

Newsletter

Friday 12th December 2025

Diary Dates

Wednesday 17th December

Christmas lunch
and Christmas
jumper/dress down
day

Friday 19th December

Break up for
Christmas holidays
at 1.30pm

Monday 5th January 2026

Start of the Spring
Term

Inset Days

27.03.2026
01.06.2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week feels like a real celebration of our wonderful school community. I am sure you will have read our SIAMS inspection report which is a fantastic reflection of the school. A lovely way to end the Autumn term and 2025.

The children performed with such enthusiasm on Tuesday at the church services. KS1 and Early Years told the Christmas story with clear lines and fantastic acting skills from Year 2, super singing and dancing from Year 1 and R. Thank you for providing the costumes and spending time helping the children learn their lines. KS2 sang their carols beautifully and there were stand out moments from Year 6 readers, the brass band and choir.

After a very successful term of learning the clarinet, Year 4 and 5 shared their talent with you! Information will be coming out about how they can join the school band in January.

The winter fair was very well supported and thanks goes to Mrs Davies and the school council for their efforts in organising and running the stalls. We raised £515 for school funds.

The Christmas post box is open for cards up until Thursday 18th December. Please add the name and child's class so our postie's can give out the right cards.

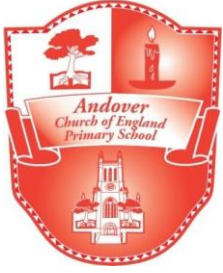
We will put out all the lost property on a table during the last week of term for parents to reclaim. If there are named items, we will endeavour to return these.

Reminder if you are applying for a Year R school space for September 2026, applications close on January 15th 2026.

Curriculum newsletters will be coming out in the first week after Christmas and do ask your children's teachers if you need more information about their learning.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year. As a school there is so much to look forward to in 2026.

Mrs Fiona Tickle
Headteacher



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Knock Knock!

The whole school watched Year R, Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity last Friday in the hall. The three youngest classes in the school wore sparkly, shiny costumes with lots of detail and they looked amazing. All the children were singing beautifully and they had learnt the Nativity songs off by heart. Some of the children had speaking parts in the play and they were absolutely fantastic. We really enjoyed the show last week and we hope you enjoyed the performance in Church earlier this week too.

Written by Mabel and Liliana

Edited by Young reporters

House points

This half term's house points - well done to Danebury who are leading the way!

Danebury	Viking	Normans	Saxons
1319	1127	1149	1209

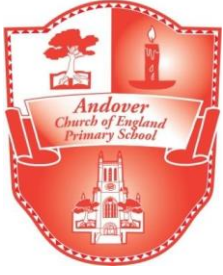
Attendance

Thank you to everyone for working with us to improve whole school and individual attendance. We really do appreciate your efforts as we head towards the end of term. Our whole school attendance is 94.1% and National is 94.7%.

Direct phone number: 07513 105230

Or contact FAO FSW adminoffice@andover-pri.hants.sch.uk

We work in line with Hampshire County Council policy and do not authorise holidays during term time unless it is due to an exceptional circumstance. Should you choose to take a holiday of 5 days or more, you will be issued with a Penalty Notice.



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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
- Miss Chelsea Barrett
- Mrs Charlotte Down
- Mrs Claire Webb

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.