

SILCHESTER CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Compassion, Courage & Respect

Dear Families of Silchester,

Year 6 SATs

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 pupils for the fantastic way they approached their SATs. Throughout the week, they showed determination, resilience and a wonderfully positive attitude, giving their very best and supporting one another every step of the way. Well done guys! I'd also like to give a special shout out to Miss Dadral and the whole year 6 team who have worked their socks off to give every child the best opportunity.

An important milestone has now been reached, and there is so much to look forward to as they enjoy their final term of primary school. Exciting celebrations lie ahead, including the special service at Winchester Cathedral, the much-anticipated end-of-year production, a thrilling trip to Paulton's Park and many other memorable events. These moments will be a joyful celebration of their journey so far and a chance to reflect on all they have achieved as they prepare for the next chapter.

P.S. School Rules still apply even in life after SATs!!

Lots of Love in Ladybirds!

Ladybirds have been loving the start of their wedding topic this week! We have shared photos of their parent's weddings, made their own rings and enjoyed dressing up in Mrs Dowling's wedding dress! They will continue their wedding theme by looking about how marriages are celebrated in different cultures and religions.

🍰 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.




WALK to SCHOOL WEEK 2026

Monday 18 May - Friday 22 May

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

Designed by Kerim from Four Lanes Federation



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

THINK

Hampshire County Council

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.

WOW Week for Inclusion in Sport

The first week back after half term will be our next WOW Week. As well as learning about sports across the world and across diversities, the children will also:

- Meet and have a basketball workshop with Paul Sturgess, Britain's Tallest Man and former Halem Globetrotter.
- Take part in inter-house sports competitions.
- Trial buddy time sports coaching to practice sportsmanship.
- Have an Inclusion Forest Schools session.
- Finish the week with Sport's Day!

Children are invited to come into school wearing their **PE kits all week from Monday 1st June to Friday 5th June.**



Forest School Session during WOW Week

Children will also have an additional Forest Schools Session during WOW Week. Therefore, please see the poster about needing Forest Schools clothing for those sessions. There will be repeat information next week and we'll send out reminders after half term!

As we will be taking the children in smaller groups, these have been organised via year groups.

Year R will be sticking to their normal Muddy Monday's and Year 6 have chosen to save their Forest School Day until later in the term.

For our WOW week, children will be joining Miss Heeks for Forest School! We have split the children up into small groups within their year groups.

- **Tuesday- Year 1 and 2**
- **Wednesday- Year 3 and 4**
- **Thursday- Year 5**

On this day, please can your child come into school in Forest School clothing which should be trousers and long sleeves.

If it is raining, please bring a coat and wellies as we will still go out regardless of the weather!

Sport's Day

As we want to celebrate all we've learnt throughout the week by ending on Sport's Day, this year, the races will take place in the afternoon. On Friday 5th June, if you're available, everyone is welcome to join us for a picnic lunch on the school field starting at 12:00. Races will then commence throughout the afternoon. The kitchen will offer picnic bags to anyone who would still like to order a school lunch.

Sports Day

Friday 5th June

This year, we are inviting parents to join us for our races which will take place in the afternoon. Parents are invited to join us for lunch on the field where you can set up picnics.

You can collect your child from their marquee where you can sign them out just after 12. Children will then need to return to the marquee at 1pm for a 1:15 start.

If anyone can please help set marquees up either Thursday afternoon/evening or Friday morning, please let us know 😊

Silchester's Got Talent

We are delighted to let you know that Silchester's Got Talent is back this year on Friday 12th June. If your child would like to take part (either as an individual act or as part of a group) sign up forms are now available from the school office. Spaces are limited and will be allocated on first come first serve basis. We will confirm your act participation via email.

Only one act per person/group please!

Deadline for submissions is 3:15pm on Friday 22nd May - we won't be able to accept any late entries. Instructions on how to return forms, pay the sign up fee etc. are detailed on the form. Any questions please contact the PTA via email, Facebook or via a class rep on WhatsApp.



SILCHESTER'S GOT TALENT

Friday 12th June 2026

Doors 5.30pm, show starts 6pm in the School Hall

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!



Only £3 per person to enter!



**Limited spaces!
Open to all year groups!**

Food stall, bar and tuck shop will be open!

Entry forms are available from the School Office.

Please return the form and £3 entry fee (per person) to the PTA via the School office in a sealed envelope by **Friday 22nd May**.

Limited spaces. Strictly first come first served basis.
We will not be able to accommodate any late entrants after 22nd May.

(No unsupervised children allowed to spectate.
'Silchester's Got Talent' is only open to Silchester School pupils.)



PTA News!

THIS WEEKEND - 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** 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 😊



If you can spare some time to go along and cheer the team on it would be amazing. Show your support by making a donation:

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

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**

Silchester School PTA

BREAK the RULES DAY



Rules to be broken include:

1. Wear school uniform
2. Bring a healthy lunch or snack
3. Have neat hair
4. No temporary tattoos
5. No nail varnish
6. No make-up
7. Wear school shoes only
8. Fill your water bottle with water only

Here's how it works:

When?

22 May 2026



Pay £1 for every rule you would like to break, up to a maximum of 5 rules. (cash on the day)
Beware the teachers might break some rules too!

Parentkind
Member Association

"Treat Tuesday"

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



**SAVE THE DATE!
Friday 12th June 2026**

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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

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 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 in Sport – PE Kits Every Day!
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

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 Bolognese	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	Whole grain
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	Plant based
Option Two	Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Spaghetti & 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	Added plant protein
WEEK THREE						
Option One	Tomato Pasta	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges	Roast Pork, Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken Korma with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce	Chef's Special
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