

SILCHESTER CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Compassion, Courage & Respect

Dear Families of Silchester,

Year 6 SATs

Next week, year 6s across the nation will be taking part in the Standard Assessment Tests (SATs). As SATs approach, we want to take a moment to say how incredibly proud we are of all our children. They have worked hard throughout the year and shown fantastic progress, resilience and a positive attitude towards their learning, which is something to truly celebrate.

While SATs are an opportunity for children to show some of what they have learned, they are only one small part of their school journey. Each child is so much more than a test score, with unique strengths, talents and qualities that cannot be measured in a single week. We will continue to support and encourage them to do their best, while reminding them that feeling confident, happy and proud of their efforts is what matters most – echoed in this poem!

Friday 15th is a time for celebration and as well as having an end-of-term party, Miss Dadral will reveal their end of year performance! Rehearsals will start in earnest after the holidays!

SATs don't measure sport,
SATs don't measure art,
SATs don't measure music,
Or the kindness in your heart.

SATs don't see your beauty,
SATs don't know your worth,
SATs don't see the reasons,
You were put on this earth.

SATs don't see your magic,
How you make others smile,
SATs don't know how quickly,
You can run the Daily Mile,

SATs don't hear your laughter,
Or see you've come this far,
SATs are just a tiny glimpse,
Of who you really are.

So sitting at your table,
with a pencil and your test,
Remember SATs aren't who you are,
Remember **YOU'RE THE BEST!**

Haydee Waldron Jones (2018)

YEAR 6
BAKE SALE
FUNDRAISER
THURSDAY 21st MAY
in school during break
&
after school
CASH ONLY
ALL CAKES
50p/£1

🍰 YEAR 6 BAKE SALE – THURSDAY 21st MAY 🍰

Come along and support Year 6 as they raise money for their leavers' party!

The bake sale will be held during break time and after school (outside the Year 6 classroom).

- 🌟 Delicious homemade treats
- 💰 Only 50p/£1
- 🌱 Nut-free, with gluten-free & vegan options
- ⚠️ Cash only

Year 6 parents: please let us know if you're able to bake so we can plan numbers. Cakes can be dropped off to the Year 6 classroom on the morning of the sale.



A Police Visit to School

This week, Ladybirds and Chestnut class enjoyed a special visit from the police, learning all about the career of policing and how officers help keep our community safe.

The children were excited to see the police van up close and loved trying on parts of the uniform, making it a fun and memorable experience for everyone – especially the siren!

Walk to School Week

As a school, we will be taking part in Walk to School Week, which runs from Monday 18 May to Friday 22 May. This is a great opportunity for families to enjoy some fresh air together while helping children practise important road safety skills such as **stop, look, listen and think**.

Walking to school also helps reduce congestion, encourages healthy habits, and gives children time to chat about their day. Even if you can't walk the whole way, parking a little further from school and walking the final part of the journey still counts!

Our JRSO's will be leading an assembly in school during the week on the green cross code as well as promoting the health and environmental benefits of walking to school.

Please see the poster for more information.

WALK to SCHOOL WEEK 2026
 Monday 18 May - Friday 22 May

Designed by Kerim from Four Lanes Federation

Your school is supporting **'Walk to School Week'**
 Monday 18 May - Friday 22 May

How can I help?

- Walk with your child and discuss potential hazards such as driveways, junctions, parked cars and bends
- Work out together the safest route even if this involves a slightly longer journey
- Let your child suggest places to cross and discuss their choice
- Practice the green cross code on your way to and from school - reminding them to stop, look, listen and think

I don't have time to walk!

- Park the car some way from the school gates and walk the last part of the journey

What are the advantages of walking?

- Try to find time to walk with them once during the week
- Your child will qualify for a certificate if either option is taken
- The chance to teach important road safety skills
- The chance to learn about the local environment
- A chance for a chat about the day
- Less congestion at the school gate
- A healthier way to start the day

stop look listen think

Hampshire County Council

THINK

PTA News!

Pre-loved Uniform - Purchasing

We have plenty of preloved items – jumpers, cardigans, trousers, skirts and pinafores. If you wish to purchase pre-loved uniform items please contact Lizzie West via Facebook to check availability. Items are charged at £2 for logo items, and 50p per grey items. All funds go directly to the PTA Payment is via bank transfer or cash.

Name: Silchester School PTA

Account number: 00387022

Sort code: 30-18-45

Please reference 'uniform'.



Donations

- We do not need any more grey uniform items or white polo shirts (even those with logos) as we have a considerable number in stock already.
- We will welcome donations of jumpers and cardigans with the school logo. Please pass to the school office, for the attention of Lizzie West.



