

SCHOOL TERM DATES 26/27

- Friday 23rd October- Non pupil day
- Monday 26th October- Half Term
- Monday 2nd November- Non- pupil day
- Tuesday 3rd November- Return to school
- Monday 21st December- Christmas Holidays
- Monday 4th January- Non-pupil day
- Tuesday 5th January- Return to school
- Monday 15th February- Half term
- Friday 26th March- Bank Holiday
- Monday 29th March- Bank Holiday
- Tuesday 30th March- Easter Holidays
- Monday 12th April- Return to school
- Monday 3rd May- Bank Holiday
- Friday 28th May- Non-pupil day
- Monday 31st May- Bank Holiday
- Tuesday 1st June- Half Term
- Monday 7th June- Return to school
- Thursday 22nd July- Start of school holidays 2027



A Message from Headteacher

It has been another busy and successful fortnight at Silver End Academy, with lots of exciting learning and opportunities taking place across the school.

Last week, we focused on our school value of Honesty. We shared the story *The Boy Who Cried Ninja* and discussed the importance of telling the truth and taking responsibility for our actions. This week, we were incredibly proud to hear from our Year 6 pupils who bravely delivered their Head Pupil speeches. It takes a great deal of courage to stand in front of an audience and put yourself forward for a leadership role. Whatever the outcome, they should all feel extremely proud of themselves for showing such confidence, determination and ambition.

Last week, we welcomed a group of parents and carers to school for our first Parent Forum of the year. During the meeting, we reflected on the many achievements of the last academic year and discussed our priorities moving forward. I shared our School Development Plan, alongside information about some changes to how we support pupils with allergies, including our introduction of Kitt Medical. I will be sharing some of the ideas and feedback from the forum in future newsletters, so watch this space!

Our extra-curricular clubs have now started, and it has been wonderful to see so many children taking part. From Lego and Minecraft to dance and many more activities, there has been a real buzz of excitement around school as children explore new interests and spend time with friends. You will recently have received information about OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning). This is an exciting development for our school and will help us further enhance play opportunities for all children. If you have not already done so, I would be grateful if you could complete the survey that was shared. We will also be asking for your support over the coming weeks as we begin collecting resources for the project. Please keep an eye on Class Dojo and future newsletters for information about how you can help.

We are looking forward to Year 4's Harvest Assembly this week, which is always one of the highlights of the autumn term. This year, we are collecting donations for the Little Eds Foundation, a small local charity that provides food parcels and support for vulnerable children and families through its food bank service. Any donations that you are able to contribute will be greatly appreciated and will help support families within our local community.

Finally, congratulations to K2, who won the Attendance Cake for the second week in a row. Achieving 100% attendance is a fantastic accomplishment and reflects the importance they place on being in school every day and ready to learn. Well done, K2!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I wish you all a lovely week ahead.

Sarah Meares
Head Teacher

Dates for your Calendar

Friday 2nd October- Year 4 Harvest Assembly

Friday 9th October- Hello Yellow World Mental health day- all wear yellow

Thursday 15th October- Parent dates for EYFS 2027 starters

Friday 16th October- Non- School Uniform day

Friday 16th October- PTA Silent Disco

EYFS and KS1- 4-5pm

KS2- 6pm-7:30pm

Wednesday 21st October- Parent tour for EYFS 2027 starters

Thursday 22nd October- KS2- Running Competition

Tuesday 10th November- Parent tour for EYFS 2027 starters

Wednesday 11th November- Year 5 Remembrance assembly at 2.20pm

Thursday 12th November- Scholastic book fair

Friday 13th November- Scholastic book fair

Monday 16th November- Scholastic book fair

Monday 16th November- Odd Socks Day- Anti bullying week

Monday 16th November – Individual School Photographs

Tuesday 17th November- Scholastic book fair

Thursday 26th November- Parent tour for EYFS 2027 starters

Tuesday 8th December- EYFS Church Visit

Thursday 10th December- Christmas Jumper & Christmas Dinner Day

Monday 14th December- 1.30pm KS1- Christmas performance Parents invited.

