

Life in All its Fullness – Come and See



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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – 22nd May 2026

Home/School Value – Dignity

Sports Days

KS1 and KS2 Sports Days took place on Thursday and Friday this week in beautiful weather and were a fantastic success. Our children showed great enthusiasm, teamwork and determination throughout. The events were thoroughly enjoyed by all, and it was wonderful to see such a positive atmosphere across both days. We would like to thank the PTA for providing refreshments on such a hot day.



Rib were the winning team this year and they absolutely smashed it!

A very special thank you goes to Mrs Small for organising and coordinating such memorable events. We are incredibly proud of all the children for their effort, resilience and excellent sportsmanship.



Crucial Crew



On Wednesday, our Year 6 children attended the Bishop's Stortford Crucial Crew. Crucial Crew is a community event aimed at Year 6 pupils. There are workshops to prepare young people for transition to secondary school in September, teaching them how to keep themselves safe. Here are some photographs from the day.



A Thank You note from Jackie after the London Marathon

Dear Parents, Carers & Children

Thank you all for the amazing support I received in the build up to the 2026 London Marathon. Your kind words, donations, and good luck cards made by the children meant so much, and inspired me so much when I needed it most.

Special thank you to Amiee Nuttall for the amazing, crocheted daffodils she made for my hat, it drew so much attention, and also to Amy DeCosta Howells for giving up her time and collecting over £200 in cash on the crossing, during the week leading up to the marathon weekend.

Finally thank you to everyone one who donated to such an amazing charity, and for believing in me.

The final overall total (I'm proud to say) I raised for Marie Curie Nurses was £4,037.00.

My best wishes, and profound gratitude always for the immense support you all showed me.

Jackie

Every Day Counts



Congratulations to Myla who won this week's draw.

She chose an own clothes day voucher as her prize.

Well done!

Better luck next week to everyone else.

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Attendance Spring Term

	Spring Term Totals	w/e 17/04	w/e 24/04	w/e 01/05	w/e 08/05	w/e 15/05	w/e 22/05
Nursery	87.8%	88.1%	88.5%	88.7%	90.2%	90.3%	90.2%
Reception	92.6%	92.7%	92.8%	92.7%	92.6%	92.3%	94.6%
Year 1	94.1%	94.3%	94.2%	94.4%	94.4%	94.4%	94.5%
Year 2	91.9%	92.0%	92.1%	92.2%	92.2%	92.4%	92.5%
Year 3	94.7%	94.8%	94.8%	94.9%	94.9%	95.0%	95.1%
Year 4	93.7%	93.9%	94.0%	94.0%	94.0%	94.1%	94.1%
Year 5	93.0%	93.1%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%
Year 6	95.1%	94.7%	95.0%	95.0%	94.8%	94.9%	94.9%
Totals	93.4%	93.5%	93.5%	93.6%	93.6%	93.7%	93.9%

School Lunch Summer Menu 2026

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WEEK 1: 12 Apr, 5 May, 1 Jun, 22 Jun, 12 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 Lavagne	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Quorn Burger (V)	Fish Fillet Fingers	
MAIN MEAL 2	Lentil Bolognese Pasta Shells (Vv)	Plant-Based Grill (Vv)	Cheese & Tomato Puff Pastry Tart (v)	Butternut & Chickpea Burgoni (Vv) (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 (Vv)	
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 (Vv)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Vv)	Raspberry & Lemon Square (v) (New)	Marble Cookie (v)	
MAIN MEAL 1	Chicken Curry	Plant-Based Meatballs with Tomato Sauce (Vv)	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Chicken Pie & Gravy	Battered Fish	
MAIN MEAL 2	Plant-Based Sausages & Gravy (Vv)	Mac 'n' Cheese (v)	Quorn Fillet with Stuffing & Gravy (Vv)	Mix Bean Chili (Vv)	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 (Vv)	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 (Vv)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Vv)	Strawberry House (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 (Vv)	BBQ Bean Loaded Hash Browns (Vv)	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 (Vv)	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 (Vv)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Vv)	Orange Shortbread (Vv)	

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

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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

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

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, 01/06/2026 – INSET Day – school closed