Stikins

We have teamed up with 'Stikins', meaning we can now earn 30% commission on all orders placed – just use our fundraiser number **17969**

World Record Attempt



A shout-out to all the Dads – we need your muscles for a PTA fundraising endurance rowing world record attempt!

Starting at **8am on Friday 16th May and finishing at 10am on Sunday 18th**, we will attempt to row for 50 continual hours on a single Concept 2 rowing machine to hopefully break the current male record of 48 hours – and we need you all!!

If you **fancy popping down for a ten minute rowing session** (or 12!!) during morning, noon or night, then please, please do contact Dave Holby-Wolinski. It would be amazing to see you and many man hugs shall be bestowed upon you.

Absolutely no pace or skill required (that will be hugely apparent from the team we've pulled together!!) - just a giggle, great coffee and a fab opportunity to raise funds for our wonderful school. And of course every one of Dad Rowers will receive a World Record Certificate from Concept2 if we can make it through. The payoff being that you will despise rowing machines for evermore 😊

So hoping you can join the team – we need you 😊

<https://wonderful.org/fundraisers/NPbg3>

Any available chaps are able to **see if there's a timeslot that works** for them & **book their name in** 😊

 [50 Hour Rowathon Timetable.xlsx](#)

"Treat Tuesday"

**PTA ICE LOLLY SALE
EVERY TUESDAY
AFTER SCHOOL**



SILCHESTER VILLAGE HALL
1926 to 2026

Silchester Rainbows, Brownies and Guides are hosting a

Jumble Sale

Drop off
18th April & 9th May 2026
9.30 - 11.00
Or we can arrange a collection
or pass to your Brownie to deliver.

If you need a collection from your home, please contact
kirstie.jones@btinternet.com

SILCHESTER'S GOT TALENT

SAVE THE DATE!

Friday 12th June 2026

Can you sing, dance, act, tell jokes, juggle, perform magic tricks, play a musical instrument, recite a poem, do keepy uppies, do gymnastic tricks, or any other amazing talent?

Then you need to enter Silchester's Got Talent!

Open to all year groups!

Bar and tuck shop will be open!

Details of how to enter will be shared soon.
(Silchester's Got Talent is only open to Silchester School pupils.)

Future Events

Treat Tuesday – lolly sales at the end of the day every Tuesday (weather permitting)

Break the Rules Day – Friday 22nd May

Bag2School Collection – Thursday 4th June

Silchester's Got Talent – Friday 12th June

Colour Run – Friday 3rd July

Minutes of the last meeting now available on the school website.

Date of next PTA meeting Tuesday 2nd June 8pm @ The Calleva Arms

Upcoming Dates

DATE	EVENT
30 th April, 7 th May, 14 th May, 21 st May	Sycamore Class Swimming Lessons
Monday 11 th – Thursday 14 th May	Year 6 SATs
Thursday 14 th May	The Big School Workout with Joe Wicks
Monday 18 th – Friday 22 nd May	Walk to School Week
Thursday 21 st May	Year 6 Bake Sale
Friday 22 nd May	PTA Break the Rules Day
Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Monday 1 st June – Friday 5 th June	WOW Week – Inclusion Outdoors!
Monday 1 st June	WOW Basketball – Britain’s Tallest Man visit
Thursday 4 th June	Bags2School Collection
Friday 5 th June	Sports Day (first attempt!)
Tuesday 9 th June	PTA Meeting – 8pm at The Calleva
Friday 12 th June	Silchester’s Got Talent
Monday 15 th June – Friday 19 th June	Ladybirds Cycling Proficiency Week
Thursday 18 th June	Whole School Pilgrimage to the church
Thursday 18 th June	After School Book Sale for Dyslexia Resources
Tuesday 23 rd and Wednesday 24 th June	BPSM Choir Performances at The Anvil
Thursday 25 th June	Year 6 Leavers Service at Winchester Cathedral
Tuesday 14 th and Wednesday 15 th July	Year 5 and 6 End of Year Production
Wednesday 15 th July	Sycamore Class River Study Field Trip
Friday 17 th July	Year 6 Paulton’s Park Trip
Friday 17 th July	The Secret Garden Production in school
Monday 20 th July – 6:30pm-8:30pm	Year 6 Leavers Party
Tuesday 21 st July at 9:30am	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Wednesday 22 nd July	FIRST DAY OF SUMMER HOLIDAYS
Wednesday 2 nd September	FIRST DAY OF NEW SCHOOL YEAR
Amazon Wish List	https://amzn.eu/diet9uj

And as advanced notice (should you wish to plan ahead for holidays/childcare) here’s our INSET Days for 2026/2027:

- Tuesday 1st September 2026
- Monday 4th January 2027
- Monday 22nd February 2027
- Friday 28th May 2027
- Wednesday 21st July 2027

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend and I’ll look forward to seeing you at the gate on Monday.

