

Stock Church of England Primary School

Newsletter: Friday 2nd October 2026



“Let their light shine” (Matthew 5:16)
Affinity - Aspire - Achieve

The week's news:

Gospel Values Celebration Certificates

Well done to the following children who have received certificates today for demonstrating our Gospel Values this week.

Perseverance:

Year 2:

Oscar C for working hard to improve his handwriting.

Year 3:

Oliver B for working hard in English this week.

Year 4:

Max S for showing fantastic enthusiasm for reading! Always being willing to read, and developing your reading skills with a brilliant, positive attitude.

Joshua E for working hard to learn his maths facts.

Year 5:

Margot T-H for always showing focus and hard work in all lessons

Tate J for working hard in all lessons

Year 6:

Erik M for working hard to learn his spellings.

Ava L for trying hard in all lessons this week.

Trust:

Reception:

Gracie S for always being ready to listen, learn and share her knowledge.

Year 3:

Zac A for always showing good learning behaviours.

Ivy S for always being keen to help out.

Compassion:

Year 3:

Oscar R for being a good friend when seeing an upset class mate.

Forgiveness

Year 2:

Nellie H for forgiving a friend who had been unkind to her.

Koinonia

Reception:

Bertie T for always being a great friend.

Year 1:

Penny-Luna M for always being helpful to adults and excellent effort in handwriting.

Year 6:

Megan J for encouraging others to follow instructions.

Thankfulness:

Year 2:

Gabriella H-C for always displaying beautiful manners.

Class Attendance



This week the award for highest attendance goes to Year Reception with 100%.

Every Day Matters. Attend today, achieve tomorrow.

Reception Tours 2027/28

If you have friends, family members, neighbours, or colleagues with school aged children, particularly those looking for a Reception place for September, please encourage them to visit us and see our school in action.

Our upcoming tour dates are:

Thursday 8th October 2026

Thursday 15th October 2026

Friday 6th November 2026

Friday 27th November 2026

Prospective families can book a place on a tour by contacting the school office at 01277 840265 or emailing admin@stock.essex.sch.uk.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Year 6 Football Tournament

On Thursday, nine girls across years 5 and 6 went to Mayflower to compete in the girl's football tournament. The girls played well and the competition was tough with many other more experienced teams playing. All nine girls showed great perseverance and never gave up playing their best. They won one game (4-0 - well done!) drew four and lost three. We finished a respectable 7th out of 9. Thank you to Mrs Cunnane for her help and support on the day and well-done girls!



Harvest Celebrations

The children performed remarkably well at this year's Harvest Celebrations. They have worked hard on their performances and showed the school's Gospel Values in their behaviour and attitude throughout the celebration services. Thank-you to all of the parents who came and supported the children, it is always a pleasure to welcome you into the school for these special events. We would also like to thank-you for your generosity in the Harvest donations this year, these will be collected by Billericay Foodbank on Tuesday.

Year 4 West Stow School Trip

Year 4 had a wonderful time visiting West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village! The children loved stepping back in time and finding out what life was like for the Anglo-Saxons.

They explored the fascinating Anglo-Saxon houses, handled real and replica artefacts, and learned lots about how people lived, worked and spent their daily lives. It was a fun-filled day with plenty of hands-on learning, and the children came away full of new knowledge and enthusiasm!



Year 5 Road Safety Talk and Walk

On Monday, Year 5 had a practical and interactive session on road safety to prepare them for the move towards independent travel. This included a classroom talk covering pedestrian safety, distractions, risk awareness, responsible behaviour and the green cross code. They then had a short roadside training session on road safety practice by the closest, safest road. The children behaved responsibly and safely throughout these sessions, listening to the instructor and following her directions clearly.

Harvest Service at All Saint's Church – Rota Club Cake Sale – 4th October

On Sunday 4th October, the Rota Club will be selling cakes made in school to the parishioners of the church. They will be raising money for the Billericay Foodbank.

Parents and children are warmly invited to attend the service and support the school council in their efforts. Mass will begin at 11am. We look forward to seeing you there.



Year 2 School Trip to Braintree Museum – 7th October

On Wednesday, Year 2 will be attending a school trip to Braintree Museum. This trip will enrich this term's History topic of 'School's in the Past'.

Year 6 School Trip to Braintree Museum – 8th October

The children in Year 6 will have a school trip to Braintree Museum on Thursday 8th October. This is to enhance the children's understanding of this term's History topic of 'World War II'.

Parent Consultations – 12th and 14th October

This week, your child should have brought home a letter on how to book a parent consultation. These consultations will be taking place on Monday 12th and Wednesday 14th October. If you would like to book a parent consultation then please return the booking slip to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. Please note that for children who usually have one-plan meetings, these will be taking place later in the school year so if your child has a one-plan, please book a parent consultation as normal.

Parking in Swan Lane

Last week I received an unhappy email from a resident who had been blocked in on their drive by a parent on Swan Lane. Please remember to park considerately when dropping off and collecting your children. Do not park across or over residents' driveways, as this can prevent people from accessing their homes. The village hall is available for parking and is only a short walk away, so please use it where possible. Thank you for helping to keep the area safe and accessible for everyone. Mr Roberts.

PTA News

Monthly Lottery Draw

Our Lottery draw took place at this morning's assembly with the children enjoying taking part and choosing the first 3 winning balls of this fundraising event.

