

Dear parents/carers and students,

### Friday 19th July

This will be my final letter of the school year so I would like to start by offering my sincere thanks to all of the school staff, parents and carers for your excellent support of our children over the last 12 months. We all appreciate that children thrive when the triangle of 'child - home - school' remains strong and expectations are consistently high. I hope that you all have a lovely summer planned and can (finally) enjoy some fine weather too!

End of term arrangements (and the start in September)

Monday 22nd July is our 'Enrichment Day' for all students in Years 7-10. Students should wear PE kit for the day and make sure that they bring sun cream (if the forecast for decent weather remains) and a water bottle. The canteen will be open for 'grab and go' food and students have already had the chance to buy 'tokens' for the snack stands which will be positioned around the school. They are of course welcome to bring a packed lunch or additional snacks if they wish. In the event that rain is forecast please ensure that your child has a light rainproof jacket as they will be outdoors for 1-2 hours during the day.

**Tuesday 23rd July is a half day for students, they will be dismissed at 12:30 to start their summer break**. The normal timetable will run for START, period 1 and period 2, there will then be an extended break and finally a session in tutor groups before dismissal. The Findon Bus will pick up students at 12:30pm , alternative arrangments will be made for those who get the Ferring Bus.

The start of the Autumn term for our new Year 7 students is on **Tuesday 3rd September**. Years 8 to 11 will return on **Wednesday 4th September**. Separate information has already been issued to Sixth Form students.

As an early notification please note that the school Open Evening (for Year 6 students) is on Wednesday 25th September and this will be a half day for students, they will finish at 13:30 on that day.

### Sports Day

At the time of writing we are looking forward to the whole school sports day (on Friday 19th July). My thanks go to the PE department, and Mr Jenner in particular, for their excellent organisation of the event. Thanks also to the tutors and students who I am sure will be showing their usual level of enthusiastic competitiveness! Let's hope that the sun is shining and everyone can experience the enjoyment of friendly competition with the other tutor groups in their year. I know that some of the tutors are desperate for the bragging rights of being the Sports Day champions for 2024!

#### Empowerment Awards

Many thanks to all of the prize winners, parents/carers and staff who attended our first 'Empowerment Awards' event on Wednesday. It was fantastic to see the achievements of so many students being recognised and celebrated. Congratulations to every student who was nominated for an award this year and, of course, to the eventual winners who were celebrated at the ceremony. A special thank you to Mrs Knox who organised and led this lovely event.





#### **Local Summer Holiday Activities for children**

The local schools have once again been supported by <u>angmeringchildcare.com</u> who provide free information about all of the activities which are provided by charities and companies in the locality. Details of the activities, providers and how to book places can be found on the website.

This service is provided free of charge to all of the local schools and we gain nothing from promoting it to our families. We hope that it proves useful to those of you who are looking for ways to entertain and educate your children over the summer break.

Comedy Show in support of the LNC

Time for a little light relief..... On Saturday 14th September we are playing host to the 'Just Kidding Comedy Club' who organise and run comedy nights around the South East. They donate 30% of ticket revenue and 10% of the bar revenue to the school (in our case it will support the LNC Trust) at the same time as providing a great evening of entertainment. Tickets are £20 online or £25 on the door. Details have been included at the end of this letter. The QR code to go directly to the booking site is below. Please come along to support this great event.



Thanks for your continued support,

MARS

Simon Liley, Headteacher

#### Final Chess Tournament of the year

The chess club, run by Mr Cochrane, held their final in-house tournament of the year this week and we would like to congratulate Tom O'toole 9MRB (1st place), Zac Harris 9SWH (2nd place) and Morgan Kelly Jeffs 9GCO (3rd place) on their victorious end to the year. The club will be continuing next year but without the leadership of Mr Cochrane who is moving to a post in another school. We would all like to thank him for his excellent leadership of the club over the last two years.



### **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



- HR Administrator Link to Vacancy
- Finance Manager / Bursar Link to Vacancy
- Learning Support Assistant <u>Link to Vacancy</u>

### **Diary Dates**

- 22nd July Enrichment Day
- 23rd July Last Day of Term
- 3rd September First Day of Term for Year 7
- 4th September First Day of Term for Year 8,9,10 and 11

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### Parental Wellbeing and Information

#### Parent Workshops from CAMHS

Our colleagues in the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) have produced a series of prerecorded webinars for parent and carers. The topics cover a range of difficulties that young people may be experiencing.

Each workshop gives an overview of a specific difficulty and also some hints and tips on how young people can be supported. There are also links to some resources that you may find helpful, either while you are waiting for CAMHS treatment, or as an alternative to CAMHS.

https://www.sussexcamhs.nhs.uk/resources/resources-for-families-carers-and-professionals/parent-andcarer-workshops?open=15829#single-accordion-15829

West Sussex Mind online event

This online event led by West Sussex Mind will cover various topics related to youth self-harm, including identifying warning signs, effective communication strategies, and available resources for support. Our experienced professionals will lead the session, offering insights and practical advice to help you navigate this challenging situation.

By attending this session, you'll gain a better understanding of youth self-harm and learn how to provide the necessary support to your child or the young person you care for. It's a great opportunity to connect with other parents or carers who are facing similar concerns.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/free-online-session-for-parents-or-carers-concerned-about-youth-self-harmtickets-890197232887?

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### **BBC Sussex Raising Teens**

A number of West Sussex colleagues from both the SEND and Inclusion Service and Public Health have been involved in the latest series of Raising Teens on BBC Radio Sussex, as part of a project by Make Good Trouble. <u>https://www.makegoodtrouble.co.uk/our-work/raising-teens/raising-teens-</u> <u>series-five/</u>

The series is aimed at parents of teenagers, but is an excellent source for anyone supporting this cohort of young people.





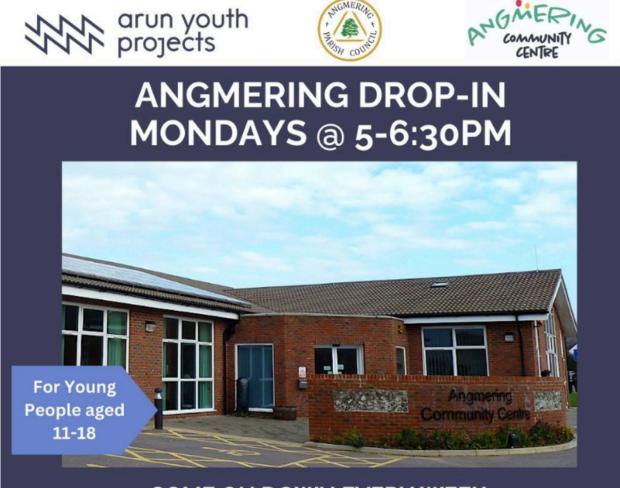
# You don't need to go hungry if you don't have money for food.

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: Registered charity 1160455 | Registered in England & Wales





<u>COME ON DOWN EVERY WEEK</u> CHILL OUT, PLAY GAMES, COMPETE IN SPORTS, GRAB SOME HOT FOOD, CHAT, GET SUPPORT & ADVICE AND EVEN SNEAK IN SOME STUDY TIME!