

**Friday 4th
April**

Dear parents/carers and students,

As we near the end of the Spring term I would like to reflect on some of the amazing things which students and staff have achieved this term. Alongside the very important business of delivering great teaching, learning and pastoral care, our community has also enjoyed:

- Music Mania
- Dance showcases (and Dance Live!)
- Drama productions
- New Community Art installations
- Walking Talking Mocks (and real mocks too)
- A Creative Careers Day
- Sixth Form Charity Week
- Many, many sporting fixtures (and a lot of victories!)
- The PTA Quiz
- A "Get into teaching" coffee morning
- 7 school trips (and numerous visitors into school too)
- A magnificent Careers Fair



None of these things would be possible without the hard work and talent of our amazing staff teams. I am sure you will all join me in wishing them a very restful Spring break!

A plea from our local Crossing Patrols



There was an incident last week when a secondary school student, riding a bike, failed to stop at a primary school crossing patrol. The Crossing Patrol Officer was standing in the middle of the road at the time. A small child was hit by the cyclist but was not seriously injured. Please can we remind all students that it is an offence to fail to stop for a Crossing Patrol Officer and that failing to stop places children at risk. Please take care!

Sixth Form Charity Week



The students at Angmering Sixth Form recently ran a Charity week, raising money for Young Lives vs Cancer. Each day, the students ran a break time cake and sweets sale.

On Monday 24th, there was an Easter Egg hunt at lunchtime where students needed to find Eggs hidden around the school and complete a form to win an Easter Egg. On Wednesday afternoon students (who entered) were able to complete some Egg-cellent Challenges set up by our sports leaders on the school field and compete in a fun competition.

All of the events raised over £900 which has been donated to the charity. Well done and thanks to all of the Charity Committee members and everyone who supported this 'egg'cellent event.



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The Government wants to hear from young people!



The government is creating a new ten-year [National Youth Strategy](#) to tackle the challenges for this generation of young people and to ensure every young person can thrive. This strategy will bring power back to young people and their communities to improve youth focused services.

In order that they understand the needs and desires of young people, they have created a survey for anyone aged 10 to 21 to complete.

We would encourage you to [complete the survey](#) to share with the government what you think on a range of themes.

Road Safety information from West Sussex

Did you know that West Sussex Road Safety Team has a Road Safety Facebook page, which has now been running for approximately 3 years.

The page provides useful information about keeping you and your children safe on and around the roads.

[WSCC Road Safety - Facebook](#)

All ages can benefit from the information they post, which in turn could help to make your children's journeys to and from school safer, healthier, and overall easier for everyone.

Support for parents/carers from 'Action Your Potential'

As you know we're a #NeuroNinja school and our whole community benefits from support through [Action Your Potential](#).

As parents and carers of our school you can sign-up to the #NeuroNinja Learning Hub [- sign up here](#). This month on the hub there are 3 new courses for students, parents and carers.

- *Unpicking the Lock of OCD - A 7 Session Course about what OCD is in the brain and how we can tackle it*
- *Responding to Grief - An 8 Session course focused on what grief is in the brain and how we can respond to this intense experience*
- *Getting Our Hustle On - A 7 episode course for KS4 students focused on getting stuff done and tackling procrastination.*

A video explaining the [contents of these new courses is here](#).

The Angmering School is 50!

This year marks 50 years since the school opened for students and we are planning a celebration on 5th July when we will be looking back at all of the highlights of the first 50 years of our school.

We are asking members of the community for memories and images of the school over the years. We are hoping to put together an exhibition of the changing face of the school since 1975!

Please get digging through those old photos and yearbooks and if you are happy to share them please send a copy to our email address office@theangmeringschool.co.uk along with an estimated date of the photo and a description.

Please also join our 50th Anniversary Facebook page [here](#).

Thank you!