The winners are

- **1st Place winning £40 is Jessica T in Year 4**
- **2nd Place winning £17 is Oliver R in Reception**
- **3rd place winning £12 is Madeleine P in Year 4**

Well done to the winners and Good Luck to everyone taking part in next month's draw which will be held on the last Friday of the month. In the event of non-school days the draw will take place 1 week early. Letters will be coming home today to everyone who has purchased a lottery ball(s) confirming the chosen/allocated numbers.

Break the Rules Day -9th October

As our first Break the Rules Day of the school year is being held on Friday 9th October, the event is now live on PTA Events. The children can break up to 10 rules of the rules listed with a 'fine' of 50p per rule. Just add how many rules each child will be breaking and pay the 'fine'. Please note that school uniform, apart from items mentioned on the poster, must be worn and all other rules apply. Please see the poster for the rules to be broken, which will also be sent out via the class reps.

Christmas Fayre - Saturday 21st November

We will soon be adding the festive 'Visit Santa' event on PTA Events so that you can book your child's visit to avoid disappointment on the day. The visit will be £5 and will include a little gift. We have something special lined up for their visit this year so watch this space!

We try to limit asking for donations from parents as much as we can but as the raffles are so popular we will be asking for your help again by asking for hamper item donations. A list will be going out soon via your class reps and we would be very grateful if you could provide any of the items listed or surprise us with something different. We will be including voucher donations in the hampers, from local companies this year, which we hope the winners will enjoy.

Christmas Wrap 3rd (KS1) & 4th (KS2) December

We have decided to increase the price of the wrap gifts to £3.50 this Christmas. We have kept the price as low as possible for many years now but we have struggled to continue to find suitable gifts and still fundraise when charging a lower amount. We hope you understand and will continue to support us this year. The event will be going live soon on PTA Events for you to choose how many gifts your child would like to purchase and to list who the gifts are for.

Pre-Loved School Uniform

We are thrilled to share that we are now live on 'Uniformd' which is an on-line platform for the sale of our second-hand school uniform. We understand that parents are not always able to visit our sales in the playground so this allows everyone to view our stock.

Please visit <https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/stock-c-of-e-primary-school> to browse and purchase. The PTA will then pack your order and have it ready to collect from the school office, usually within a week.

All items are in used but good condition with no rips, tears or large stains. The PTA washes all donations in non-bio washing liquid before listing.

Please note this service is run by the PTA, not the school so please email ptauniform.stock@gmail.com with any queries.



Dates for Your Diary

October

4th – Harvest Service at All Saint's Church – Rota Club
 Cake Sale (Parents Invited)
 7th – Year 2 School Trip to Braintree Museum
 8th – New Intake for Reception 2027 Tour 9.30am
 8th – Year 6 School Trip to Braintree Museum
 9th – PTA -Break the Rules
 12th – Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.30pm (Parents Invited)
 13th - Bikeability Group 3, Year 6
 14th - Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.30pm (Parents Invited)
 16th – Flu Vaccination Programme
 16th - New Intake for Reception 2027 Tour 9.30am
 19th – 30th Half Term

November

2nd – Pupils Return to School
 2nd - Bikeability Group 4, Year 6
 5th – Reception Road Safety Talk 2.15pm (Parents Invited)
 6th - New Intake for Reception 2027 Tour 9.30am
 10th – Individual School Photographs
 11th – Year 6 War Memorial Service 11am
 24th - Bikeability Group 5, Year 6
 21st – PTA Christmas Fayre
 27th - New Intake for Reception 2027 Tour 9.30am

December

1st – Choir Performance to Over 60s Club
 3rd – Year 2 Dress Rehearsal, 9.15am
 3rd - Year 2 Nativity Performance, 2.30pm (Parents Invited)
 3rd and 4th – PTA Christmas Wrap
 8th – Pantomime Years 1-6
 9th – KS2 Dress Rehearsal
 10th – KS2 Christmas Performance (Parents Invited)
 11th – Decoration Day (Parents Invited)
 11th – Carols at the Bakers Arms
 14th – RockSteady Concert, 9.15am KS2 and 10.30am KS1 (Parents Invited)
 14th – Reception/Year 1 Dress Rehearsal
 16th – Reception/Year 1 Christmas Performance, 9.15am (Parents Invited)
 18th – Last Day of Term
 21st – Christmas School Holidays

February

10th – PTA School Disco
 15th – 19th February Half Term
 22nd – Pupils Return to School

March

1st – Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.30pm (Parents Invited)
 3rd - Bikeability Group 1, Year 5
 3rd - Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 6.30pm (Parents Invited)
 4th and 5th - Bikeability Group 2, Year 5
 4th and 5th – PTA Mother's Day Wrap
 11th and 12th - Bikeability Group 3, Year 5
 18th – PTA Wonka Ticket
 22nd – RockSteady Concert, 9.15am KS2 and 10.30am KS1 (Parents Invited)
 26th March – 9th April Easter School Holidays

April

12th – Pupils Return to School

May

10th – 14th SATS week
 21st – 24th - Year 6 Residential Trip
 31st May – 4th June – May Half Term

June

17th and 18th – PTA Father's Day Wrap
 21st – Residential Trip Meeting for Current Year 5 Parents, 2.30pm (Parents Invited)

July

2nd – Sports Day (Parents Invited)
 10th July – Flower Festival
 16th – Reserve Sports Day (Parents Invited)
 19th - RockSteady Concert, 9.15am KS2 and 10.30am KS1 (Parents Invited)
 22nd – PTA Summer Party
 23rd – Last Day of Summer Term