

# Newsletter

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024

## **Diary Dates**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup>
December
KS1 Nativity at the church at 1.30pm

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>
December
KS2 Carols at the
church at 1.30pm

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>
December
Christmas Lunch
and Christmas
jumper day.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>
December
Break up for
Christmas holidays
at 1.30pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had lots of visitors in school over the past couple of weeks and they have all commented on how engaged the children are with their learning and how strong their learning behaviours are. Well done to all the children and staff.

The children enjoyed learning about first aid as part of their Safety First PSHE units with Resus Rangers. Year 6 learnt about CPR, and performed this on their teddies!

Thank you to Andover Community Church who have raised some funds to support us in developing an additional learning space in school.

There is so much to celebrate at the moment that it brings me sadness to say that I have been made aware of negative comments within WhatsApp and on social media groups. We would like to encourage the admins responsible for the groups to either disband them, or block negative commenting please, as this is unhelpful for you, your children and our staff team. We have worked hard to establish a positive and uplifting culture, where we tackle any challenges openly and honestly. Please consider the things that you write and post carefully. If you would not be comfortable saying it in person to us, perhaps it should not be written either.

Thank you for all your contributions towards Children in Need. We raised £142.70 which is a great achievement.

Have a lovely weekend when it comes.

Mrs Fiona Tickle Headteacher

#### **Tuck shop**

Please make sure your children's tuck shop money is in a labelled purse or envelope and not loose in coat pockets, so it does not fall out while the children are playing. We have reminded the children they are not to buy items for their friends. As much as this is lovely, it can pose an allergy risk. Children need no more than £1 each day as they are only allowed to buy 2 items. Thank you for your support with this.

### Breakfast Club 7.45am-8.40am

Please ensure you are taking your children round to Breakfast Club to sign them in with the staff. Children cannot be left unattended on site. This is really important for Safeguarding so we know which children are on site.

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### **School Uniform**

If you require any items of school uniform, including PE T-shirts, Book Bags or Jumpers/Cardigans, these can now be purchased via Stitch-a-Logo. Please visit their website via the link below:-

https://www.stitch-a-logo.co.uk/sal-school-orderform.php?sid=2

## New Year R Open Days

If you missed the open days please do get in touch with the office to arrange a visit, adminoffice@andover-pri.hants.sch.uk

#### Good Grub Club

The Lighthouse are running a Good Grub Club on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2024. Good Grub Clubs are free and families will lean how to make a simple one pot meal, create gingerbread decorations and make Christingle Bucks Fizz. Each family also gets a free recipe bag. For further information, please click on the link below:-

https://stmarysandover.churchsuite.com/events/jbrpmxfy

#### **Inset Days**

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025 Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025

# **Christmas Craft Activity Dates**

## Parents are invited to attend at 2:15pm

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Year 4 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Year 5 Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Year 3 Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Year 2 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Year R Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Year 1





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#### WHO TO CONTACT IF YOU HAVE A CONCERN ABOUT A CHILD

If you are worried about a child's safety, please do not hesitate to contact any of the Designated Safeguarding Leads straight away.

The following members of staff are Designated Safeguarding Leads for Andover Church of England Primary School:-

- Mrs Fiona Tickle
- Mrs Samantha Scott
- Mrs Charlotte Down

They can be contacted through the school office via email (adminoffice@andover-pri.hants.sch.uk) or telephone on 01264 352322

Safeguarding Governor:- Mrs Nicky Parker

For a copy of the school's Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy, please visit our school website or ask at the school office.