Think Pharmacy First

Most pharmacies in England are now providing the NHS Pharmacy First service which allows pharmacists to provide advice and where appropriate, supply NHS medicines for the following conditions:

- Earache (aged 1 to 17 years)
- Impetigo (aged 1 year and over)
- Infected insect bites (aged 1 year and over)
- Shingles (aged 18 years and over)
- Sinusitis (aged 12 years and over)
- Sore throats (aged 5 years and over)
- Urinary tract infections (UTIs) in women (aged 16 to 64 years)



If you have symptoms that suggest you may have one of these conditions, you can walk into a pharmacy and be offered a consultation with a pharmacist in a private consultation room. Your GP surgery may also refer you to the service if you contact them but they believe it is appropriate for you to be seen by a pharmacist.

If you have symptoms that suggest you have one of the above conditions, why not give the Pharmacy First service a try? For more information, visit nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst

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School Phone Line for Student Absences

In order to simplify the process of notifying the school when your child is too ill to attend, we have now amalgamated all of the year groups onto one central phone number. Please call the main reception number (01903 772351) for all absences. You will then be asked to **dial '1' to report absences** for Years 7-11 or **'6'** to report absences in the Sixth Form. Many thanks.

Absence must be reported for each day of absence.

Alternatively you can report your child's absence via our designed text number to 07860054571

Contacts for enquiries relating to absence

Year Group	Year Team Assistant	Direct Dial Numbers	Extension Numbers
Years 7, 8 and 9	Ms Lisa Jones	Tel 778323	323
Years 10 and 11	Mrs Sarah Silva	Tel 778331	331
Years 12 and 13	Mrs Pauline Carroll	Tel 778391	391

School Phone Line for Student Absences

I would just like to remind you all that the Walking, Talking Mocks continue apace. They take place after school and provide an excellent opportunity for students to learn more about excellent exam technique and core subject content. These are open to all Year 11 students and the schedule has been shared with them all (and can be seen below). Please encourage your children to attend. They are really powerful sessions.

REMAINING YEAR 11 WALKING TALKING MOCK SCHEDULE 2025

MATHS	THURSDAY	24 APRIL		ENGLISH	WEDNESDAY	7 MAY
SCIENCE	THURSDAY	1 MAY				

Please drive and park considerately when dropping off or picking up children

We have had a number of concerned residents contacting us since the start of term to ask that we remind parents/carers about the need to drive and park considerately when dropping off and picking up children. In particular we would ask that you avoid blocking driveways, which may prevent residents from entering or leaving their homes. It has also been noticed that parents/carers are not observing the Keep Clear markings at the main entrance; the area is therefore being patrolled by Arun Parking Enforcement Team because of their concern for pedestrian safety. Many thanks for your consideration.

Thanks for your continued support, have a lovely break and see you for the summer term,

Thanks for your continued support,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Simon Liley".

Simon Liley, Headteacher

Student and Community News

Arun Arts Work Celebration

Over the past three months, artists Mark and Rebecca Ford from Two Circles Design have been collaborating with students connected to the LNC to create commissioned artwork for the school community. Work began on a large, accessible "withie" sculpture at the roundabout. Then a painted murmuration of birds was spread across the school walls, alongside a circular mural in the gym.

An opening celebration took place last Friday, featuring an ice cream van, press coverage, and appearances by the artists and students who contributed to the project. A wonderful afternoon was enjoyed by all!



Brighton Marathon Fundraisers!



Three brave friends of the school are in training to run the Brighton Marathon on 6th April 2025. They are hoping to raise £1500 to support some of our LNC students to attend the Wheelpower National Junior Games at the Stoke Mandeville Stadium in June. The money will cover transport, food and accommodation for around 25 students to attend the three day championships.

The amazing runners are Charlotte Webb (ex Angmering Student) Steven Ward-Smith (uncle to one of our year 8 students) and Karen Miles (maths teacher). All have been training hard for the race over the last few months. Please click on the link below to donate whatever you can afford to this excellent cause. Thank you!

justgiving.com/campaign/marathon2025lnc

Please note - if you do make a donation, be aware of the JustGiving 'Tip' that may automatically be added - it is on a slide bar. You can reduce it back to 0, otherwise an extra 12.5 percent will be added to your donation. This is separate to Gift Aid. We wouldn't want for your generosity to be caught out!

