



ST CATHERINE'S NEWS UPDATE

"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." (John 10:10)

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News from the Head....

Eco club

Huge thanks to Asher, Mrs Scott and Mr Shepherd, for taking our Eco Club on a little adventure this week. The children had a brilliant afternoon and have brought back lots of ideas to encourage wildlife around the school site. Seems that Mr Shepherd will be busy! Watch this space...



Summer fete— Friday 26th June after school

This year we are trialling the fete after school, instead of our usual Saturday event.

Is anyone daring enough to help run the BBQ this year? Please contact the office/Alex/Mrs Leslie if you are interested.

There are still plenty of spaces for sales tables - if anyone knows of someone who would like to come along and sell, please put them in touch with Alex.

The fete cannot run without YOU ALL - any volunteers for the day - again please contact Alex (FOSC Chair) – alijane83@hotmail.co.uk


PGL Parents meeting

Year 6 parents will have received a letter regarding a PGL meeting being held by the Year 6 Teachers for parents only, on Wed 20th of May at 5.15pm in the School hall. Please return your slip to confirm your attendance as soon as possible




Year 1 and 2 Reading



On Thursday 21st May, Friday 26th June and Monday 13th July, Year 1 and 2 parents are invited to come and read with their children in the classrooms at 8.25am until 8.40am.



Eco Club Bake Sale!



The **Eco Club** are going to be busy whisking, mixing, and baking!  We have volunteered to whip up some delicious biscuits and cakes to help a fantastic cause.

Please come along and grab a treat to support us:

-  **When:** Friday 15th May
-  **Time:** From 3:00 PM
-  **Where:** Outside the main hall

We are raising vital funds for **Herts Vision Loss**  , a brilliant local charity supporting people in our community living with sight loss.

Every penny counts, and all donations are gratefully received!  

We look forward to seeing you there for a sweet Friday treat!  

Our brand-new swim school is now open!
We can't wait for you to dive in!
Lessons from 3yrs+



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Chauncy School Pool, Park Road, Ware SG12 ODP

Menu Changes

Tuesday of week 2

Please note that due to a supply issue, Tuesday of week 2 will no longer be plant based meatballs but Diced Quorn (Ve) in Tomato Sauce.

There will be a couple of other changes shortly once our current stock runs out.

Tue 19th May

Quorn Hotdog (V)

Cauliflower Cheese Pasta Bake (V)

Jacket Potato



Thursday 21st May—Burger Day

Beef Burger or Quorn Burger (V)

with Baked Potato Wedges

or Jacket Potato with various fillings.

Served with Sweetcorn and Coleslaw

Dessert—Choice of desserts including Ice Lolly

Year 5 PGL Parents meeting

Year 5 parents are invited to a meeting regarding PGL on Wednesday 3rd June at 3.15 in the school hall. Please email admin@stcatherines.herts.sch.uk to confirm your attendance.

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
📍 East Herts Music Centre
🎟 £5 per student



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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,



📅 Friday 5th June
🕒 4.30pm - 5.30pm
📍 Bishops Stortford Music Centre
🎟 £5 per child



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Diary Dates

May

11th—15th SATs week
13th KS1 development day at Sele
15th Year 2 Castle Day - NO ASSEMBLY on this day
18th Year 6 K-Nex Challenge
18th—22nd Year 2 SATs week
18th Year 1 Maths learning café
18th—22nd Walk to School week
19th Cricket workshops
20th Cricket workshops
20th Year 2 Maths learning café 2.30pm
20th Year 6 PGL parents meeting 5.15pm
25th—29th Half term

June

1st-5th Careers week
3rd Year 5 PGL parents meeting 3.15pm
4th Year 6 Height and Weight
8th Phonics screening
10th Parent consultations *
11th Parent consultations *
12th The King's birthday family picnic *
14th—17th Year 6 PGL trip
15th Year 5 Wodson Games
18th Year 6 day off
22nd—26th Sports week
22nd KS2 sports day—9.15am
22nd KS1 sports day—1.15pm
24th FS sports day—9.15am
24th District Athletics at Wodson *
26th Fun Run
26th Friday—Summer Fete— from 3.-5.30pm
30th Year 5 Celtic Harmony trip *
30th Year 2 Topic learning café 2.30pm

July

2nd Year 1 Topic learning café 2.30pm
3rd Great Athletes visit
6th New Nursery and Reception parents welcome meeting 2pm & 5pm
9th Move Up Day—Year 6s to Secondary schools
9th New Reception taster lunch
10th Year 3 Fitzwilliam Museum trip
14th Year 5/6 play 6pm

15th Year 5/6 play 6pm
17th term finishes at 1.15pm

Summer Term 2025/2026

13th April—17th July 2026
Half term 25th—29th May
4th May—Bank Holiday—School closed
17th July—term ends 1.15pm

School year 2026/27

Autumn Term: 1st September—18th December 2026

INSET Day— Tuesday 1st September—school closed to pupils

Children return to school—Wednesday 2nd September

Half term : 26 October 2026 – 30 October 2026

INSET Day—Friday 27th November—school closed to pupils

Occasional Day—Monday 30th November—school closed

18th December—term ends 1.15pm

Spring Term: 4th January 2027—25th March 2027

INSET day—Monday 4th January—school closed to pupils

INSET day Friday 12th February 2027—school closed to pupils

Half term : 15 February 2027 – 19 February 2027

25th March—term ends 1.15pm

Summer Term: 12th April—22nd July 2027

Bank Holiday—Monday 3rd May—school closed

Half term : 31 May 2027 – 4 June 2027

21st July—term ends 1.15pm

INSET day Thursday 22nd July 2027

* information to follow

FOSC Corner

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