

Friday 20th  
October

Dear parents/carers and students,

As we complete a very positive first half term of the year I would like to thank all staff, students and parents/carers for your support. Children thrive when we all work together and therefore the support from home (which is excellent) is always really appreciated.

I am sure that you are all looking forward to a restful half term break and will come back with renewed energy and enthusiasm! Please remember that Monday 30th October is an INSET day and that students return to school on Tuesday 31st October.

### Year 7 Information Evening (7 weeks in)

Many thanks to all of our Year 7 parents/carers who attended the '7 weeks in' information evening on Tuesday. We hope that the information provided by key staff will help you to support your children at home and understand a little more about how they learn (and are supported) in school. Miss Pegden has sent out the presentation to all parents/carers so that those of you who were unable to attend can access this information.

### Year 11 Information Evening (Moved to 1st November)

We have planned an information evening for Year 11 parents/carers with a strong focus on how to support your child with their learning during the final year of their GCSE/BTEC courses. The evening will include input from the core subject leaders who will explain the way which the exams work and how best to support revision at home. **The date of this event has changed from Tuesday 31st October to Wednesday 1st November** in order to avoid the clash with Halloween.

Information regarding booking a place, and to submit any questions prior to the event, were sent out earlier this week.

### West Sussex Community Safety Survey

West Sussex Community Safety Partnership are an organisation focused on working with the Police, local councils and community members to make the county a safer place to live. They would very much like your views about how safe you feel in your local area. This will inform their planning for the coming year. To give your views please click on the link below and then click on 'Take survey' at the bottom of the page:

<https://yourvoice.westsussex.gov.uk/community-safety>

### Year 11 Mock Exams

Another reminder that the Mock Exams will run from **Monday 13th November through to Friday 24th November**. Normal timetabled lessons will run alongside the exams and students will attend all of their normal lessons when not in an exam.

It is important that students spend time over the half term break reviewing their work from Year 10 (and this half term) and following the guidance provided by their teachers.

If any student needs additional support they should speak to their tutor or any of their subject teachers, they will be happy to help.

Mock exams are very important because they allow students to experience using their skills and knowledge under exam conditions and provide teachers with vital information about students' strengths and areas for improvement which informs their lesson plans going forward.

### A Reminder About Our Uniform

As the weather is forecast to start cooling down in the coming days and weeks I thought it would be sensible to send a reminder about our uniform rules as they relate to colder weather.

- Students are welcome to wear a plain T-shirt under their school shirt provided it is not visible
- Students may add a plain navy blue jumper or sweatshirt (NOT hoodie) under their blazer but it must not have any logo and cannot be worn in place of a blazer
- Black tights of any thickness are acceptable but socks should not be worn over tights
- Coats can be worn over blazers at breaks and lunches but should be removed as students enter the buildings. Hoodies **cannot** be worn as an alternative to a coat.

As a separate but related reminder please ensure that school uniform skirts are not shortened from their original length. We understand that skirt waistbands may need to be altered to improve the fit but please ensure that the length remains unchanged.

### 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 and have a lovely half term break,



Simon Liley, Headteacher

# Student News

## Future Grandmasters?

We recently held our inaugural Year 7 Chess Tournament, organised by the chess club leader Mr Cochrane, and were really impressed with the standard of play from all participants. After some very close matches the final results (which were announced in assembly this morning) were:

1st: Kuba Mitchell, 2nd: Henry Deacon, 3rd: Drake Daysh and 4th: Zacheu Fuller

Congratulations to all of the competitors and to the 4 winners in particular!



## 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](#)

# Diary Dates

- 30th October INSET Day
- 1st November Year 11 Information Evening
- 1st November Year 7 Planetarium Trip
- 2nd November Year 12 Dance Insight Day

# Key Contacts for parents/carers

Key Contact	Email Addresses	Phone Numbers
<b>Year 7 Key Contacts</b>		
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# Key Contacts for parents/carers

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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.

# The Angmering School Attendance Overview



UK Health  
Security  
Agency



## Should I keep my child off school?

### Yes

#### 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
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



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#### Advice and guidance

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



# The Angmering School Attendance Overview

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.

Please note that we reserve the right to record telephone conversations for training and reference purposes.



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