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

Monday, 15/06/2026 – St Andrew's Big Kick Challenge

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

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

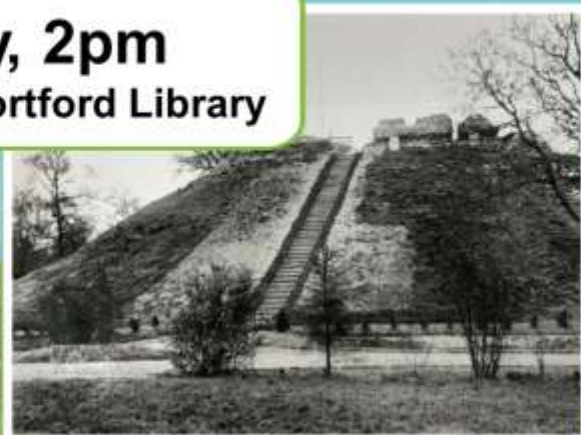
Summer Term 2026	
Monday, 13 April 2026	Term begins
Monday, 4 May 2026	May Bank Holiday – School Closed
Monday, 25 May to Friday, 29 May 2026	Half term
<i>Monday, 1 June 2026</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Tuesday, 21 July 2026	Term ends 2pm
<i>Wednesday, 22 July 2026</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>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

Term Dates for 2026/2027

Autumn Term 2026	
<i>Tuesday, 1 September 2026</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Wednesday, 2 September 2026	Term begins
Monday, 26 October - Friday 30 October 2026	Half term
<i>Friday, 27 November 2026</i>	<i>Occasional day – school closed</i>
Friday, 18 December 2026	Term ends 2pm
Spring Term 2027	
<i>Monday, 4 January 2027</i>	<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
<i>Monday, 7 June 2027</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Tuesday, 20 July 2027	Term ends 2pm
<i>Wednesday, 21 July 2027</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
<i>Thursday, 22 July 2027</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>



Friday 29 May, 2pm
Meet at Bishop's Stortford Library



History Walk for Children



Explore Castle Park's history and climb Castle Mound before returning to the library to create a **LEGO** castle.

Suitable for ages 6+

Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries
0300 123 4049

**ARCHIVE
EXPLORED**



Half term Bishop's Stortford Library

Bug Explorer's

Wednesday 27 May,
10.30am



Children aged 3-6 can enjoy stories and a treasure hunt in the library and then go for a bug hunt outside!
£4.40 per child, booking essential.

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries
0300 123 4049



Half term Bishop's Stortford Library

Sowing Stories

Thursday 28 May, 2pm



Collect your
free bookmark!

Get your little ones 'Growing into Reading' by enjoy a nature themed Storytime followed by a seed sowing activity.
Suggested donation £1 per child

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries
0300 123 4049

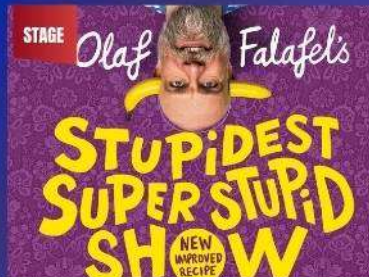


Coming to BEAM: Stage, Screen & Half Term Fun!

BEAM
STAGE SCREEN SOCIAL



Star Wars: The Mandalorian & Grogu (12A)
Fri 22 - Thu 28 May
As the New Republic protects everything the Rebellion fought for, they enlist the help of Din Djarin and Grogu.
[Find tickets>>](#)



Olaf Falafel's Stupidest Super Stupid Show
Sun 31 May, 11am & 2pm
Expect jokes, poos on pogo sticks, more jokes and truth-telling cheese.
[Find tickets>>](#)



Eric and Ern
Tue 26 - Fri 29 May
From the Olivier-nominated duo behind the critically acclaimed West End hit. Share the joy with grandparents! The ideal grandparent and grandchild treat!
[Find tickets>>](#)



BEAM Comedy Festival
23-24 May
Get ready for a full-throttle celebration of comedy, packed into one unforgettable weekend.
[Find events>>](#)



David Attenborough: Life on our Planet (PG)
Wed 27 May, 2.45pm
David Attenborough reflects upon both the defining moments of his lifetime.
[Find tickets>>](#)



Children's Corner: The Princess Bride (PG)
Sat 23 May, 11am
When Buttercup hears that her true love Westley is dead, she reluctantly marries the loathsome Prince Humperdinck.
Tickets £5 [Find tickets>>](#)



The Sheep Detectives (PG)
Fri 22 - Thu 28 May
George is a shepherd who reads detective novels to his sheep. But when a mysterious incident disrupts the farm, the sheep must become the detectives.
[Find tickets>>](#)



Coming this Summer
Dog Man: The Musical
Natural History Museum presents **Dinosaurs Live**
Group rates for holiday clubs



New menu now available Tue- Sat, from 9am
Freshly prepared in-house, our Kitchen offers Italian-inspired food and a Kid's menu. From breakfast items, ciabatta sandwiches to traditional pasta and seasonal soups.



