



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....

It's been a busy week at St Catherine's with lots of extra activities! Year 6 have just returned from their PGL residential visit, having had a great time enjoying a wide range of exciting activities together. First day back today and they are performing to their parents and Year 5 to share their Ukulele learning this year. Some of Year 5 also took part in the Wodson Games and enjoyed a range of sports - netball, ultimate frisbee and dance to name but three. Some of Y5/6 have taken part in a cricket tournament and some Y3/4 children competed in a golf tournament. Year 2 attended a concert at St Mary's, where they listened to a piano and violin performance (nb-lessons in both these instruments are available in school).



Finally, Year 1 opened their own sandwich shop in school and enjoyed designing and making their own packed lunch before having a picnic together in the park. I hear there was even an ice cream van... Thank you, as always, to our staff for organising all these enrichments for the children.



Looking ahead, we have Sports Week next week with sports days for everyone, as well as district athletics and our annual fun run, before the week ends with FOSSC's Summer Fete after school on Friday. The weather is looking warm for next week, so remember hats, water bottles and suncream every day please.



PE Kits

Can we please remind parents that children should have a PE kit in school **every day**. With Sports week coming up there will be additional PE lessons/extra activities are added to the school week and we have a limited number of spares that are used by multiple children.

Sports Day

Please find the timings for Sports Day below. Children can come to school on Sports day wearing their PE kits - children in Years 1-6 may wear a t-shirt in their house colour if they would like.

Nursery children should come to school wearing shorts, t-shirt and trainers.

KS2 Sports Day starts at 9.15am on Monday 22nd June.

KS1 Sports Day starts at 1:15pm on Monday 22nd June.

EYFS Stay & Play sports starts 9:15am on Wednesday 24th June.

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school all week as we are doing a range of different sports on different days.

Please also ensure that your child has a water bottle and hat and that suncream is applied before school. If the weather is cool, children can wear dark coloured joggers.

Can we please remind parents/carers that we have a strict no photo policy for safeguarding reasons and phones should be out of sight whilst on school grounds.



Non Uniform Day—Friday 26th June

We are having a non-uniform day on Friday 26th in return for donations of bottles and sweets for the summer fete. Not chocolate please as it will melt!

Summer fete— Friday 26th June after school

This year we are trialling the fete after school, instead of our usual Saturday event. This will mean that there is not an entrance fee BUT instead the prize cards will cost £1 each.

We have a food van coming which will be serving Burgers and Hotdogs.

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

Warmer Weather

Can we please remind parents that children should have a bottle of **water** in school every day and should not be bringing juice/squash to school.



We **recommend** that you apply a high factor sun cream on your children before they come to school and please also ensure your child has a hat in school every day. Please remember to name label their hats.

We also recommend that your child has a rain coat in their bag just in case the weather changes.

If you would like to purchase a St Catherine's school cap, please visit <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/foscware/index.cfm?event=shop>

Rosettes

Can we please remind parents that Head Teacher award rosettes need to be returned after a week of receiving it. Our stocks are running low. Thank you

Menu Changes

Every 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.

Every Monday of week 2

Please note that due to a supply issue, Monday of week 2 will now be Quorn Fillet in gravy (Ve) and not plant based sausages.

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

Learn to Ride courses

Dates & Times
HERTFORD, HARTHAM

July

- Monday 27th
- Tuesday 28th

August

- Monday 3rd
- Tuesday 4th

| Time |
|-----------------|
| 10.00 - 11.00am |
| 11.30 - 12.30pm |
| 1.30 - 2.30pm |

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Ukelele concert

Year 5 children will be performing a Ukelele concert for parents/carers on the following dates:

Year 5—10th July—2.40pm in the school hall

Year 1 and 2 Reading

On 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.

Diary Dates

June

22nd—26th Sports week

22nd KS2 (Yr3-6) sports day—9.15am

22nd KS1 (Yr1&2) sports day—1.15pm

24th FS (N&R) sports day—9.15am

24th District Athletics at Wodson

25th Year 6 water safety swimming lessons

26th Year 1&2 Reading 8.25am

26th Fun Run

26th Friday—Summer Fete— from 3.-5.30pm

30th Year 5 Celtic Harmony trip

July

1st Year 2 Topic learning café 2.30pm—Please note change of date

2nd Year 1 Topic learning café 2.30pm

6th New Nursery and Reception parents welcome meeting 2pm & 5pm

7th Year 4 Mayan Day

9th Move Up Day—Year 6s to Secondary schools

9th New Reception taster lunch

10th Year 3 Fitzwilliam Museum trip

10th Year 5 Ukelele Concert—2.40pm in the school hall

13th Year 1&2 Reading 8.25am

14th Church Service at St Mary's—10am—All welcome

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