



Newsletter

Friday 17th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a busy couple of weeks in school with the children continuing to work hard with their learning. Visitors into school have commented on how well behaved the children are and the displays show casing the work around school look wonderful.

On Friday 10th November we held a special Remembrance reflection and Mrs McDonald from Hampshire Music Service played The Last Post followed by a minute's silence. Every child in the school made a poppy using different resources and we made a whole school Remembrance display.



Thank you for your generosity for Children in Need. We raised £148.21 😊

Yesterday we were amazed by the dancing of our Chair of Governors and her son who are amateur Latin and ballroom dancers. The children got a taste of Strictly Come Dancing in school.

Kind regards,

Sara Allen

Headteacher (Interim)

Dates for your Diary...

Paula's Pop In every Friday at 2.30pm

INSET DAYS

Friday 9th February 2024

Thursday 28th March 2024

Friday 5th July 2024

Baptist church

The congregation and community of Andover Baptist Church have been busy fundraising for a very special project at school. We have been amazed at their generosity and kindness raising £4000 to repurpose a room in school to build a Food Technology room. This will allow all children to access cooking in the curriculum and learn valuable life skills. Watch this space as the project develops. Thank you 😊



Parking

Please be considerate of our neighbours in Hanover House. We have had a letter of complaint about how parents are parking but also how the residents are being spoken to when asked to move their cars. Please be polite and respectful.

School Shoes

Please ensure your children are wearing black school shoes not trainers to school in line with our uniform policy.

Christmas Cards

The school Eco Committee has had a meeting to decide on their focus for the half term. They have suggested children may like to write a card to their whole class rather than individuals to save trees. As a family you can choose to send individual cards or a class card.

The post box will be up and running for children to post their Christmas cards from 4th December.

Christmas Craft afternoons. Arrive at 2.15pm.

30th November - Year 4

1st December - Year 5

5th December - Year 3

7th December - Year 2

8th December - Year R

11th December - Year 6

13th December - Year 1



Christmas Church Services

Year R, 1 and 2 will share their Nativity play on **Monday 4th December at 1.30pm**. This will be held at St Mary's Church, and all are welcome to attend.

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 will share their Carols by Candlelight on **Wednesday 6th December at 1.30pm**. This will be held at St Mary's Church, and we look forward to seeing you there.

Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumper day

Tuesday 12th December – wear a Christmas jumper instead of your school jumper for the day! The lunch menu is now available on SCOPAY. Please pre-order by Friday 1st December.

Is your child starting school September 2024?

Admissions dates:

Year R Starting School 2024:

Deadline for applications 15th January 2024

If you have a child starting school in 2024 our open day is:

Tuesday 9th January 9.30am

Wraparound Care

After School Childcare available in partnership with Youth Options at The Scott Centre.

Youth Options collect children from school and take them, with an escort, to The Scott Centre at Mead Hedges, SP10 2LB. If you would like to book a place please contact Paige Richards at scottcentre@youthoptions.org.uk or 01264 332188.

Breakfast Club continues on site. Please book and pay via Scopay.

SEND Contact

Any queries about your IEP or EHCP please email send@andover-pri.hants.sch.uk Mrs Tickle our Deputy Headteacher & SENDCo is happy to answer your questions.

Family Support

Our Family Support Worker is Paula Lindfield and she is happy to answer any questions around family support you may need. Her email is p.lindfield@andover-pri.hants.sch.uk Paula can also be contacted directly on her school mobile phone - 07513105230

Absence and lateness

A reminder that our gates open daily at 08:40am and aim to close promptly at 08:55am.

Any child arriving after this time will need to enter school via the Office and will be marked as late. Please note that parents of any latecomers will be required to sign their child in via our signing in system. Please ensure you come to the Office with your child to do this.

If for any reason your child is unable to attend school, please ensure that you either call, email or text us before 09:10hrs to report the absence stating the reason/nature of the illness. <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Father,

Please pour out Your Blessings upon our whole school community so that everyone grows in the knowledge of Your truth, love, wisdom and peace. In Jesus name we pray.

Amen

