#### **Important Information for September 2025**

#### Dear Parent/Carer,

As we draw to the end of this academic year, we would like to thank you for your continued support and partnership. At The Angmering School, we are proud of our values of Ambition, Courage, and Respect, and these underpin all aspects of school life – including the high standards we set for uniform and readiness to learn. Please find some useful information and reminders below to ensure your child is prepared for their return to school in September.

#### **School Uniform**

From the first day of term in September, we expect all students to arrive in full, correct uniform and with all the necessary equipment. These standards are clearly set out in our <u>Uniform Policy</u> and are a fundamental part of our Home-School Agreement. Our uniform helps to maintain a focused, respectful learning environment in which all students can thrive.

This year, we have been even more specific around expectations for shoes, nails, eyelashes, and piercings to help families make clear and confident choices before term begins:

- Shoes must be plain black leather, polishable and formal in style. Trainer-style shoes (including branded sports shoes like Nike, Adidas, or Converse) are not permitted.
   We understand the challenges around choices of shoes and so have created a list of recommended shoes that align with our policy. These can be found at the end of this letter.
- Socks Black (Unbranded) only.
- Nails must be short (no more than 2mm above the fingertip), with no polish, acrylics, or false nails of any kind.
- Eyelashes artificial lashes are not permitted.
- Piercings students may wear only one pair of small stud earrings. No other piercings (including nose or eyebrow studs/rings) are allowed.

We ask for your full support in ensuring that your child is fully compliant with the uniform and appearance policy on the very first day back. Any students arriving in incorrect uniform (as stipulated in the policy) will unfortunately be sent home to rectify the issue, following a phone call to their parent/carer. If you require any support with uniform, including access to our nearly-new uniform stock or subsidised items, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Year Team Leader in confidence.

## **Equipment**

As we look ahead to the new academic year in September, we want to ensure that every student is fully prepared and ready to make a strong start. Please ensure your child returns to school fully equipped for learning. This includes bringing:

- A suitable school bag large enough to carry books, PE kit and equipment
- A fully stocked pencil case (this should be clear to help with exam conditions), including:
  - Black pens
  - o 2 Pencils
  - o Ruler
  - o Rubber
  - Highlighters
  - Scientific calculator
  - Geometry set (protractor and compass)
  - Purple pen (for self/peer assessment)
  - Student Planner (See below for information)

Being fully equipped every day supports your child's ability to learn effectively and shows they are meeting our core values of Ambition, Courage and Respect. Students who are not prepared often fall behind in their learning and miss valuable opportunities to participate fully in lessons.

Please take time over the summer to check your child has all the necessary items. Your support in reinforcing these expectations is a vital part of our <u>Equipment Guide</u> and Home-School Agreement.

We sell all items on our equipment list in the school library and in the maths department. If you do have any questions or need further clarity on uniform and/or equipment then please feel free to contact your child's tutor or head of year.

#### **Student Planner**

From September 2025, all students will be issued with a brand-new school planner, designed to support their learning throughout the year. These professionally produced planners will include a dedicated space for 'Study Capture'. This is a daily routine, completed during period 5, to help students reflect on and consolidate key knowledge. In addition, the planner includes a variety of helpful tools, including red, amber and green pages to support assessment, a mini whiteboard, a times table grid and a periodic table.

The planner will be a compulsory part of students' daily equipment. Students must bring it to school every day and place it on their desk at the start of each lesson.

If a student loses or forgets their planner, they will be expected to collect a daily sheet from Reception. This sheet will serve as a temporary planner for the day and will be printed on coloured paper, stamped and dated.

#### Please note:

- Students can only use daily sheets for the week in which the planner was lost.
- Collecting a daily sheet will trigger an automatic email home asking parents/carers to support their child in either locating the lost planner or purchasing a replacement.
- Replacement planners can be bought via ParentPay.
- Once payment has been made, students can collect their new planner from Reception.
- If students attend period 5 without either their planner or a daily sheet, they will receive an after school detention, set for the following day.

We also encourage parents to review the planner with their child once a week, ideally at the weekend, to help reinforce key learning and support organisation. There will be a dedicated space in the planner for a weekly parent/carer signature.

This new system aims to support students in becoming more independent, better organised, and more effective in their learning. The changes will be fully explained to both students and parents / carers during our start-of-year events in September.

### **Tutor groups**

Please find an updated copy of our tutor group list attached to this letter. This will provide you and your child with any changes to their group tutor and / or their room.

### Happy holidays

We are immensely proud of our students and are looking forward to welcoming them back to school in September after a well-earned rest. We look forward to seeing them return ready to learn and appreciate your help in ensuring the start to the school year is as smooth as possible. Until then, we wish you a very happy summer holiday.

Yours faithfully,

Simon Liley Headteacher

# **Appendix - School Shoe Guidance for Parent/Carers**

We understand that choosing the right footwear for school can sometimes be a challenge, so we've put together this helpful guide to support you. Our school shoe policy is in place to ensure children are comfortable, safe, and appropriately dressed for school activities. We appreciate that every child has different needs and every family has different budgets. With that in mind, we've included a selection of acceptable school shoes from a range of retailers.

Retailer	Shoe
Next (Boys)	<ul> <li><u>Lace-up Leather Shoes</u></li> <li><u>Classic Black Brogues</u></li> <li><u>Black Leather Velcro School Shoes</u></li> <li><u>Standard Black Lace up School Shoes</u></li> </ul>
Next (Girls)	<ul> <li>Girls' Brogue Lace up School Shoes</li> <li>Girls' Loafers</li> <li>Black Patent School Bow Loafers</li> </ul>
Shoe Zone (Boys)	Men's Black Lace-Up Shoe
Shoe Zone (Girls)	Lilley Polly Lace-Up Shoes
Asda	<ul> <li>Chunky Derby School Shoes</li> <li>Lace-Up Moccasin Style</li> </ul>
Amazon	<ul> <li>Simple Black Smart Shoes</li> <li>Plain School Lace-Ups</li> </ul>
Schuh	Womens Nadine Lace up Shoe
Decathlon	Decathlon School Shoes Junior Boys
Marks and Spencer	Leather Brogue School Shoes