Tuesday 15th December- 2.00pm- EYFS- Christmas performance Parents invited

Tuesday 15th December- 3.30pm- KS1- Christmas Performance Parents invited

Wednesday 16th December- Year 1 Church visit

Wednesday 16th December- 1.30pm- KS2- Christmas performance parents invited

Wednesday 16th December- 3.30pm- KS2- Christmas performance

Thursday 17th December- Headteachers award assembly- invite only

What is a Young Carer?

A Young Carer is a child or young person aged under 18 years who provide regular and ongoing care to another person in their household.

A Young Carer may be looking after a family member with a long term chronic illness, mental health condition or addiction.

Your child may be a Young Carer if they:

- Care for a family member because of illness, disability or old age
- Help someone with bathing / dressing, going to the toilet or getting out of bed
- Need to help with the cooking for the family
- Help to organise the household budget
- Help with the housework, washing and tidying
- Help anyone to take their medication regularly
- Go shopping, collect prescriptions or benefits on behalf of a family member
- Look after a sibling by taking them to school, extra emotional / play support at home
- Translate or interpret for someone at home
- Support someone emotionally

At Silver End Academy, we want to ensure that all our students are offered full access to all the school provides and are given every opportunity to succeed. We understand the impact being a Young Carer can potentially have on a young person's education and wider life.

We can support them by:

- Making staff aware of students' specific needs, for instance, needing additional time or support in order to complete homework
- Offering the opportunity to have pastoral support if required.
- Facilitating access to external support via services such as those provided by: the Mental Health Support Team and Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service

If you think your child is a Young Carer, please let us know - email Mrs Hatchman at AlysonHatchman@Inspiresmat.co.uk to arrange a quick chat.

Any information you give will be treated sensitively and will not be shared without your knowledge.

Parking Reminder

Please be careful when parking your car at school drop off and pick up. We have been made aware that cars are blocking residents driveways.

Please be considerate when parking .

If you see an incident please report it to: <https://north.parkingpartnership.org/enforcement-requests/>

North Essex Parking Partnership will respond to every report and the more reports they get the better informed they are on how they can support the local area and the school improve



Police dogs—our school premises

As part of our ongoing commitment to support our community, we are proud to let parents know that our local police dog handlers will be using the school premises (out of hours) to train their dogs. This will provide an extra level of security to the school which is good.



Want To Learn How To Play The Guitar or Ukulele?



- Fun and engaging lessons
- Students choose the songs they want to learn!
- Group or one-to-one lessons available
- Competitive prices
- Prizes for ability/ effort
- Spare instruments available to use during lessons

Email: rubyguitarist@gmail.com

Or request a sign-up form at the office!

Smart Watches

Please be reminded that children should not wear smart watches to school. Devices with messaging, games, internet access, camera, or recording functions can be distracting and raise safeguarding concerns. If your child requires a watch, please ensure it is a simple analogue or digital watch. Thank you for your support as we work together.



EYFS phonics lesson

We would like to invite you in class to see how we teach phonics to the children.

Following this session we will also provide you with some resources to take away.

On Tuesday 29th September we will be inviting:

Mount Olympus: Volcano & Ocean

Mount Rushmore: Desert & Forest

On Tuesday 6th October we will be inviting:

Mount Olympus: Desert & Forest

Mount Rushmore: Volcano & Ocean

These sessions will replace the story time sessions for these weeks and will begin at 2.30pm.

Please add these dates to your diary



Census Day Thursday 1st October 2026

Thursday 1st October is schools census day. To assist us with boosting our funding for next academic year, we need as many children as possible to order a school lunch on this day. We will be serving - Hot Dog, Diced Potatoes and Salad with School Cake for dessert.

We thank you for your assistance.

OUR SCHOOL NOW HAS AN ANAPHYLAXIS KITT

We are pleased to let parents and carers know that our school now has an Anaphylaxis Kitt supplied by Kitt Medical on site.



WHAT IS IT?

The Anaphylaxis Kitt comes with **four adrenaline auto-injectors** and clear instructions for use in a medical emergency, alongside **anaphylaxis awareness training** for staff.

Adrenaline is the **first-line treatment** for severe allergic reactions (anaphylaxis) and can be life-saving when given promptly.

WHY DOES THE SCHOOL HAVE ONE?

