

The Angmering School Weekly Newsletter 31

Friday 17th May

Dear parents/carers and students,

With the GCSE and A Level exams now in full swing the school has felt especially focused and purposeful this week. The Year 11 and Year 13 students have made an excellent start to the main exam period and we have seen lots of them coming out from exams reporting that they felt positive about their performance. This is of course a marathon, not a sprint, so they all need to maintain their excellent level of focus (with all of our help) until the last exam.

Year 10 also came through their period of mock exams really well and teachers have been busy marking papers and then providing detailed feedback to their students. This is a vital part of their preparations for 12 months time and will have given them a helpful insight into the demands of the final exams.

Comedy Show in support of the LNC

Time for a little light relief..... On **Saturday 14th September** we are playing host to the **'Just Kidding Comedy Club'** who organise and run comedy nights around the South East. They donate 30% of ticket revenue and 10% of the bar revenue to the school (in our case it will support the LNC Trust) at the same time as providing a great evening of entertainment. Tickets are £20 online or £25 on the door. Details have been included at the end of this letter. The QR code to go directly to the booking site is below. Please come along to support this great event.



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.

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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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.

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.

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.

Thanks for your continued support,

Simon Liley, Headteacher

Student and Community News

Positive behaviour in the community

We have received numerous positive comments and emails from the community about our students behavior. It's truly heartwarming to hear about the positive impact your child is making in the community. One particular incident that was shared with us involved a lady who fell off her bike outside our school. It was heartening to hear how our students, showed kindness and offered assistance during this time of need. It's moments like these that reaffirm the values we strive to instill in our students, and it's clear that your child is embracing those values wholeheartedly. Your child's positive behavior is truly making a difference, and we couldn't be prouder. Thank you for your ongoing support in nurturing such positive and compassionate individuals. Please pass on our heartfelt appreciation to your child.

"I was cycling home from Angmering village when i came off my bike just outside your school. Not one young person laughed or jeered, in fact one young lady asked if i was ok and did i need any help. My husband was with me so he was able to pick me up an dust me off, fortunately i only sustained some grazes and a bruised ego!"

"Thank you to a polite kid from Angmering school:

I was out jogging along on a shared footpath earlier (not the pavement) and he politely got off his bike, and pulled it to one side, so that I could continue jogging without breaking stride.

I thanked him for his gentlemanly behaviour."

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 - 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

Key Contacts for parents/carers

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Absence Reporting Via Text Messaging - 07860054571



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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. https://www.makegoodtrouble.co.uk/our-work/raising-teens/raising-teens-series-five/

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

The Angmering School Attendance Overview





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	



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.