

Newsletter

Friday 1st May 2026

Diary Dates

May

6th Year 2 Seacity trip

7th Year 3

Winchester Science Centre trip

15th Year R and 6 Bucklebury Farm trip

18th-22nd Walk to school week

20th Sports day

21st Discos

25th-29th Half Term

June

1st INSET day

2nd-5th Book Fair

3rd Reserve sports day

23rd and 24th Year 1-6 parents evenings

July

3rd Year 2 and 3 country dancing festival

10th Summer Fair

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had a really fantastic two weeks in the sunshine! It has been lovely to see the children playing on the field and enjoying more freedom of space. There are lots of trips coming up and sports day is round the corner so it certainly feels like summer is coming now!

I would like to say a huge well done to our Year 6 cohort who are working so hard and so positively towards their SATS. Mr Bown and I are so proud of you all! Enjoy the long weekend!

If you are shopping in Tesco's please remember to put your blue tokens in our box! We are one of the 3 organisations currently aiming for a grant of up to £1500 to support food provision in our wrap around care.

Thank you for your responses to the working party dates. We are moving tomorrow's date to Saturday 16th May and then as planned on Tuesday 26th May. We look forward to seeing as many people as possible.

We're getting ready for our Summer Fair on Friday 10th July and would love your help. If you're able to donate an item, voucher, or experience for our raffle, it would make a huge difference. All contributions, big or small, are truly appreciated. Thank you for supporting our school community. Please contact the school office at adminoffice@andover-pri.hants.sch.uk with any donations.

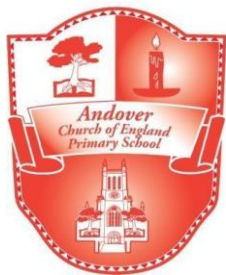
There should be no mobile phones brought into school other than Year 6. If phones are found they will be kept in the school office and parents will need to collect them at the end of the day.

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend.

Fiona Tickle
Headteacher

Sporting News

The boys football team in Year 6 took on Anton Junior School on Thursday afternoon. They were praised for their sportmanship, respect and teamwork. They also secured a solid win with a score of 4-0. Well done boys!



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22nd 1.30pm Break
up for summer
holidays

Summer Plans

This term, we have lots of exciting events to look forward to including sports day, Year 6 enrichment week and the school discos. Mrs Whalley has been busy planning sports day and sporting events and now that we can use the field, we have lots of opportunities to practise the skills before the big day. Year 6 have been working so hard to prepare for Biscuit Week and are very much looking forward to enrichment week after this too! The school discos have been organised now and we are busy discussing which outfit to wear for this. Watch this space for more exciting updates on our amazing school in two weeks time.



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Year 6 Dates

- 11th-14th May Year 6 SATS week
- 22nd June Year 6 Leavers service at Winchester Cathedral- children only
- 22nd -26th June enrichment week
- 15th July Graduation at The Lights Year 6- parents will receive an invite
- 16th July Leavers party 4-6pm children only
- 20th July Year 6 show- parents invite to follow
- 21st July Leaver's service 10am at St Mary's Church with parents

New Year R 2026

There will be lots of information coming out over the next few weeks and the office have been in touch about bringing paperwork into school to confirm your school place.

Parent only meeting:
Tuesday 9th June 5.00 - 6.00pm

Stay and play sessions for both children and parents:

Tuesday 16th June 3:15 - 4:15pm
Thursday 25th June 3:15 – 4:15pm

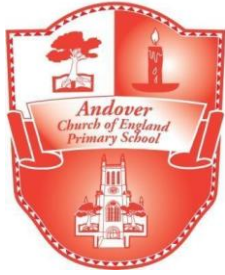
2026/2027 Inset Days

- Tuesday 1st September 2026
- Monday 30th November 2026
- Friday 12th February 2027
- Monday 12th April 2027
- Monday 7th June 2027

House points

This week's house points - Well done to Danebury who are leading the way!

Danebury	Viking	Normans	Saxons
988	832	812	936



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Attendance- Late Arrivals

The school gates open at 8.35am and close at 8.45am. There has been an increase in some children arriving after the school gates have closed. Late arrival means children are missing important parts of the school day.

This was an action for parents from our Ofsted report in June 2025 where it was stated, "Too many children arrive late to school. These pupils miss valuable learning and, as a result, have gaps in their knowledge."

The school office is a very busy place first thing in the morning. We would therefore appreciate families arriving early enough for children to enter through the main gates and to their classroom doors, rather than coming through the office. This also helps with communication with the class team.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us ensure a calm and positive start to the day for all our pupils.

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.