

# The Angmering School Weekly Newsletter 12

|                        | Dear parents/carers and students,  |
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|                        | We have had an incredibly busy week, and all in the aid of fundraising!.<br>We have had The Big Sleep out, our Dance Live Danceathon and the LNC<br>Christmas Market held last night.  |
| Friday 1st<br>December | I would like to express our gratitude to everyone who has taken part, been<br>involved in the organisation, supported, attended and donated. As a school<br>community it's so great to see people coming together and being part of<br>something bigger. |
|                        | As we enter the last weeks of term please do check out our Diary Dates below so that you don't miss out!   |

#### The Big Sleep Out for Turning Tides

On the (freezing) night of Friday 24th November, 25 Sixth Form students were joined by Mr Kerrison, Mr Bowles and me for their charity sleepout, with all money raised going to support Turning Tides. It certainly gave us all a new appreciation of some of the hardships faced by people who are forced onto the streets. Being outdoors all night in those temperatures was deeply unpleasant even for one night.

The fantastic news is that the event has so far raised over **£1900** for Turning Tides, enough to offer basic accommodation to over 50 homeless people for a week. Although the event was last week you are still able to donate <u>here.</u> If you wish to.



#### 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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#### **Train disruption from 1st December**

We have recently been made aware that due to strike action there will be significant disruption to the train schedules **between 1st and 9th December**. If your child regularly relies on the train to get to and from school please check the <u>updated schedules</u> online and ensure that you have contingency plans in place.

#### Year 9 Options

We have already started to work on the Options for Year 9 as they move towards choosing some of their GCSE/BTEC courses for Years 10 and 11. This work is led by Mr Whatford as part of leading Key Stage 3. He will be visiting Perspectives lessons with every class to explain the process and how to make the most informed and appropriate decisions.

Events for parents/carers will be run in the New Year and will follow on from the Consultation Evening so that your decisions as families will be informed by up to date information about your child's progress in each subject.

#### **New Parent Governor**

Following the recent election we are delighted to welcome Mrs Camilla Miller to the Governing Body of the school. Mrs Miller will join Mrs Sam Genge as parent governors who help to provide a parent/carer view when the board are making decisions. We thank Mrs Miller for taking on this important voluntary role.

#### 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.

#### End of term arrangements

Just to provide you with clarity about the end of term arrangements. On Thursday 14th December we will all be sitting down together for a 'Festive Lunch' - details have already been sent to students and they should have signed up for the hot meal (a warming curry this year!) if they want one. The school day will run slightly differently to accommodate the meal but the timetabled lessons will all run, albeit with adjusted timings.

On Friday 15th December we will have an early finish, with students dismissed at 12:30. Students start back in January on Wednesday 3rd (Tuesday 2nd January is an INSET day).

Thanks for your continued support,



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Limiting vehicle access to the site to ensure students' safety

As was the case throughout last year we do not allow parents/carers to drive their vehicles onto the school site during drop off or pick up times. The only exception to this is for children with physical disabilities which make it significantly difficult for them to make their own way in from Greenwood Drive or Bramley Green. All eligible parents/carers should have yellow permits to display on their dashboards or in their windscreens. The LNC team will continue to manage the allocation of these permits and will be happy to help new parents/carers who wish to apply for one.

If your child does not fall into this small group you need to drop your child in the surrounding area so that they can walk onto the school site. This will ensure we minimise on-site traffic, increasing safety and maintaining access for buses and emergency vehicles.

Thanks for your continued support,

Simon Liley, Headteacher

### **Student News**

#### Danceathon

Huge congratulations must go to all of the students and staff involved in the 12 hour danceathon on Tuesday which raised money to support our entry into "Dance Live". This annual event showcases the talents of dancers from hundreds of schools across the country and we are always incredibly proud of our students' commitment and performances. The team will now be getting on with the hard work of choreography, costumes, music, lighting and rehearsal, rehearsal, rehearsal!



#### **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



- 1st December Lionesses vs The Netherlands Trip
- 6th December Dance, Drama and Music Winter Showcase
- 14th December Festive Lunch
- 15th December 12:30 Finish for Students (end of term)
- 2nd January INSET day
- 9th January Year 9 Parliament Trip
- 10th January Everybody's talking about Jamie Trip
- 11th January Y11 Consultation Evening

# Key Contacts for parents/carers

| Key Contact                                | Email Addresses   | Phone Numbers  |  |  |
|--|---|----------------|--|--|
| Year 7 Key Contacts                        |   |                |  |  |
| Miss Silva (Attendance Officer)            | ssilva@theangmeringschool.co.uk   | (01903) 778331 |  |  |
| Miss Pegden (Head of Year 7)               | npegden@theangmeringschool.co.uk  | (01903) 778317 |  |  |
| Mrs Ford & Mrs O'Hare (Student<br>Support) | <u>dohare@theangmeringschool.co.uk</u><br><u>sford@theangmeringschool.co.uk</u> | (01903) 778389 |  |  |
|  | Year 8 Key Contacts   |                |  |  |
| Mrs Jones (Attendance Officer)             | ljones@theangmeringschool.co.uk   | (01903) 778323 |  |  |
| Mrs Wyatt (Head of Year 8)                 | swyatt@theangmeringschool.co.uk   | (01903) 778303 |  |  |
| Mrs Ford & Mrs O'Hare (Student<br>Support) | dohare@theangmeringschool.co.uk<br>sford@theangmeringschool.co.uk               | (01903) 778389 |  |  |
| Year 9 Key Contacts                        |   |                |  |  |
| Miss Silva (Attendance Officer)            | ssilva@theangmeringschool.co.uk   | (01903) 778331 |  |  |
| Mrs Fillery (Head of Year 9)               | jfillery@theangmeringschool.co.uk   | (01903) 778311 |  |  |
| Mrs Ford & Mrs O'Hare (Student<br>Support) | dohare@theangmeringschool.co.uk<br>sford@theangmeringschool.co.uk               | (01903) 778389 |  |  |
| Year 10 Key Contacts                       |   |                |  |  |
| Miss Silva (Attendance Officer)            | ssilva@theangmeringschool.co.uk   | (01903) 778331 |  |  |
| Mrs Hook (Head of Year 10)                 | lhook@theangmeringschool.co.uk  | (01903) 778338 |  |  |
| Mrs Wilson (Student Support)               | lwilson@theangmeringschool.co.uk  | (01903) 778341 |  |  |
| Year 11 Key Contacts                       |   |                |  |  |
| Mrs Jones (Attendance Officer)             | <u>ljones@theangmeringschool.co.uk</u>  | (01903) 778323 |  |  |
| Mr Middleton (Head of Year 11)             | mmiddleton@theangmeringschool.co.uk   | (01903) 778339 |  |  |
| Mrs Wilson (Student Support)               | lwilson@theangmeringschool.co.uk  | (01903) 778341 |  |  |

# Key Contacts for parents/carers

| Sixth Form Key Contacts |   |   |  |  |
|-------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Sixth<br>Form           | Mr Kerrison (Leader of VI Form)<br>Mrs Carroll (VI Form Admin)<br>Emily Davies (VI Pastoral<br>Coordinator) | akerrison@theangmeringschool.co.uk<br>pcarroll@theangmeringschool.co.uk<br>edavies@theangmeringschool.co.uk | (01903) 778356<br>(01903) 778391<br>(01903) 778394 |  |

### 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.

UK Health Security Agency

# Should I keep my child off school?



#### Until...

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

# No

# 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.



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<br>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<br>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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