

# The Angmering School Weekly Newsletter 30

#### Friday 11th May

Dear parents/carers and students,

What a very positive week this has been. Firstly, the sun has been shining which lifts everyone's mood and hints to a (hopefully) warm summer term ahead. Secondly we had a chance to meet most of our new Year 7 students on Wednesday evening when they came up for the Year 6 Activity Evening. All of the staff involved were really impressed with the children's enthusiasm, confidence and willingness to join in and make new friends. We are looking forward to the second event on the 6th June and then to spending a whole day with the Year 6 children on Transition Day on 3rd July. Thanks to all of the staff who helped to make the first event so successful.

#### **Empowerment Awards 2024**

We are looking forward to celebrating the successes of our students by introducing the Empowerment Awards for 2024. A total of 62 awards will be given out incorporating themes from our Empowerment Curriculum and will celebrate success in all parts of school life including learning, community support, positive relationships, creativity and problem solving. The awards will then be given at an awards evening on the 17th July.

We are currently seeking sponsorship for the awards evening and have several levels of sponsorship available for local businesses, individuals and groups to sponsor. This is a fantastic opportunity to recognise and celebrate our students and their impact. If you would like more information on the awards that we will be giving and the sponsorship information, please contact Hannah Knox via email - hknox@theangmeringschool.co.uk. More information on the nomination criteria and processes will be available for some community focused awards later this month.

#### Uniform and warm weather

As most of you know we have systems in place to ensure that we make adjustments to the uniform rules during periods of extreme hot weather. We continue to monitor the forecasts throughout the summer term and will communicate any changes to you with as much notice as we can.

#### Our guidelines are as follows:

If the temperature is predicted to be over 25 degrees centigrade for 3 days or more (in a school week) we move to 'no blazer week', allowing students to leave blazers at home for that week

If the temperatures approach 30 degrees centigrade we will then advise of further options to allow students to remain comfortable. These may include measures such as removal of ties, replacement of school shirts with PE polo shirts or (in extreme cases) allowing students who wish to to wear full PE kit at school.

For the time being we are maintaining normal uniform expectations and appreciate your support with this.

#### Dropping off and picking up your children

Please could we politely remind all parents/carers that motor vehicles are not allowed onto the school site between the hours of 8:00 - 8:45 or 15:00 - 15:30 unless you have been issued with a special permit. Permits are provided to families with children who have significant mobility issues and cannot reasonably make their way into school from Greenfield Drive. Thank you for respecting this rule in order to keep students on our site safe.



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#### **Exams information and advice**

We are now in the formal exam season for Y11 and Y13, whilst Year 10 students are also completing their first set of mock exams. Our exams team has developed lots of useful resources for parents/carers and students which will provide some of the important information and advice needed to successfully navigate the exams.

All of the information can be found by visiting the Exams Information section of our website. Perhaps the most important section is the Exams Calendar which allows parents/carers to know when all of the formal exams are. All students have been issued with a personalised exam timetable (with specific details on rooms and seat numbers etc.) but we hope that having access to the general exam timetable is helpful to you.

#### West Sussex County Council Fostering Appeal (sent on behalf of WSCC)

Every child needs a family. Do you have space in yours?

The West Sussex County Council Fostering team has asked us to share with you an urgent appeal to anyone considering becoming a Foster Carer. Every child deserves to have a safe and loving home, where they can experience all that life has to offer; where they can learn, develop independence, and fulfil their potential.

While the children that West Sussex County Council cares for are all in safe accommodation, a number are living a significant distance from their school and their friends. These children are waiting to find a local foster family – someone like you, who can guide them through this important and uncertain time in their lives. In return, Foster Carers for West Sussex County Council receive comprehensive training, ongoing professional support and a competitive financial package of up to £30,3100 a year (per child). For a flavour of the impact you could have on a young person's life, watch this video from Foster Carer, James. Or for more information, please visit the Fostering West Sussex website.

Please click here to find out more.

Thanks for your continued support,

Simon Liley, Headteacher

### **Student and Community News**

#### Praise for our pupils!

It is always so lovely to see such positive news in and around our village, especially when it involves our students! We feel incredibly proud of the way our students are respectful of the residents, and the area in which we live, and it especially warms us when we hear of those that are polite and helpful, and those that go the extra mile.

With that in mind, we would love to hear from you, or your neighbour!

Do your children help a neighbour with their shopping, mow their lawn or walk the dog without being nagged! Or are they a scout, a guide or a cadet? Or have they simply done a good deed of which you are proud of? We would like to include their kindness within our weekly newsletter (with your, and your child's consent), and encourage others to do more. Please send your story to office@theangmeringschool.co.uk.

#### **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**

- Teacher of French and Spanish <u>Link to Vacancy</u>
- Year Team Administrator Link to Vacancy

#### **Diary Dates**

- 24th May Y11 end of formal timetable
- 27th May Half Term
- 3rd June Back to School
- 3rd June Y12 Mock Exams
- 3rd June Y9 Exam Week
- 6th June Y6 Enrichment Evening 2
- 10th June Y8 Exam Week
- 17th June Y7 Exam Week
- 18th June Y8 Consultation Evening



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#### 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-and-carer-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-harm-tickets-890197232887?

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#### **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. <a href="https://www.makegoodtrouble.co.uk/our-work/raising-teens/raising-teens-series-five/">https://www.makegoodtrouble.co.uk/our-work/raising-teens/raising-teens-series-five/</a>

The series is aimed at parents of teenagers, but is an excellent source for anyone supporting this cohort of young people.

#### Free Workshop for Parents and Carers regarding Self Harm

FREE workshops for parents and carers

Join other parents and carers in a safe and supportive environment to hear what is working for them and improve your understanding and skills to prevent and respond to self-harm.

https://www.angmeringschool.co.uk/assets/Self-Harm-Learning-Networks-Parents.pdf

# Key Contacts for parents/carers

Key Contact	Email Addresses	Phone Numbers			
Year 7 Key Contacts					
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Absence Reporting Via Text Messaging - 07860054571

## The Angmering School Attendance Overview





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	
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	



## 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.