm

**Northaw Primary School**, Potters Bar, EN6 4PB 🙌  
26th - 28th May 2026  
From £25.49 per day, 9am - 3pm

**Waltham Holy Cross Primary School**, Waltham Abbey, EN9 1LG 🙌  
26th - 2nd June 2026  
From £25.49 per day, 8am - 5:30pm



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