



Chilton Primary School / Ramsgate Arts Primary School / Upton Junior School

Term 6 Viking Newsletter 2026

Dear Viking Families,

The final Viking newsletter of the year is a celebration of new beginnings and the bittersweet joy of saying farewell...

Throughout the year I have highlighted the many different strengths of the Viking Academy Trust schools: in developing the personal values of perseverance, determination and teamwork; in the arts; in the field of sports; as well as in the wonderfully rounded children that we develop, children who are kind and happy and caring. However, our core purpose is to enable our children to develop their academic ability to it's full potential. We see it as our mission to develop children who are articulate in the written and spoken word, to develop children who are confident and competent mathematicians, as well as young people who have a desire and thirst to understand how the world works and to seek out new information because they can, not because they have to.

Our **'One Childhood One Chance'** philosophy resonates across every part of life in our Viking schools. Providing children with opportunity after opportunity is at the heart of life at Chilton, RAPS and Upton. How will children know what they enjoy or will excel at if they are never given the chance to explore what the world has to offer? Seeing the current year 6 children as they prepare to leave, I can truly say that I feel that we have achieved our mission in the time that they have been with us. I see your children who are socially, academically and emotionally ready for the next stage in their educational journey, children who have thrived in their primary schools, but who are now chomping at the bit to push themselves further forward as they enter their secondary education.



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One of my favourite events of the school calendar is the 'Year 6 Production'. As well as making memories that will stay with the children for a lifetime, having the opportunity to perform in front of an audience filled with family and friends shows us just how far the children have come in their seven-year educational journey with us (four years for our Uptonians).

This year, we were entertained with performances of **'Livin' The Greatest Dream'** as Chilton's Year 6 children excelled in their interpretation of 'The Greatest Showman,' RAPS took us into a galaxy far, far away with, **'The Umpire Strikes Back'** – a very witty script with catchy songs and dance numbers and Upton went 'across the pond' to an American High School performing Disney's **'High School Musical'**.

RAPS Year 6
students
performing 'The
Umpire Strikes
Back'.



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Upton Year 6
students
performing 'High
School Musical'.



Chilton Year 6
students
performing 'Livin'
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Besides learning lines, song lyrics and dance routines – the Year 6 children have had a final term jam packed with memory making opportunities. We are immensely proud in the knowledge that every child, has done as much as they can, to be the best they can be! To the children in year 6, we salute you and wish you every success in the future, wherever that may take you.

Your children won't, however, achieve all they are capable of alone, they will need your continued support, guidance, love (and cajoling), those things that are at the very heart of parenting, the things which have allowed your children to succeed so far in their lives. Saying goodbye to 256 year 6 children across Viking, will also mean for some of our families – it will be a final goodbye to Chilton, to RAPS or at Upton, as your last (or only) child ends their primary school journey this week. To those parents – **'Thank You'** for all you have done to make the partnership between home and school so successful, just keep doing what you do – and my final bit of advice, cherish this final summer with your child before they start secondary school. For all the right reasons (or that's what I told myself), things change from this point forward – it's all part of growing up!

For families returning to us for the new academic year, as I announced in the Viking Term 5 Newsletter, it will be Mrs. Law, not myself – who will have the privilege of leading this amazing family of schools from September. It has been the honour of my professional career to have served as the first custodian of the Viking Academy Trust. Having led Viking for ten years, alongside such a talented and dedicated team of leaders, I am delighted to be passing the baton to one of our 'own'. Mrs. Law has been part of Viking's journey from its inception - she is part of Viking's DNA! Mrs. Law served as Head of School at Chilton for eight years before leaving the school in Mr. McAuley's capable hands in 2023. During this time, she spent time as Head at Upton during Miss. Arthur's maternity leave and more recently, has worked across Chilton, RAPS and Upton as Viking's Director of Education.



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As I shared with you last term, I would never have left Viking Academy Trust to work for another group of schools, but to not work at all...well, that is another story!! I am in a fortunate position to take early retirement (five years is long enough for my husband to be 'home alone'). I therefore sign-off to you, my 'Viking family', for the final time. My own family is waiting in the wings, and whilst my next chapter remains unwritten – my motorhome and running shoes are calling!

Wishing you a wonderful summer holiday. May the weather be kind and may there be ample opportunity for precious memories to be made with your children.

Onwards and upwards Viking Academy Trust!

With my deepest respect and very best wishes for the future,

Michaela Lewis,

Executive Headteacher of Viking Academy Trust 2016 – 2026.



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Viking Holiday Club

-Summer Holiday-

A reminder we have our hugely popular Viking Holiday Club taking place across the summer holiday. It will be based at UPTON from Monday 20th July - Friday 7th August.

Please [click here](#) for more information or contact Miss K Arthur, Extended Schools Manager.

(ES@vikingacademytrust.com).



Monday 20th July - Friday 24th July
Monday 27th July - Friday 31st July
Monday 3rd August - Friday 7th August

VENUE WILL BE AT UPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Kids Eat Free (or for £1) this Summer 2026.



