

**Andrews' Endowed  
Church of England Primary School  
Newsletter**

**Autumn Term**

**[Weekly Timetable on P2] w/e 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

**Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,**

**Welcome Back Everyone**

It is lovely to see everyone back again after the summer break. Our first groups of Acorns started this week – welcome to Lottie, Oliver, Elijah, Joseph, Isobel, Simon, Alfie B, Harry, Izabella-Grace, Rafferty, Isla, Mackenzie, Jack, Henry, Phoebe, Alfie F, Hattie, Willow, Grace, Jacob M and Alex. We look forward to the arrival of our remaining group next week. We welcome Sophia who has joined Y1 and Cameron and Finley who have joined Year 4. We also extend a warm welcome to our new members of staff, Miss Charlotte Mills Year 1 teacher, Mrs Sarah Pooley Year 5 teacher, Mrs Jill Ronaasen who joined the Acorns as an SNA and Mrs Jennie Bull who is joining our team in the school office on a Friday.

**Welcome to Class Meetings**

A reminder that next week we are holding the last of our welcome meetings for parents and carers of children in Years 1, 3, 4 and 5. After dropping off your child, please wait by the cycle store until it is time for the gates to be closed. You are then welcome to wait outside the classroom (Y3/Y4) or in the hall (Y1/Y5) until the teachers are ready for you. Please ask me at the gate if you are unsure - the timetable overleaf gives details of the days.

**Prompt Arrivals Please!**

Please ensure that children arrive in plenty of time for the Register, which is taken at 8.55 am. All children need to be in class by this time, to enable them to make a confident and settled start to their day. The gate is closed to any further arrivals at 8.55 am, and latecomers need to go straight to the office. A gentle reminder that from Monday onwards, no parent should be going through to the classes in the morning unless their child is new to the school, or is in Acorns. If you have messages for teachers, please send a note, or speak to me at the gate.

**Singing Worship – Fridays at 9.05 am**

The children were in fine voice this morning as we began our Singing Worship for the year. We are singing again next week, and would love parents and carers to join us if you are free. This year we are increasing the number of songs we learn with accompanying signs. Some of our songs will use Makaton, and others will use British Sign Language – you are very welcome to come along and learn with us. Today we began to learn the Makaton Signs to accompany 'Life's a Happy Song' (which I am reliably informed by the children is from The Muppets). We had a lot of fun!

**Building work!**

We have been waiting patiently for the final go-ahead for the complete replacement of the School House roof. As the school house is a Listed Building, all building works take much longer to organise than for a run of the mill building. An added complication for us is that the roof is home to several species of bats, and as a result we have been waiting for the all-important Bat Mitigation Licence to be granted. The final go-ahead came through yesterday, and so we expect work to begin next week.

All the health and safety checks have been done, and we will be liaising with the contractors on a daily basis to ensure that everyone is safe while the work is being carried out. I would be grateful for your help in keeping the children well away from the scaffolding and hoardings at all times.

You may need to be particularly watchful if you visit the school during the time when the children are in the classrooms, as this is likely to be when most activity is taking place. The contractors will occasionally need to move materials from their store which is on the grass bank behind the Acorns car park gate, or from their site hut (purple, of course!) situated in the car park.

The work is expected to take around seven weeks, but is weather dependent. Should you be wondering why the work couldn't take place during the summer holidays, it's all down to the bats, I'm afraid – work can't take place in summer as this is their maternity period!

**One Year and Counting ...**

**Andrews' Endowed CE Primary School's Tercentenary Year 2019-2020**

The replacement of the school house roof is the first stage in a year of preparations for the school's 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Beginning *next* September, we will be celebrating 300 years since Thomas Andrews left money in his will for a school to be established for the children of Holybourne and the surrounding villages. We have lots of special events and ideas in mind, and will shortly be holding a planning meeting for anyone who would like to get involved – watch this space!

**Headteacher's Awards - will be back next week.**

## **Parking**

A reminder to everyone that driveways, roads and exits **must not** be blocked, even for 'a moment' when you are looking for a place to park before or after school. Parking on the corner of Howard's Lane is particularly dangerous, as it forces pedestrians out into the road on a blind junction. Please park with consideration to help us keep everyone safe, and to ensure we maintain good relationships with our neighbours.

Please may we remind parents that unless you have been given specific permission by Mrs Lloyd, cars must not be brought onto the school grounds. All parents dropping or picking up Acorns, or dropping off for Breakfast Club or picking up from activity clubs, Drama, Football and CM Sports must park on the road and walk up to collect their children. The only exception is for those parents picking up from **After School Club itself**. This exception is because pick-up generally happens **after 4.45pm**, long after the rest of the children have left the premises and therefore there is no risk to other children from the after school club vehicles. If you collect your child **before 4.30pm** from the After School Club we would ask that you park in the road and walk up.

