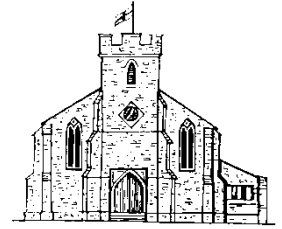




ST. ALPHEGE, WHITSTABLE CHILDREN'S NEWS

Autumn 2017

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Welcome to the autumn term with news of what's happening for children and families at St Alphege.

Here is the 9.30am Sunday schedule leading up to, and after, Christmas:

5 th November	Kidzone	
12 th November	Sunday Club	Remembrance Sunday
19 th November	All-Age Service	
26 th November	Sunday Club	
3 rd December	Kidzone	Advent Sunday
10 th December	Sunday Club	
17 th December	Christingle Service	9.30am start, no breakfast

CHRISTMAS SERVICES - see below

31 st December	Sunday Club
7 th January 2018	Kidzone
14 th January	Sunday Club
21 st January	All-Age Service
28 th January	Sunday Club
4 th February	Kidzone
11 th February	Sunday Club
18 th February	All-Age Service
25 th February	Sunday Club

On the 3rd Sunday in the month you are welcome to the

All-Age Service.

Breakfast is served in the Narthex from 9.15am. The service starts at 9.45am and finishes at 10.30am.



Babies and very young children are welcome to the **Crèche** in the Narthex on Sundays when there is Sunday Club and Kidzone. It's open from 9.20am, so you can come in before the service starts to help your child to settle.



Superteens takes place on the first Sunday in the month during the 9.30am service. It's a group for young people of secondary school age and new members are always welcome to join in the fun.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND EVENTS

You are most welcome to these festive services and other events:



25 th November	9am-2pm	Church Christmas Fair
9 th December	6pm-7pm	Candlelit carols on the forecourt
16 th December	4.30pm	Christingle at St Andrew's
17 th December	9.30am	Christingle at St Alphege
	4.30pm	Service of Nine Lessons & Carols
	5.30pm	Mulled wine & mince pies in church
Christmas Eve	9.30am	Communion
	4.00pm	Crib Service - <i>come dressed as a shepherd or an angel to join in the Nativity</i>
	11.30pm	Midnight Communion
Christmas Day	8.00am	Traditional Communion
	10.00am	All-Age Communion
New Year's Eve	8am & 9.30am	Communion services
	2pm-4pm	Church open for prayer



The **Posada** or travelling crib will be making its journey round our homes from Sunday 3rd December, Advent Sunday. This is a lovely way to look forward to Christmas, encourage the children to explore the story and meet up with church friends. If you would like to host the Posada, you need to be available for two consecutive afternoons or evenings, the first one to receive the crib and the second to take it on to the next family. There will be a list of dates in church to sign up. The Posada comes back to the church at the Crib Service on Christmas Eve.

StArs Homework Club is going strong on Wednesdays from 3.30pm to 5pm at St Andrew's church during term time - individual homework help, games and tea.



Don't forget the **signing in sheet** when you come into church. You can confirm your child's attendance at church on this sheet, particularly if you are considering applying for a place at a church school.

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Best wishes from all the Children's Team