

Dear parents/carers and students,

Friday 1st March

It was lovely to see so many of our Year 7 students and their families at the Consultation Evening on Tuesday night. Thanks to everyone who attended and to all of the staff for their hard work. The general feedback was very positive (in both directions) and we are delighted with the way that the year group are progressing.

Cycling Safety

Following a number of reports from local drivers and pedestrians we have become very concerned for the safety of our students who cycle to and from school. It appears that a large proportion of them are doing things which place them at clear risk:

- Cycling on the road without wearing a helmet
- Riding off the pavement and onto the road without first checking for traffic
- Riding with 2 or 3 bikes side by side (making it hard for cars to pass safely)
- Riding on pavements and putting pedestrians at risk

Whilst we educate students about road and cycle safety in school we need the support of parents/carers to reinforce the message at home. Please speak to your children if they ride to school and ensure that they understand how to keep themselves and others safe.

Finding Holiday Activities in the Angmering Area

In partnership with all of the local primary schools a site has been created to provide information for families about the activities for children which are available in the local area. On the site you will find details of the activities and contact details for the organisations who run them. The site can be found at <u>https://www.angmeringchildcare.com</u>

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

Year 11 Mock Exams

Well done to all of the Year 11 students who are nearing the end of their second set of mock exams. Their behaviour and conduct has been excellent and we are really proud of the way which they have approached the exams. Teachers will now be working with the students, using the papers, to identify areas where further work may be needed before the final exams in May/June.



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.

Comic Relief 2024

Friday 15 March Pay £1 and wear something RED!

Normal school uniform must be worn but you can add the following items:

- Wear red socks
- Wear a red tie (in place of your school tie)
- Wear a red jumper (under your blazer)
- Wear red tights
- Wear a red hat or scarf

Note: No red hair dye is allowed.



Thanks for your continued support,

Simon Liley, Headteacher

Alumni Success

We are thrilled to share some exciting news with our school community! Our alumni student Toby Collyer has been selected in the Premier League match day squad for Manchester United v Fulham. This is a remarkable achievement and we couldn't be prouder of Toby's success.

As a school, we always encourage our students to pursue their passions and work towards their goals. Toby's success is a shining example of what can be achieved with determination and hard work. We wish him all the best for his upcoming match and look forward to following his progress in the future.

Once again, congratulations Toby, you have made us all proud!



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

- Year Team Administrator <u>Link to Vacancy</u>
- Casual Cleaners <u>Link to Vacancy</u>

Diary Dates

- 8th March Macbeth Trip
- 11th March ASK Apprenticeship Y11 Assembly & Workshop
- 13th March LNC Social Evening
- 19th March GCSE and A Level Dance Showcase
- 21st March Year 9 Legoland Trip
- 21st March Year 10 Geography GCSE Trip to London
- 26th March GCSE Dance Practical Exam
- 28th March End of Spring Term
- 29th March Ski Trip 2024
- 31st March New York Trip



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-795205670567?aff=oddtdtcreator

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. The topics covered this series are:

- Accessing Mental Health Services
- Supporting Adolescent Trauma
- Eating Disorders
- From Teen to Adult
- Neurodiversity in Teens
- School Support for Mental Health







10 WAYS TO LOOK AFTER YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

Here are some brilliant tips from young people just like you on how you can look after your mental health.

Don't keep it all to yourself and spend too much time in your own head. This can sometimes make it keep piling up, and make you feel worse.

Talk to someone you trust and feel comfortable with- a teacher, parent, sibling, cousin, friend... if you can't think of anyone and need to talk, try talking to someone like Shout by texting SHOUT to 85258 for free.

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Write your thoughts and feelings down.

Keep in contact with people, don't isolate yourself.

Don't dismiss your feelings because you think they aren't valid. Everything you feel is valid and important to you.



Focus on the good parts of your life and doing what you love, rather than the negative.



If you feel like harming yourself then tell someone you trust and distract yourself in the meanwhile.

MENTAL HEALT



Do something you enjoy to help you relax and have a break – watch a film, play a game, watch your favourite YouTuber, listen to music.



Be your own best friend because at the end of the day, you're stuck with you – so look after yourself!



Remember that you're not alone, even if it sometimes feels like you are.

*With thanks to students at Stewards Academy and Ark Globe Academy

ASK FOR HELP

Let your family, friends, and teachers know if you are struggling so that they can support you.

- If you're feeling overwhelmed and need to talk:
- Text P2B to 85258 for free to speak to Shout
- Call 0800 1111 to speak to Childline, or visit
- C childline.org.uk for their free online chat
- Visit C place2be.org.uk/help for more advice

Key Contacts for parents/carers

Key Contact	Email Addresses	Phone Numbers			
Year 7 Key Contacts					
Miss Silva (Attendance Officer)	<u>ssilva@theangmeringschool.co.uk</u>	(01903) 778331			
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Key Contacts for parents/carers

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Absence Reporting Via Text Messaging - 07860054571

UK Health Security Agency

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	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	

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.

