

Anton Infant School

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Every Child Always

Newsletter Friday 5th September 2025

Dear families,

Welcome back to a brand-new school year! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable summer. It's been a joy to see the children return to school with such big smiles and enthusiasm, and we're so proud of how well they have settled back into routines already.

Your children have been fantastic this week – exploring their new classrooms, meeting their teachers, and settling into learning with confidence and curiosity. Thank you for helping to make the return to school such a positive experience. Our Year R team has been busy visiting our new families at home and we are very much looking forward to welcoming all of our new Year R children into school next week.

As we begin this new academic year, we would like to share some of our key priorities and focus areas for the year ahead.

This year, we're continuing to build on the strong foundations we've already laid and focus on areas that will have the greatest impact on your child's learning and wellbeing.

Teaching and Learning

We're working hard to ensure children not only learn but retain key knowledge over time, helping them build lasting understanding across the curriculum.

SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities)

During our recent Ofsted inspection, we were recognised for our SEND provision 'There is a clear ambition for pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) to achieve well. The school quickly identifies pupils' individual needs. This means adaptations in lessons for pupils with SEND are precise across the curriculum. As a result, pupils with SEND achieve well.' (Ofsted report April 2025) This is an area we will be developing even further.

Writing

Developing confident, expressive writers is a key goal this year. We'll be placing a strong focus on writing across the school, helping children to build essential writing skills.

School Community

We truly value the partnerships we have with you. This year, we aim to foster even stronger, collaborative relationships with our families through regular communication, workshops, and more opportunities to be involved in school life.

We're looking forward to an exciting year of learning, fun, and working together.

Have a great weekend

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Diary Dates

SEPTEMBER

Thur 11th – Meet the teacher 3.30 – 4.30 pm

Wed 17th – New Year R ONLY – Phonics evening 5.30 – 6.30pm

Fri 26th – McMillian Coffee Afternoon 3.15 – 4.15pm

Tue 30th – Relationship & Health Education Workshop for families 5.30 – 6.30pm

OCTOBER

Wed 1st – Benefits of Risky Play Workshop

Tue 7th – School Photos

Mon 20th – Pumpkin Competition

NOVEMBER

Tue 11th – Flu Vaccinations

Fri 14th – Children In Need



2025/2026 INSET DAYS

- 3rd November 2025
- 5th January 2026
- 23rd February 2026
- 1st June 2026

SCHOOL CLUBS

Mon – Fri – 360 After School Club
(Run by 360)

- **Ready**
- **Respectful**
- **Safe**



MEDICATION HELD IN SCHOOL

If your child requires medication please bring this to the school office. There will be a short form to complete when dropping this off.

SCHOOL OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Please see our office opening hours on the attached link.

<https://www.antoninfantschool.com/school-opening-hours/>

PARKING

Please be aware that our car park is for **STAFF ONLY** at ALL times, unless agreed in advance.



JEWELLRY IN SCHOOL

We kindly ask that NO hoops earrings are worn. Please ensure your child has flat studs in.

Watches are allowed but we state NO smart watches

BREAKFAST CLUB

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club please complete and return the Registration Form and Terms & Conditions attached on the link below:

<https://www.antoninfantschool.com/school-clubs>

LATE / ABSENCE PROCEDURE

The attached link details our Late / Absence Procedures. We would appreciate it if you could familiarise yourself with this.

<https://www.antoninfantschool.com/lateabsence-procedures>

HOME TOYS

We kindly ask that these remain at home in order to keep them safe from being lost or damaged.

THIS TERMS LUNCH MENU

Dinner Times

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

TRADITIONAL AUTUMN

V = Vegetarian, VC = Vegan
GF = Gluten Free *NEW RECIPE for 2025*

Week 1

1st Sept, 22nd Sept, 13th Oct
3rd Nov, 24th Nov, 15th Dec

Margherita Pizza & Garlic Slice (V)
Chinese BBQ Noodles (VC)
* Spinach & Potato Curry with Steamed Rice (VC) (GF) *
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Green Beans, Sweetcorn
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Vanilla Ice Cream (V)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Crispy Chicken Dippers & Tomato Based Sauce
* Quorn Dippers & Tomato Based Sauce (VC) *
Baked Bean Melt (V)
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Steamed Rice, Sweetcorn, Broccoli
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
* Marble Sponge & Custard (V) *
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Roast Chicken (GF)
Plant Based Sausages (VC)
Cheesy Pasta (V)
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Gravy
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Raspberry Jelly & Peaches (VC)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