BEAM, The Wash, Hertford, SG14 1PS

beamhertford.co.uk

HERTFORDSHIRE SEND RECRUITMENT EVENT

Meet employers from:

- Hertfordshire County Council
- Teach in Herts
- Social Care Services
- Health
- Charities that support Children and Young People
- Other support services in Hertfordshire

Are you interested in making a real difference to the lives of children and young people with special needs and disabilities (SEND)?



Event details:

17th June 2026 1pm and 4pm

Fielder Centre, Hatfield, AL10 9TP



Book your place today!





2026 MUCH HADHAM Annual Village Community Evening

Something is happening at the Recreation Ground
- and we want you to be part of it!



FREE Drinks & Nibbles ✨ *Everyone Welcome!*

TUESDAY 19th MAY 2026 • 7:00PM

at the Much Hadham Village Hall

The evening will include the Annual Village Meeting.
We can't wait to see you there – your ideas,
questions, and enthusiasm really matter.



Primary School Handball Tournament – Individual player registration for Year 5 and 6 students:

Our summer tournament registration is still open **Join now! IT IS COMPLETELY FREE**
It is free to sign up and they will have a fantastic day with lots of handball.

Individual player registration

<https://forms.gle/NNAMqnCn3vtHcf8r8>

The attached flyer/poster contains QR codes for the registration forms as well as competition information.

Bishop's Stortford Handball Club



**STORTFORD
HANDBALL**



Summer Cup
SATURDAY 4TH JULY

**YEAR
5&6
TOURNAMENT**

free to enter

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

09:30	REGISTRATION
09:45	WARM UP
10:00	MATCHES
12:00	PRESENTATION

SCHEDULE MAY CHANGE DEPENDANT ON ENTRIES

Contact us today
for more info
stortfordhandball@gmail.com
07940 392894

ENTER A SCHOOL TEAM
(MIN 5 PLAYERS)

NO TEACHER? NO PROBLEM
INDIVIDUAL PLAYER REGISTRATION

QUALIFIED COACHES ON HAND

**WINNER
WILL RECEIVE
STANNO
GIFTCARD**





DSPL3

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DSPL3 Parent Coffee Morning, 20th May 2026 10am - 11.30am, St Michaels, CM233SN

You are invited to a relaxed and supportive coffee morning designed to offer valuable information and networking opportunities.

- Connect with other parents and carers
- Share experiences and gain insights into various topics that matter to you
- Practical advice & emotional support
- Meet and chat with others in a similar situation
- Bring any questions or topics you'd like to discuss
- Professionals in attendance including Early Years, Outreach, Family Support, Behaviour Support, DSPL and SENDIASS

We look forward to seeing you there and fostering a strong, supportive community together!



Drop in at one of our local events to look at our selection of 9 alternative child friendly phones and talk about anything on your mind smartphone wise and kids!

Includes:
Karri, XploraOne, Nokia 105, The Phone, Doro 6820, Balance Phone, Pinwheel, The Other Phone, TCL

May

16th | Jackson Sq | 10-4

Jun

5th | Costa, Sainsbury's 12-2.30

6th | Northgate School*

8th | St Joseph's School**

19th | Much Hadham School*

28th | Summercroft School*

Jul

3rd | Little Hadham School**

8th | St Mary's School**

*Summer event open to families - afternoon
** Restricted to parents of the school



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Not The Only One

Opportunity to look at child friendly phone alternatives - starts this Saturday

If you're thinking about buying your child a smartphone, perhaps to support more independence, or ready for transition to secondary then you may be interested in checking out the range of child friendly alternative phones. All the benefits of being able to text and call (some with tracking) without the addictive stuff! We are running drop-in sessions to look, touch and feel some of these phones between May and July in and around Stortford. (See above)