- Severe allergic reactions can occur suddenly and unexpectedly.
- Not everyone who experiences anaphylaxis has a known allergy.



WHO CAN THE KITT BE USED FOR?

Any pupil, staff member or visitor on the school site experiencing a suspected anaphylactic reaction. Including individuals without a diagnosed allergy.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS & CARERS

If your child has a diagnosed allergy:

- Please continue to provide their prescribed adrenaline auto-injectors.
- Inform the school of any changes to medical needs.
- The school Anaphylaxis Kitt does not replace a child's own medication.



Silver End Academy
Grow, Shine, Succeed

Harvest Festival Donations

The Little Edi Foundation is a very small, local charity supplying food parcels & support for vulnerable children and their families in the local area via their food bank.

Any cupboard food you wish to donate from the following list will be distributed to the most needy families via The Little Edi Foundation:

- LONG-LIFE MILK
- TEABAGS
- COFFEE
- SQUASH
- BISCUITS
- JAM
- KETCHUP
- WEETABIX
- RICE
- BAKED BEANS
- PASTA
- PASTA SAUCE JAR
- MACARONI CHEESE
- RICE PUDDING
- RICE KRISPIES
- TINNED CARROTS
- TINNED POTATOES
- TINNED SWEETCORN
- TINNED TUNA
- TINNED FRUIT
- TINNED TOMATOES
- TINNED SPAGHETTI
- TINNED MEATBALLS
- TINNED HOTDOGS
- TINNED PEAS

Our Harvest assembly is 02/10/26 so any donated items may be dropped into school via classrooms from now onwards.

CHILDREN'S
HEALTH
MATTERS

NHS

SUPER BODIES

KEEP YOUR CHILD HEALTHY THIS WINTER

Super Bodies Fight Common Bugs

Your child's body naturally fights:

- Coughs
- Sore throats
- Ear ache

**Most get better
without antibiotics**

But Flu is Different

Flu can make children seriously unwell.
The free vaccine helps protect them.

Get Help and Support

- ✓ Health visitors can answer questions
- ✓ Community support available
- ✓ Information in different languages



For more
advice scan
the QR code



HEALTHY SNACKS

Children should only bring fruit or vegetables for their snack at breaktime to help us stay a healthy and nut-free school.



SILVER
END
ACADEMY

LOST PROPERTY

CAN BE FOUND IN THE
FRONT OFFICE

**LABEL
EVERYTHING**



Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has a named water bottle in school and you follow the school policy that bottles should only contain water.

Silver End Academy Pantry

Now by appointment only

If you would like a pantry bag please let Mrs Gigg know via DOJO, email adminsil@inspiresmat.co.uk or via the school Office. We are well stocked at the moment and are able to support with a range of products.

Kind regards

Mrs Gigg



Children's medical appointments

If your child needs to attend a medical/dental appointment during school time.

Please email adminsil@inspiresmat.co.uk your proof of medical appointment.



Celebrating your Child's Birthday

Don't forget to book in for lunch to celebrate your child's birthday!

- One adult can book in to have lunch, on or near, your child's birthday.
- Go to Parentmail and buy an adult lunch, priced at £3.20 you can also have a packed lunch if you wish free of charge.
- Email the school office at least a week in advance so we can book you in and we can let our catering team know.
- If you have missed your child's birthday, please don't worry – find a convenient day and book to have lunch this term or next term.
- When you arrive at school (12pm), your child will meet you at the office. Once you've finished eating, you'll be brought back to the school office.



Head Lice is not nice'



We have had a few reported cases of headlice in school recently.

We kindly ask that you check your child's hair regularly and treat if necessary, to help prevent further spread.



Head lice are a common occurrence in school settings and nothing to be alarmed about. With everyone's support, we can manage this quickly and effectively.

Thank you for your cooperation.

School Car Park

We kindly remind all families that the staff car park is not to be used for drop-off or pick-up at any time, including during Breakfast Club and After School Clubs.

As we have a small car park, it is important that we keep these spaces available for staff and essential deliveries only.

If you have prior agreement from the school office or hold a valid Blue Badge, you may use the designated disabled parking bays.

We appreciate your cooperation in keeping the car park safe and accessible for those who need it.

