



Newsletter

Friday 3rd November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a good half term.

The children have come back well rested and ready to learn. We have a very busy few weeks in the build up to Christmas and we are particularly excited at the opportunities we are able to offer to our families to come and join in with our learning.

So....following the success of the Christmas Craft afternoons introduced last year we will be doing the same again this year! We also have our Carols by Candlelight service at the church for Years 3 to 6 and a Nativity service for our younger children. All the dates are at the end of this newsletter and more details will follow closer to each event.

Our wonderful PTA also have some great Christmas events coming up. Details to follow.

Kind regards,

Sara Allen

Headteacher (Interim)

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

Thank you from Andover Foodbank.....



Dates for your Diary...

Paula's Pop In every Friday at 2.30pm

INSET DAYS

Monday 6th November 2023

Friday 9th February 2024

Thursday 28th March 2024

Friday 5th July 2024

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!

Admissions dates:

Year R Starting School 2024:

Deadline for applications 15th January 2024

Is your child starting school September 2024?

If you have a child starting school in 2024 our open days are:

Thursday 9th November 1.30pm

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 Scipay.

Uniform

If you would like to order a PE T shirt, please use SCOPAY and your child will receive them via their class teacher. Outstanding orders have been issued and we have further stock available.

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

Smart Watches

Smart watches are not allowed to be worn to school due to safeguarding of children and staff. They will be kept safe until the end of the day and returned to parents.

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.

Google Classroom

If you need support to log in please speak to your class teacher. All homework is set on a Thursday each week.

This week celebrated All Saints' Day on the 1st November. It commemorates the Christian belief that there is life after death. It is when Christians celebrate that all people who follow Jesus Christ and his teachings will be reunited in heaven after they die.

A prayer for the term ahead:

We pray our school will be a place of great discovery,
adventure and creativity.

May it be a place where we love to learn and
where we learn to love,

A place where everyone is respected and all
are deeply valued.

We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