on behalf of

Smartphone Free Childhood | Stortford Volunteer Team

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Facebook: Not The Only One



Little Birdie Books

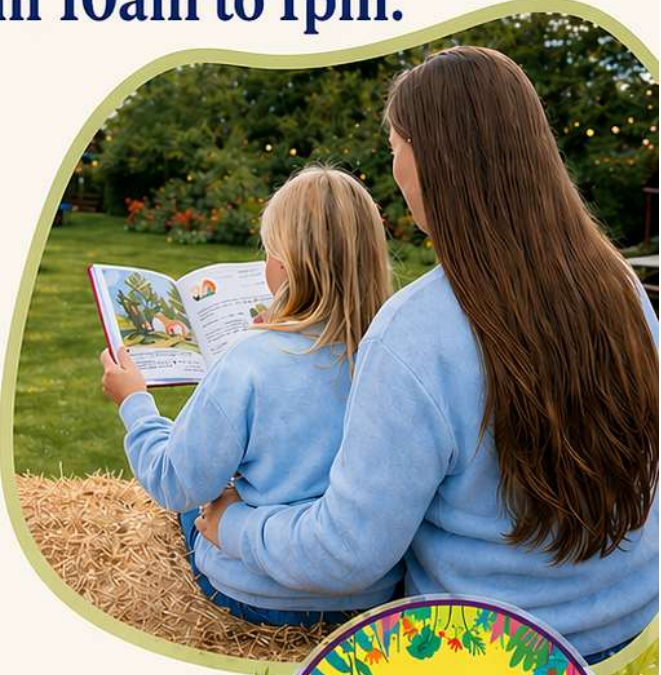
Join me at **Little Birdie Books** for an **enchanting pop-up bookshop**

♥ at Much Hadham Village Hall ♥

on 20th May, from 10am to 1pm.

Calling all parents, grandparents, and teachers—come along and explore a thoughtfully curated selection of books designed to inspire young minds, **nurture a love of reading**, and **support every stage of a child's reading journey**.

Whether you're helping a little one take their first steps into stories or looking to spark new excitement for books, you'll find something special here.



I look forward to welcoming you and sharing the joy of reading.
♥



Hertford Hornets Netball Club Taster day for children in Year 2 and Year 3:

QR code on the flyer or use this link below to sign up.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/14dwyv7ywr_7frszijl7-CsQRNuzbsMul3gBBdtmofE/edit?usp=drivesdk



Hertford Hornets
— JUNIORS —

Learn. Play.
Have Fun! ♥

TASTER DAY

FOR YEAR 3/4
(IN SEPTEMBER)

FOR CURRENT YEAR 2 & 3



 WEDNESDAY 10TH JUNE	 PRESDALES SCHOOL OUTSIDE COURTS	 5 – 6PM	 £5 PER PLAYER PAYABLE TO:
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Hertford Hornets Junior Netball Club Account Number: 50711802 Sort Code: 20-20-37	Ref: surname taster day
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 DON'T FORGET! All players will need to complete the registration form so we have their details recorded. (SCAN QR CODE)	 WHAT IS A TASTER SESSION? A fun session for those who might not have tried netball and would like to give it a go!	REGISTER HERE  Scan me!
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 **WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?**
Following on from the taster day, we will be holding Year 3 trials for September (date **TBC**) and we may invite some players from the taster day along.

— WE CAN'T WAIT TO MEET YOU! ♥ —



The Tudor Storyteller & Family Challenge Trail

May 30th from 11am
No need to book, just turn up!

Free event - Donations welcome
Much Hadham Forge Museum SG10 6BS
#HadhamMurals450 07483 113345

Funded by The David Webster Charitable Trust



HOLIDAY CAMPS

Join us for 5 hours of Fab Science fun in the holidays! Camps run 10am to 3pm and are open to all children aged 5-11 years.

For more information visit the Fab Science website.

CAMBRIDGE QUEEN EDITH SCHOOL 28th July
29th July
30th July
31st July

HERTFORD HERTFORD ST ANDREW 3rd August
4th August
5th August
6th August

SAFFRON WALDEN R A BUTLER SCHOOL 10th August
11th August
12th August
13th August

BISHOP'S STORTFORD THORN GROVE SCHOOL 17th August
18th August
19th August
20th August

ST ALBANS WHEATFIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL 24th August
25th August
26th August
27th August

DAY 1



FANTASTIC FORCES

Find out all about forces, friction and floating. Test out pulleys, gears and levers and learn how to make yourself super-strong!

DAY 2



WACKY RACES

Investigate incredible water-powered rockets and build mini hovercraft to race against your friends. Who will design the fastest rocket car?

DAY 3



RAINBOWS AND REFLECTIONS

Find out all about light in kaleidoscopes and rainbows, investigate shadows, mirrors and lenses and make your own periscope!

DAY 4



ZOOLOGY

Get up close to all sorts of animals with a visit from a mobile zoo. Design a habitat, investigate animal skeletons and learn about conservation.

BOOK NOW AT: FABSCIENCE.CLASSFORKIDS.IO

YOUR NEAREST HOLIDAY CLUBS...

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



🙌 Accepts tax free payments/childcare vouchers



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