Thank you for your understanding and support





Inspires MAT School Term and Holiday Dates

Academic Year 2026-2027

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In addition, schools allocate five non-pupil days, highlighted yellow, out of the school days indicated, or the equivalent in disaggregated twilight sessions.

Autumn Term:	Tuesday 1 September 2026 – Friday 18 December 2026 <i>Half Term 26 October – 30 October</i>	74 days
Spring Term:	Monday 4 January 2027 – Thursday 25 March 2027 <i>Half Term 15 February - 19 February</i>	54 days
Summer Term:	Monday 12 April 2027 – Wednesday 21 July 2027 <i>Half Term 31 May – 4 June, and May Bank Holiday - 3 May</i>	67 days
		<u>195 days</u>

Please note:

The above dates may vary for individual schools, especially Foundation, Voluntary Aided schools and Academies.

You are strongly advised to check with your child's school before making any holiday or other commitments.



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Autumn Term:	Wednesday 1 September 2027 – Friday 17 December 2027 Half Term 25 October – 29 October	73 days
Spring Term:	Tuesday 4 January 2028 – Friday 31 March 2028 Half Term 14 February – 18 February	59 days
Summer Term:	Tuesday 18 April 2028 – Friday 21 July 2028 Half Term 29 May – 2 June, and May Bank Holiday - 1 May	63 days
		195 days

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Menu for week commencing 28.09.26 Week 2

Silver End Academy

Week 2

Monday

Pasta Bar

Pasta with a choice of Sauces
Pepperoni, Cheese, or Tomato
served with salad bar and five bean salad

Jacket Potato

With a choice of toppings

Tuesday

Chicken Curry

Served with Wholemeal Rice, Naan
Bread, and Salad

Cheesy Frittata

Served with Wholemeal Rice and
Salad

Jacket Potato

Served with a choice of toppings.

Wednesday

Picnic Lunch

Baguette with a Choice of fillings.

Ham, Cheese, or Tuna

Crisps, Salad sticks, Raisins, a piece of fruit and a drink.

Fresh

All our food is cooked fresh
each day

Thursday

Hotdog

Served with spiced diced potatoes
and Salad.

Veggie Hotdog

Served with spiced diced potatoes
and salad.

Jacket Potato

Served with a choice of toppings.

Healthy

Our pasta, rice and breads
are healthy wholemeal
products

Friday

Breaded Fish Fillet

served with crispy chips, peas, or
baked beans.

Halloumi in a Bun

Served with crispy chips, peas, or baked
beans.

Jacket Potato

Served with a choice of toppings.

Checked

We always use reputable
suppliers and where
possible use local produce

Available everyday

A healthy salad bar, fresh fruit, and yoghurt, water, milk, Lactose reduced milk and
Water

Menu



Silver End Academy

Monday

Pizza Day

Pepperoni

Served with Mixed leaves
and Five Bean Salad

Tuesday

Southern Fried Chicken Wrap

Served with Diced Potatoes,
Sweetcorn or Salad

Wednesday

Roast Chicken

served with crispy roast potatoes,
broccoli, carrots, and gravy.

Thursday

Sausage & Pasta in Tomato Sauce

Served with salad

Friday

Fishfingers

Served with crispy chips, baked
beans, or peas.

Sweet Treat Friday

Kitchens Choice

Available everyday

A healthy salad bar, fresh fruit, and yoghurt, milk, Lactose Reduced Milk and Water

Cheese & Tomato

Served with Mixed leaves and
Five Bean Salad

Jacket Potato

Served with a choice of
toppings

Vegetable Fajita

Served with Diced potatoes and
Sweetcorn

Jacket Potato

Served with a choice of toppings.

Quorn Roast

Served with crispy roast potatoes,
broccoli, carrots, and gravy.

Jacket Potatoes

Served with a choice of toppings.

Veggie Meatballs and Pasta in
Tomato Sauce

Served with salad

Jacket Potato

Served with a choice of toppings.

Veggie Nuggets

Served with crispy chips, baked
beans, or peas.

Jacket Potato

Served with a choice of toppings.

Week 3

Menu

Fresh

All our food is cooked
fresh each day

Healthy

Our pasta, rice and breads
are healthy wholemeal
products

Checked

We always use reputable
suppliers and where
possible use local produce