## **Autumn Term 2018 School Lunches**

The cost of a school meal has increased to £2.30 with effect from 5<sup>th</sup> September. The increase in price seeks to cover the cost of the National Living Wage and to enable HC3S to maintain the high quality of meals despite continuing inflationary pressures, particularly on food. The cost, therefore, for school lunches for the first half of the **Autumn Term is £73.60** (32 lunches) or £11.50 per week. Although you can pay on a daily basis our preferred payment would be on **a weekly basis or paying a half term in advance**. This would cut down on daily cash handling in the office and ensure all dinner money is paid in advance of the meal being taken. If your child is ill, on a trip or decide they don't want a lunch the credit would be carried over to the following week. Please don't forget you can always use the online banking system which gives you the flexibility to pay by credit or debit card. Your child will still have the flexibility of opting to have a school dinner on a daily basis and any credit will roll over to the following week and you can keep a check of your child's account. If you are continuing to pay cash/cheque please can you ensure that all dinner money is put in a sealed envelope and clearly marked with your child's name and the amount enclosed and sent in via your child's class teacher and **is paid in advance of the meal being taken**.

## **Paying "on-line" with SCOPAY**

If you would like to pay on-line but haven't yet given it a go please pop into the school office and Mrs White can re-issue your child's pupil code. It is a great way of keeping track of trips, music lessons, ASC/BC costs as well as dinners.

## **Music Lessons**

Just to confirm that lessons will commence **w/c 10<sup>th</sup> September** and the lessons will be running on the following days of the week: Brass on Monday, Violin on Tuesday, Woodwind and Cello on Thursday and Guitar on Friday. Please ensure that your child brings their instrument into school first thing in the morning as lesson times are subject to change. We would also be grateful if you would check that their instrument case (and music books) are clearly labelled on the outside with their full name – thank you. We still have a few spaces left for Brass and Woodwind if there are any children who would like to give it a go.

## **CM Sports**

Both CM and Pompey will be restarting **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September** for Pompey and **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September** for CM Sports. *Please remember that Acorns cannot start either of these clubs in the Autumn Term. Acorns can join CM Sports in the Spring Term and Pompey in the Summer Term.* If you would like to book your child/ren for either of these clubs we ask that you call the clubs directly: Pompey – 023 9272 8899 and CM Sports – 023 9298 7881 – thank you.

## **School-Led Clubs**

Please be on the look-out for a letter coming soon about the clubs staff will be offering this term. An advance notice that Drama Club will run on a fortnightly basis this year, on alternate Thursdays, due to an unavoidable change to Mrs Lloyd's meeting schedule.

## **Pet Show for Children –Saturday 27th September**

We are looking forward to seeing all the lovely pets on show at our Pet Show on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September**. It will start at 11am and finish at 1pm. We still have a few places left in some of the categories so if you would like to enter your pet please pop into the office on Monday to pick up a form. There is an entry fee of £1 for adults and children will be free. *Please be aware that only pre-registered pets will be allowed on site.*

## **PTFA AGM**

Advance notice: they are holding their AGM on **Thursday 27th September** at 3.35. They meet in the Year 6 classroom with a DVD for the children. It lasts around 30 minutes and they run through the last year. Please come along, all are welcome. They have lots of members who cannot make evening meetings but support the PTFA in lots of ways. Pop in and see what the PTFA is all about – thank you.

## **Administration of Non-Prescribed Medicine**

County Policy states we can administer non-prescribed medicines on request from a parent if they are in a clearly identifiable pack and on a short term basis. However, there is clarification that medicine containing aspirin and/or ibuprofen may not be administered to any child unless prescribed by a doctor. Parents who occasionally ask us to administer these medicines will be asked to bring in an alternative or ask their doctor for a prescription. In all cases, medicine must be delivered to and from the office by an adult, who will still need to fill in the necessary consent form. This includes any skin creams or cough sweets which must come into the office rather than left with the child in their school bag – thank you.

## **Sickness and Diarrhoea**

If your child has sickness or diarrhoea they must not return to school for a full 48 hours after their symptoms have completely stopped. If your child is off sick for any reason please can you ensure that you call the school by 9 am and leave a message on the answer phone rather than emailing the office as emailed messages are not picked up before 9.30 am. Also if you have another child in the school you should still call the office rather than sending a message in via the sibling.