London Marathon fundraiser!

Another one of our amazing colleagues, Graham Merritt-Blann is running the London Marathon this year. Graham was able to get in on a ballot place and decided to raise money for three charities, St Barnabas House, British Liver Trust & The Lavinia Norfolk Centre at The Angmering school. All three charities are close to Graham's heart and any donations will be greatly appreciated - thank you. <https://gofund.me/4d73e1c4>





**SAY THANK YOU TO A LOCAL SUPERSTAR
BY NOMINATING THEM FOR AN AWARD.**



Fred Rowley Award



Volunteer of the Year Award



Young Volunteer of the Year Award

To find out more, visit the link below or
contact the office for more information

<https://forms.office.com/e/nQLFuihT8W>

**Don't
miss your
chance to
nominate**

Closing date: 27 April 2025

01903 772124



admin@angmering-pc.gov.uk



Student and Community News

Exam Certificates Summer 2024

We are pleased to inform you that the summer 2024 exam certificates are now available for collection.

Collection Details:

Location: Main Reception, The Angmering School

Collection Dates/Times: Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Required Identification: Please ensure you bring valid identification when collecting your certificates. Without it, we will not be able to release them.

If you are unable to collect your certificates in person, or if you would like to nominate someone to collect them on your behalf, please contact dbrown@theangmeringschool.co.uk to arrange this.

Should you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

SUMMER EXAM
CERTIFICATES NOW
AVAILABLE FOR
COLLECTION

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 Geography and Food Technology
- Exam Invigilator

Diary Dates

- 04/04/2025 - Last day of Spring term - Students finish at 3.15pm
- 04/04/2025 - 11/04/2025 - Ski Trip
- 22/04/2025 - Start of the Summer Term
- 28/04/2025 - 09/05/2025 - Y10 Mock Exams
- 22/04/2025 - GCSE Art & Design (3d Design) Ext Set Exam, 9:00 am
- 24/04/2025 - GCSE Art & Design (3d Design) Ext Set - Group 2 Exam, 9:00am
- 01/05/2025 - BTEC Fitness Training And Programming Exam, 9:00am
- 08/05/2025 - GCSE Drama Written Paper Exam, 9:00am

Key Contacts for parents/carers

Key Contact	Email Addresses	Phone Numbers
Year 7 Key Contacts		
Mrs Jones (Attendance Officer)	ljones@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778323
Miss Pegden (Head of Year 7)	npegden@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778317
Mrs Ford (Student Support) & Mrs O'Hare (Student Support)	sford@theangmeringschool.co.uk dohare@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778341 (01903) 778389
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Mrs Jones (Attendance Officer)	ljones@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778323
Mr Middleton (Head of Year 8)	mmiddleton@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778339
Mrs Ford (Student Support)	sford@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778341
Year 9 Key Contacts		
Mrs Jones (Attendance Officer)	ljones@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778323
Mrs Wyatt (Head of Year 9)	swyatt@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778303
Mrs Ford (Student Support)	sford@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778341
Year 10 Key Contacts		
Mrs Silva (Attendance Officer)	ssilva@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778331
Mrs Fillery (Head of Year 10)	jfillery@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778311
Mrs O'Hare (Student Support)	dohare@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778389
Year 11 Key Contacts		
Mrs Silva (Attendance Officer)	ssilva@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778331
Mrs Hook (Head of Year 11)	lhook@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778338
Mrs O'Hare (Student Support)	dohare@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778389

Key Contacts for parents/carers

Sixth Form Key Contacts

Sixth Form	Mrs Knox (Leader of VI Form) Mrs Carroll (VI Form Admin) Emily Davies (VI Pastoral Coordinator)	hknox@theangmeringschool.co.uk pcarroll@theangmeringschool.co.uk edavies@theangmeringschool.co.uk	(01903) 778356 (01903) 778391 (01903) 778394
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Absence Reporting Via Text Messaging - 07860054571

[Should my child go to School today?](#)




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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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about INSTAGRAM

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

Instagram remains one of the world's most popular social media platforms, especially among teens – with around 70% of 13 to 17-year-olds using it. Owned by Meta, Instagram allows users to share photos and videos, create interactive 'stories', broadcast live, send private messages and follow others. With regular updates and new features, it's essential for parents and educators to stay informed about how children are using the app – and what the risks are.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

EXCESSIVE SCREEN TIME

Instagram's design encourages prolonged use through endless scrolling of trending content and generating a fear of missing out (FOMO). Children can quickly lose track of time browsing posts from friends, influencers, and strangers, which may disrupt their day-to-day activities.