PLACES KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2026



moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend

ASK ITALIAN

2 Kids eat free every day until Sept 6th 2026

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat free Sunday - Thursday

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

2 Kids Eat Free Breakfast with 1 paying adult

BILLS

Kids Eat Free weekdays until September 1st 2026

BREWDOG

1 Kid eats free with 1 adult, 19th July - 31st August

CAFE ROUGE

Kids Eat FREE 12-4pm every day of the week

CHIQUITO

Kids eat free during all school holidays

COCONUT TREE

Kids eat free Mon 13th July - Sun 6th Sept

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal purchase

FARMHOUSE INNS

2 Kids eat FREE this summer holidays

FLAMING GRILL PUBS

Kids eat for 88p this summer holidays

FRANKIE & BENNY'S

Kids eat FREE during school holidays

FRANCO MANCIA

Kids eat FREE school holidays Mon-Thurs

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

HARVESTER

Kids eat for £1 every day until Sept 1st 2026

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for 88p this summer holidays

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE via the App

MARCO PIERRE WHITE

Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend

MORRISONS

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend all day

PIZZA HUT

Kids Eat Free Every Day after 3pm

PREMIER INN

2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult

PREZZO

Kids up to age 12 eat for £1 during half terms

PUREZZA

Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal

SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

SIZZLING PUBS

Kids eat for £1, Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm

TABLE TABLE

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult

TESCO

Kids eat free every day this summer with a 65p spend

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free until 6th September (Via App)

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

TRAVELODGE

2 kids eat for £1 with 1 adult breakfast

TOBY CARVERY

Kids eat for £1 every day until Sept 1st 2026

TURTLE BAY

Kids eat free with every £15 adult spend via app

VILLAGE HOTELS

Kids eat free 20th July - 4th Sept via the village app

WHITBREAD INNS

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

YO! SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays

ZIZZI

Kids eat free via app during school holidays

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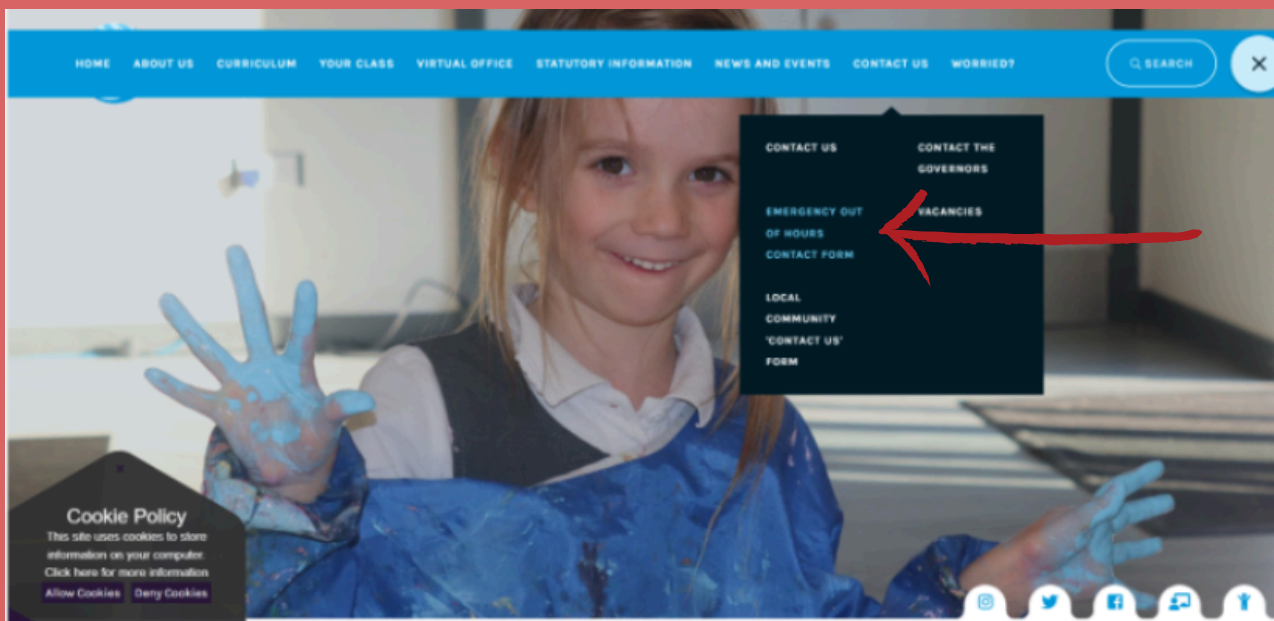


HOLIDAY REMINDER: Emergency 'Out of Hours' Contact Form... At Viking, we appreciate, despite best efforts, not everything fits within the window of a school day, and emergency situations may leave you urgently wanting to contact the school. Office and Head of School emails are shared on school websites – but, as you may have seen – staff are under no obligation to read or respond to work emails outside of the 'working day'.

The message on all Viking email accounts reads as follows...The Viking Academy Trust respects the wellbeing of its staff. There is no expectation that emails are responded to before 8am or after 5pm Monday to Friday, at the weekend or during school holidays.

We have therefore created an **'Emergency Out of Hours'** contact form for parents or carers to use if they feel they urgently need to share information / get in touch prior to the start of the next working day. To access this form, please click the 'Contact Us' tab on the school website and the emergency out of hours link can be accessed.

See the example below taken from RAPS' website:



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<https://www.uptonjunior.com/>

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