Rachel Moir

Rachel Moir
Head of School



What if you could explore your SEND Local Offer in person, on one day?



Join us at an event near you to find out about your local special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) support.

Our Discovery Days offer a welcoming space for families to explore the wide range of local services and support available. They provide the chance to speak directly with the teams who work with children and young people with SEND, helping families access timely information, early support, and meaningful connections within their community.

Families can expect

- Opportunities to meet professionals from key SEND services
- Information stands from charities, providers, and community organisations
- General support and advice for children and young people aged 0 to 25
- Signposting to early help, assessment pathways, and inclusive activities
- A welcoming, relaxed environment where families can explore at their own pace



connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/localoffer



Calendar of events this spring

Lyndhurst Community Centre , Main Car Park, Lyndhurst SO43 7NY	Friday 20 March	2pm to 6pm
Leigh Park Community Centre , Dunsbury Way, Leigh Park, Havant PO9 5BG	Saturday 21 March	10am to 1pm
Andover Community Church , Charlton Rd, Andover SP10 3JH	Thursday 26 March	2pm to 6pm
Farnborough Library , Pinehurst Roundabout, Farnborough GU14 7JZ	Tuesday 14 April	2.30pm to 6pm
Hampshire County Council HQ , Elizabeth II Court, The Castle, Winchester, SO23 8UJ	Monday 20 April	1pm to 5pm
Xperience Youth Centre , 70 Trinity St, Fareham PO16 7SJ	Tuesday 28 April	12pm to 4pm
Gosport Discovery Centre , High St, Gosport PO12 1BT	Thursday 30 April	2.30pm to 6pm
Alton Maltings Centre , 2 Maltings Close, Alton GU34 1DT	Thursday 7 May	2pm to 6pm
Basingstoke Discovery Centre , Potters Walk, Basingstoke RG21 7LS	Tuesday 12 May	2pm to 6pm
Pavilion on the Park , 1 Kingfisher Rd, Eastleigh SO50 9LH	Friday 15 May	2pm to 6pm
Petersfield Festival Hall , Heath Rd, Petersfield GU31 4DZ	Monday 18 May	2pm to 6pm

To find more details on these events, or for further information on the Hampshire Local Offer, visit connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/localoffer or scan the QR code.



SPRING SUMMER MENU 2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MENU KEY:
WEEK ONE						
Option One	Macaroni Cheese	Phat Pasty Park Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spagheti Bolognaise	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce	
Option Two	Chickpea Curry with Rice	Mild Mexican Chili with Rice	Roasted Quorn, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce	
Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	
Dessert	NEW Banana Mousse	Strawberry Jelly with Mandarins	Fruit Platter	Apple Flapjack	Orange drizzle Cake	
WEEK TWO						
Option One	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Beef Chilli with Rice	Pork Sausage, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken Burger in a bun with wedges	Battered Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce	
Option Two	Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Spagheti & Meat free balls in a Tomato Sauce	Veg Wellington, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spinach & Cheese Whirl with Rice	NEW Cheesy Broccoli Frittata with Chips	
Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	
Dessert	Iced Vanilla Sponge	Peaches & Ice Cream	Freshly Chopped Fruit Salad	Jam Sponge with Custard	Oaty Cookie	
WEEK THREE						
Option One	Tomato Pasta	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges	Roast Pork, Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken Korma with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce	
Option Two	NEW Chinese Vegetable Noodles	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with wedges	Vegetable Loaf with Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	All Day Vegetarian Breakfast	Cowboy Sausage and Bean Hotpot	
Sides	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	
Dessert	Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Cheese & Crackers	Fruit Medley	Apple Crumble with Custard	Vanilla Shortbread	
AVAILABLE DAILY:	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings, Salad Bar, Freshly Baked Bread, Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt					

If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods, please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.

PICNIC BAG MENU

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
W E E K 1	CHEESE SANDWICH	HOT DOG	CHEESE SANDWICH	PIZZA	FISHFINGERS IN A BUN
W E E K 2	PIZZA	CHEESE SANDWICH	HOT DOG	CHICKEN IN A BUN	HAM SANDWICH
W E E K 3	HOT DOG	PIZZA	CHEESE SANDWICH	HAM SANDWICH	FISHFINGERS IN A BUN

All picnic bags will include vegetable sticks, cucumber slices, apple slice, orange segment and a pudding