AI CHATBOT CONCERNS

Meta's AI, which is available on Instagram, allows users to chat with an in-app chatbot. While often helpful, it can blur boundaries for young users, who may ask for or read content that is inappropriate or see it as a real friend or confidant. Privacy issues also arise, as conversations may not be as secure or private as children assume.

RISKS OF GOING LIVE

The livestream feature allows real-time broadcasting to followers – or anyone, if the account is public. This increases the chance of unwanted contact from strangers and pressure to act in ways that gain attention, including engaging in inappropriate behaviour. Viewers may also post offensive or harmful comments during live sessions.

THREADS INTEGRATION

Threads is Instagram's sister app for public, text-based conversations. Posts from Threads appear in users' Instagram feeds and can lead children to view, share, and comment on public conversations with strangers. The content may not always be age-appropriate and can be misleading or false.

SCHEDULED MESSAGING

Instagram's newer ability to schedule direct messages means that children could receive messages late at night or early in the morning. This can disrupt their sleep or keep them preoccupied before the school day even begins.

EXCLUSION AND LOW SELF-WORTH

Feeling left out online can have a real emotional impact. Being left out of photos, receiving fewer likes, being unfollowed, or being ignored in chats and comments can leave children feeling excluded, which often hurts as much as in real life. There is a risk this can lead to reduced self-esteem and a sense of not belonging.

Advice for Parents & Educators

USE INSTAGRAM'S SUPERVISION TOOLS

Instagram's built-in Family Centre lets parents monitor how much time their child spends on the app. Specialised 'teen accounts' are private by default and offer controls on who can message them. Make sure that children use their real age when registering their account to ensure they have these protections.

OPEN UP THE CONVERSATION

Talk regularly to the children in your care about what they enjoy on Instagram – and what makes them uncomfortable. Encourage honest chats about filters, body image, and online approval. Reassure them that they don't need to edit their appearance or chase 'likes' to feel valued.

SET BOUNDARIES FOR THREADS AND AI

Parental controls on Instagram also apply to Threads. These allow parents to monitor time spent in the app, check follower lists and adjust exposure to sensitive content. Discuss AI features, too, therefore helping children understand that chatbots aren't real people and should be used with care.

BE MEDIA-SAVVY WITH INFLUENCERS

Parents should follow a few of the influencers their child watches, so they can better understand the content they're seeing. Use this as a springboard to talk about the difference between genuine recommendations and paid promotions – and how online personalities can shape opinions and behaviour.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

The Lavinia Norfolk Centre

Presents
A

SUMMER FAYRE



THE ANGMERING SCHOOL
PLAYING FIELD

celebrating our
50th Anniversary

5th
JULY

STALLS / FUN

FOOD & REFRESHMENTS

GATES OPEN FROM 10AM - 2PM

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Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) for children

Children and young people aged 4 to 16 who are eligible* for benefits related free school meals can take part in free clubs during the Easter, Summer and Winter holidays. A free nutritious meal is provided as part of the scheme. Visit our website to find activities near you and book your place.

*Check eligibility on the webpage and find information about further support and activities available. Places are limited. Paid-for places may be available, contact individual clubs for availability.

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Charity Quiz Night

in aid of

Wadars Animal Rescue



Saturday 26th April

7pm - 10pm Angmering Village
Hall

£5 per person - teams of four to six people

Hotdogs / Veggie Hotdogs, Nibbles and
Soft Drinks

email fundraising@wadars.co.uk to enter



Your local animal rescue charity