

**Friday 8th
December**

Dear parents/carers and students,

Huge congratulations and thanks to all of the staff and students who worked so hard to make the Christmas Showcase such a success on Wednesday evening. It was great to see so many families in the audience and so many children on stage proudly demonstrating their talents.

As always I was blown away by the confidence and skills of the performers. They were all a credit to both their families and their teachers!

Santa spotted running around the field....

Huge thanks to all of the primary school children (and their parents/carers) who braved the cold and damp on Tuesday afternoon to join in the 'Santa Mile' on our front field. This excellent event, organised by Mr Jenner, saw around 150 children running a mile in various wonderful costumes! The 'best dressed' prizes went to a penguin and a lobster.... Special thanks to Toby Merritt-Blann for donning an inflatable Santa suit and giving the children someone to chase! Excellent fun all round.

Well done Year 11 (and keep going Year 13)

A very warm well done to all of our Year 11 students who completed their first stage mock exams last week. We were really impressed with their approach and behaviour throughout. Our initial post-mock conversations suggest that those who put in more time with preparation are delighted with the outcomes, whereas a number of students who chose not to prepare as thoroughly have had a slight 'wake up call' from their results. We sincerely hope that they have all learnt a great deal from the process and that this will help them as they move on through the courses.

Year 13 have started their mocks this week and their teachers will look forward to feeding back to them in the New Year.

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 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.

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 [Teaching Apprenticeship](#). 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.

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. Students are welcome to wear Xmas jumpers on Thursday 14th but they must wear the rest of their uniform as normal.

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,



Simon Liley, Headteacher

Student and Community News

A thank you from the LNC to Paul Wicks

Paul Wicks' hard work on the Bungalow garden clear up project has been praised by the LNC for his dedication and generosity. The garden looks immaculate, and the pictures showcase the fantastic job that he did. Community projects like this bring people together and make positive changes in the local area. The LNC are grateful for the work that Paul has done and look forward to working with other community members to continue making positive changes in the area.



The LNC Christmas Market

The LNC Christmas Market was a resounding success- we are so grateful to everyone who donated raffle prizes and bottles and gifts for our huge tombolas. The evening was buzzing with so many staff, families and friends of the LNC attending. We are so touched by everyone's generosity and we managed to raise an incredible £1,500, which we will put towards resources and experiences for the students.



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

- 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		
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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.

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UK Health
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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>.

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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.



What's for dinner tonight?



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 free 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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