

The Angmering School Weekly Newsletter 14



Friday 15th December

Dear parents/carers and students,

What a fantastic first term of the year! Full of the usual challenges (weather, building work and mock exams stand out....) but also lots of fun and learning. Thank you to all of the staff and students for their hard work, I am sure that they will all be looking forward to a few well deserved lie-ins next week. Thanks also to all of our parents/carers for your support, it makes a huge difference when we all work together to support the children.

I will be having a quiet (!) break in a household with 4 adults, 2 'children' (17 year olds), 3 dogs and a cat. I shall be looking forward to coming back to work in January for some peace!

Festive Feast!

Huge thanks to Mr Whatford and his very many 'Elves' for organising and running the Festive Lunch yesterday. There was a change to the usual menu, with students and staff enjoying a warming curry rather than turkey roast, but no change to the lovely atmosphere. Special thanks also to the prefects for helping to serve and to the musicians for providing the soundtrack to the day. Great fun but a mammoth undertaking!



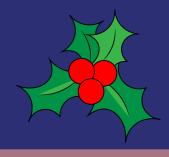


The 100 Club in support of the Lavinia Norfolk Charitable Trust

The LNC Trust raises funds to support the extra curricular activities enjoyed by so many of the students with physical disabilities, hearing impairment or visual impairment. The Trust is run entirely by volunteers and relies on fundraising and the generosity of the local community to continue their excellent work. Their latest fundraising plan is the introduction of a '100 Club'. The idea is that 100 members each pay in £10 per month to a pot and then each month a draw takes place to award cash prizes to randomly selected members of the club (with the Trust receiving a small guaranteed income from the pot also). If you are interested in being in the '100 Club' please contact Judy Murton via jmurton@theangmeringschool.co.uk



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Start of term arrangements

Students start back in January on Wednesday 3rd (Tuesday 2nd January is an INSET day). The 3rd January is a normal school day for all students (week 1 of the timetable).

Are you interested in training to become a teacher in a local school?

As a school we are always working to 'grow' new teachers and to develop staff in other roles. One of the ways which we support the training of new teachers is through the <u>Teaching Apprenticeship</u>. This is a route into teaching for people who have an undergraduate degree but may not have worked in education. We are currently supporting a number of Teaching Apprentices in school and they are doing really well. If this is something which you may be interested in details can be found by following the link above.

We also work with colleagues from the South Downs Teacher Training consortium. South Downs Teacher Training is part of the Durrington Multi Academy Trust (DMAT) and shares accommodation with Durrington High School and the Research School. They have strong partnerships with many local schools and schools throughout West Sussex and Brighton & Hove. Trainees who work with them have access to the facilities at Durrington High School and the Research School, their placement schools and the University of Brighton online library.

Trainees typically have a day each week working with other trainees to reflect and develop their practice and four days each week in schools working with the young people in our local area. Please follow the link if you are interested in learning more about this route into teaching.

https://www.inspiringfutureteachers.org/southdowns/our-partner-schools

Reminder: School morning arrival time and gate procedure

Please may you remind your child that the front and back gates close at 8.40am as students need to allow time to be in their tutor for registration at 8.45am.

Any student arriving after 8.40am will have their standards card signed.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,

Simon Liley, Headteacher

Student and Community News



The wonderful 'Vocalise' entertain the community

'Vocalise' (one of our singing groups) performed for Christmas diners at The Angmering Manor Hotel on Monday 11th December. They were really proud to have been invited to do this, and worked really hard preparing for it during our rehearsals. The response of the customers was lovely as many seemed to prefer listening to the songs to eating! Thanks to all of the students in the group and to Mrs Crocker for supporting them so brilliantly.





Year 10 Prefects

The Angmering School has selected prefects to help with events throughout the year. These prefects will ensure that events run smoothly and act as role models for our younger students. We wish them the best in their new roles and thank them for their willingness to serve our school community.



Student Bulletin

Every Monday we send the students a newsletter which includes important weekly events and notices, sports clubs, and celebrates their achievements. Please click here to see this weeks Bulletin.