## **Nut and Kiwi Fruit Allergy – and a general reminder about Lunch Boxes**

May we remind parents that due to some children in the school having a severe nut or kiwi fruit allergy, we ask that children do not bring nuts, kiwi fruit or products containing either to school in their lunch boxes or as their fruit snack. This includes checking yoghurts and smoothies, and remembering to avoid Nutella type products. We cannot guarantee ourselves to be a “nut or kiwi free” environment, but we do try to help those with severe allergies by not bringing these products into school.

Please continue to ensure that lunch boxes contain a healthy, balanced meal – with absolutely no sweets, and savoury snacks as an occasional treat rather than a daily inclusion. Also if your child has grapes in their lunch box or as a snack please can you ensure that they are cut in half lengthwise, rather than sent in whole - thank you.

## **Cool Milk Scheme**

Don't forget if you would like your child to receive milk in school your child must be registered with Cool Milk. You can apply on line at [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) or by paper application (copies held in the school office). You must register your child by Tuesday 5pm to start receiving milk the following week. If you have any questions regarding this you can contact Cool Milk directly on **0844 854 2913**. If your child is in Acorns and under 5 they will receive milk FREE but you must ensure that your child is registered **before** their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday if you wish your child to continue with milk.

## **Birthday Books**

Check your child's book bag next week for details of the successful scheme introduced to the school last year, whereby your child can celebrate their birthday by presenting a book to the school. All you need to do is ensure you return the slip at the bottom of the letter with the payment (50p, £1 or £2.50) by Wednesday of the week before your child's birthday. Your child will then get the opportunity on Friday to select a book of their choice which they will get the chance to show to the school at the next Celebration Worship. If you lose the letter over the course of the year please pop into the office for another copy.



Mrs Maria Lloyd

***A reminder that the remaining INSET days for this year are – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February and Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.***

## **Class Assemblies**

*All assemblies start promptly at 3.00 pm in the Hall*

Y6 – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October \* Y2 – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October  
Y4 – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October \* Y5 – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November \* Y3 – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> November

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## SCHOOL WEEKLY TIMETABLE

*This Week's Collective Worship Theme: Let Your Light Shine*

	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Morning</b> 8.55 –12.00	<i>Year 4 Welcome Meeting 9.00 am</i>	Year 3 Welcome Meeting 9.00 am	Year 1 Welcome Meeting 9.00 am	Year 5 Welcome Meeting 9.00 am	
<b>Collective Worship</b>	9.05 Collective Worship	Celebration Worship 9.05 am	Collective Worship 9.05 am	9.05 Collective Worship	9.05 Singing Worship (Parents and Carers welcome)
<b>Lunchtime</b> 12.00– 1/1.15pm					
<b>Afternoon</b> 1 / 1.15 –3.30	<i>Summer Born Acorns start 1.00 to 3.30 pm</i>				
<b>After School Activities</b>				Pompey Football Year 1-6 1 of 6 3.30–4.30pm	CM Sports Year 1-6 1 of 5 3.30-4.30pm
<b>Evening Activities</b>	6.30 pm Y6 Calshot Information Briefing (Hall)				

### Spring Term 2019

7th January – 15<sup>th</sup> February

Half Term – 18<sup>th</sup> February – 22<sup>nd</sup> February

26<sup>th</sup> February – 5<sup>th</sup> April

(NB: INSET DAY – 25<sup>th</sup> February)

Easter Holiday – 8<sup>th</sup> April – 22<sup>nd</sup> April

### Autumn Term 2018

5<sup>th</sup> September – 19<sup>th</sup> October

(NB: INSET DAYS – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> September)

Half Term – 22<sup>nd</sup> October – 26<sup>th</sup> October

29<sup>th</sup> October – 21<sup>st</sup> December

Christmas Holiday: 24<sup>th</sup> December – 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019

### Summer Term 2019

23<sup>rd</sup> April – 24<sup>th</sup> May

Half Term – 27<sup>th</sup> May – 31<sup>st</sup> May

3<sup>rd</sup> June – 23<sup>rd</sup> July

(NB: INSET DAY – 3<sup>rd</sup> June)

## Andrews' Endowed Church of England Primary School - Autumn Term 2018 Dates

<b>September</b>	
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome Meeting – Year 4
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Calshot Information Briefing 6.30 pm
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome Meeting – Year 3
Weds 12 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome Meeting – Year 1
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome Meeting – Year 5
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup>	Chocolate "MUFTI" Day for the Pet Show
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Calshot
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>	School Closed – INSET Day
	Children return from Calshot (school will be open for the coach return)
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Pet Show
<b>October</b>	
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evenings 3.40 – 6.30
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evenings 5.00 – 8.00
<b>November</b>	
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	Individual Children's Photographs
<b>December</b>	
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>	Grandparents Afternoon Tea followed by KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Nativity 2pm
Weds 12 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Nativity 6pm