* Home Made Beef & Vegetable Pie *
Tomato & Herb Pasta Bake (V)
Shepherdess Pie (VC)
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Mashed Potatoes, Savoy Cabbage, Carrots
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Winter Fruit Crumble & Custard (V)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Breaded Fish Fingers
Vegetable Grill (VC)
* Indian Sausage Roll (VC) *
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Lemon Cookie (VC)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Week 2

8th Sept, 29th Sept
20th Oct, 10th Nov, 1st Dec

Margherita or Vegetable Supreme Pizza (V)
Authentic Vegetable Curry & Steamed Rice (VC)
Baked Sweet Potato Omelette (V)
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Baked Potato Wedges, Sweetcorn, Green Beans
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Ice Cream & Fruit (V)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Mild Fajita Chicken, with Nachos & Steamed Rice
Neapolitan Pasta (VC)
Cheese & Tomato Panini Melt (V)
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Cabbage, Carrots
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Fruit Crunch & Custard (V)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Sausage Stuffed Yorkshire Pudding
Cauliflower Cheese Loaded Yorkshire Pudding (V)
* Traditional Beef Exeter *
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Gravy
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Lemon Drizzle Cake (V)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Cheddar & Chicken Pasta Bake
Vegetable Burrito (VC)
Pasta Bolognese
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Broccoli, Sweetcorn
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
* Jam Sponge & Custard (VC) *
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Breaded Fish Fingers
Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake
Cheese & Tomato Quiche (V)
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Chocolate Cookie (VC)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Week 3

15th Sept, 6th Oct
27th Oct, 17th Nov, 8th Dec

Margherita or Sweetcorn Pizza with Pasta Salad (V)
Italian Tomato Pasta (VC)
* Loaded Mexican Style Wedges (V) *
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Green Beans, Sweetcorn
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Crispy Cake (VC)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Macaroni Cheese (V)
* Chicken Tikka Biryani & Naan Bread *
Pepperoni Melt
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Cauliflower, Peas
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Apple Cake & Custard (V)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Roast Chicken (GF)
Baked Bean Cheesy Puff (V)
* Traditional Scouse (GF) *
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

New Potatoes, Carrots, Savoy Cabbage, Gravy
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Strawberry Mousse (V)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

The Dolce All Day Breakfast
The Dolce All Day Veggie Breakfast (V)
* Singapore Noodles (VC) *
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Hash Brown, Baked Beans, Peas
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
Fresh Fruit Salad (VC)
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Breaded Fish Fingers
Fishless Fingers (VC)
Cheese & Onion Gratin (V)
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VC) (GF)

Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup
Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread
* Hot Chocolate Fudge Pudding (V) *
Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt



BREAD AVAILABLE DAILY

If your school has dietary requirements, such as halal, this will be automatically applied to your menu via SchoolGrid and does not change the type of menu you select here. Please contact your Area Manager if you ever need to change this.

Please take a few minutes to ensure you have ordered lunches for next week.

Opportunity
Make a difference



Apply to be a parent governor

We are currently seeking applicants for the opportunity to join our school's governing body

Successful applicant(s) will:

- join a friendly and dedicated team;
- be supported to develop useful new skills and knowledge;
- work with school leaders to assist children and young people to fulfil their aspirations;
- give something of significant value back to our community.



Please get in touch to find out more about this opportunity

Closing date
11th July 2025



Contact **John Honeybun**
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You can find out more about the governing body on our website:
antoninfantschool.com/governors

For more information about being a school governor in Hampshire visit:
hants.gov.uk/governors-volunteer



Scouts

12th Andover (West)

Interested in Squirrel Scouts?



**We're looking at opening a new Squirrel Drey within
12th Andover (West) Scout Group.**

**Have you got a young person aged between 4 - 5.5 years
who wants to join Squirrels?**

**Are you a team leader, a planner, a pro squash-maker, or
just have an enthusiasm to get stuck in?**

In order to open our Squirrel Drey, we need to know if enough local
young people want to join and if there is enough adult support to
create a team and run the Drey together.

If your young person would like to join the fun and if you or
someone you know can help make it happen, then please reach out!

**To find out more or register your interest, please email-
ellie.selwood@hampshirescouts.org.uk**