Link to The Student Bulletin

Vacancies

• No current vacancies

Diary Dates

- 2nd January INSET day
- 9th January Year 9 Parliament Trip
- 10th January Everybody's talking about Jamie Trip
- 11th January Y11 Consultation Evening
- 17th January Y7, Y11 & Sixth Form Year Group Photos and Year 11 Individual Photos
- 24th January Y9 Consultation Evening
- 31st January Y9 KS4 Options Evening
- 5th February Science Live Trip

Key Contacts for parents/carers



Key Contact	Email Addresses	Phone Numbers			
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The Angmering School Attendance Overview



Contact details for reporting an absence

Year 8 and Year 11

Mrs Jones: Telephone- 01903778323 Email - ljones@theangmeringschool.co.uk

Text Message: 07700185859

Year 7, 9 and 10

Miss Silva: Telephone - 01903778331 Email ssilva@theangmeringschool.co.uk

Text Message: 07700185859

- All absences must be reported to the attendance teams only, no later than 8.30am and a reason must be given.
- Absences that are not reported by 8.30am and are also without a reason will be marked as unauthorised.
- All absences are to be reported to the attendance teams only using the correct contact details provided above, any absences reported to other members of staff may not be received in the attendance office and therefore may be unauthorised.
- If your child has a sickness bug we ask that they remain off school for 48 hours from the last episode of sickness, if your child attends school before this time period they will be sent home. This is to prevent the spread of illness across the year groups.
- We expect your child to attend school on occasions such as period pains, feeling sick (without being sick) and headaches unless they have supporting medical evidence.
- Covid if your child has tested positive for Covid and feels unwell we ask that they remain off school for 3 days from the date of the positive test. They can then return to school on day 4 without a negative test providing they feel well enough to attend.
- All medical appointments should be booked after school and in school holidays wherever possible. Any absence for a medical appointment without evidence, i.e. appointment card, appointment text and hospital appointment letter will be marked as unauthorised.
- Students are expected to come into school before and after their appointments unless agreed otherwise, please give the attendance team 24 hours' notice of medical appointments.
- We are unable to authorise holidays in term time; this is in line with West Sussex and government guidance. All exceptional circumstances requests must be submitted with an absence request form available from the Attendance Team or via the school website and requested in advance of the absence. Any absence not requested correctly will be marked as unauthorised.

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Should I keep my

child off school?



Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over	
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	and Vomiting 48 hours after their last episode	
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.	
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics	
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared	
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started	
Scables	they've had their first treatment	
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics	
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics	



but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek





Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://grco.de/minfec.

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Every single day a child is absent from school equates to a day of lost learning. Attendance percentages can be misleading

100% Attendance	0 days missed	Excellent
97% Attendance	5 days of absence , 1 week of learning missed.	Good
95% Attendance	9 days of absence, 1 week and 4 days of learning missed.	Satisfactory
90% Attendance	19 days of absence , 3 weeks and 4 days of learning missed.	Poor
85% Attendance	28 days of absence, 5 weeks and 3 days of learning missed.	Very Poor
80% Attendance	38 days of absence, 7 weeks and 3 days of learning missed	Unacceptable

For some parents, 90% may seem like an acceptable level of attendance, but the reality is that 90% attendance means that your child will miss half a school day each week, or 19 days of school during the school year – that's nearly 4 school weeks every year.



You don't need to go hungry if you don't have money for food.

There are many reasons for financial crisis, including redundancy, illness or injury, an increase in living costs, low income, unexpected expenses, a relationship breaking down, homelessness, and more.

Whatever the reason for needing our help, you can contact Help Through Hardship for <u>free</u> on **0808 208 2138**, and talk to a friendly adviser about getting a foodbank voucher.

If you live or work in the areas around **Littlehampton**, **Angmering**, **Rustington**, **East Preston** and **Arundel** you can find more information on how to get a voucher, including other support agencies you could contact, at https://littlehampton district.foodbank.org.uk/get-help/how-to-get-help or by using your phone's camera to scan this QR code:

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