

# ANTON INFANT NEWSLETTER



**Every Child Always**

**FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2025**

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## Headteacher message

Dear families

Tis the season of germs! This half term is always an extremely busy one in school, and it often comes with coughs, sneezes, and sickness bugs. Please can we remind you of our 48-hour sickness absence rule to help keep illness among children and staff to a minimum. If your child has been sick, they should not return to school until they have been free from sickness for 48 hours. Thank you for your support.

The lead up to Christmas is a very exciting time of the year for the children but the combination of excitement, anticipation, changes to routines, feeling under the weather and tiredness can result in grumpy children. We know from experience that a lot of families experience some challenging behaviour at home at this time of year! We are encouraging all of the children to be good at bedtime for you, to ensure they are getting lots of sleep! In addition to our golden tickets, we are also giving out lots of stickers to reward good choices and kind acts to encourage the children to focus on positive behaviour! If you finding behaviour at home becoming a real challenge please do not hesitate to contact us for some support.

Father Christmas has delivered each classroom a 'Santa Bell' to ring when they make the right choices. This lets Father Christmas know the children have been making good choices!! (He's making a list and he's checking it twice!) If he hears the bell ring enough times there might be class presents under the Christmas tree in the hall on the last day of term. BUT.....**SSSHHHH don't tell the children, he wants to surprise them!**

Our Christmas performance rehearsals are in full swing, and the corridors are filled with the joyful sounds of carols and jingle bells. We're truly looking forward to welcoming you and sharing this special highlight of our school year.

## **Our school needs you!**

We currently have vacancies for school governors—an important strategic role that helps ensure our school is well-run, ambitious, and focused on providing the best possible education for all pupils.

School governors do not take part in day-to-day teaching or administration. Instead, they work as part of the governing board to:

- Set the school's vision and strategic direction
- Approve key policies
- Monitor performance and progress
- Hold senior leaders to account
- Oversee budgets and resources
- Ensure statutory responsibilities are met

Governors act as “critical friends,” supporting the headteacher while providing constructive challenge. By bringing diverse skills and perspectives from the wider community, they help drive improvement and safeguard the interests of every learner. If this is something that interests you, please contact the admin team for more information.

Thank you so much for all of your generous donations for our toy sale! We're delighted to share that we raised just over £105.43. This money will go towards providing more risky play resources for the children.

Our special Christmas post box will be waiting in the school office next week, ready for all your festive cards. Please make sure each card has the recipient's name and class so it can find its way to the right person. Our wonderful School Council elves will be busy sorting and delivering the cards a couple of times a week. Get posting—and spread some Christmas cheer!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Skeates

## Upcoming Events

### December

- 10th - Year R Christmas Show AM
- 10th - Year 1 Christmas Show AM
- 11th - Christmas Jumper Day
- 11th - Year 2 Christmas Carol Service AM
- 12th - Year R Christmas Show AM
- 12th - Year 1 Christmas Show AM
- 16th - Pantomime
- 16th - Christmas Lunch
- 19th - Last day of term

### January

- 5th - INSET Day
- 6th - Return to School
- 28th - Year 1 Phonics Evening (more information to follow)

**Ready  
Respectful  
Safe**

## Inset Days

**5<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026  
1<sup>st</sup> June 2026**

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

### Dinner Times

**MONDAY**

**TUESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY**

**THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY**

TRADITIONAL AUTUMN


V = Vegetarian, VG = Vegan, GF = Gluten Free. \*NEW RECIPE for 2025\*

Week 1 1st Sept, 22nd Sept, 13th Oct 3rd Nov, 24th Nov, 15th Dec	Week 2 8th Sept, 29th Sept 20th Oct, 10th Nov, 1st Dec	Week 3 15th Sept, 6th Oct 27th Oct, 17th Nov, 8th Dec
<p>Margherita Pizza &amp; Garlic Slice (V) Chinese BBQ Noodles (VG) * Spinach &amp; Potato Curry with Steamed Rice (VG) (GF) * Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Green Beans, Sweetcorn Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Vanilla Ice Cream (V) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>	<p>Margherita or Vegetable Supreme Pizza (V) Authentic Vegetable Curry &amp; Steamed Rice (VG) Baked Sweet Potato Omelette (V) Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Baked Potato Wedges, Sweetcorn, Green Beans Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Ice Cream &amp; Fruit (V) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>	<p>Margherita or Sweetcorn Pizza with Pasta Salad (V) Italian Tomato Pasta (VG) * Loaded Mexican Style Wedges (V) * Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Green Beans, Sweetcorn Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Crispy Cake (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>
<p>Crispy Chicken Dippers &amp; Tomato Based Sauce * Quorn Dippers &amp; Tomato Based Sauce (VG) * Baked Bean Melt (V) Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Steamed Rice, Sweetcorn, Broccoli Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>* Marble Sponge &amp; Custard (V) * Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>	<p>Mild Fajita Chicken, with Nachos &amp; Steamed Rice Neapolitan Pasta (VG) Cheese &amp; Tomato Panini Melt (V) Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Cabbage, Carrots Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Fruit Crunch &amp; Custard (V) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>	<p>Macaroni Cheese (V) * Chicken Tikka Biryani &amp; Naan Bread * Pepperoni Melt Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Cauliflower, Peas Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Apple Cake &amp; Custard (V) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>
<p>Roast Chicken (GF) Plant Based Sausages (VG) * Cheesy Pasta (V) * Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Gravy Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Raspberry Jelly &amp; Peaches (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>	<p>Sausage Stuffed Yorkshire Pudding Cauliflower Cheese Loaded Yorkshire Pudding (V) * Traditional Beef Sauer * Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Gravy Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Lemon Drizzle Cake (V) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>	<p>Roast Chicken (GF) Baked Bean Cheesy Puff (V) * Traditional Souce (GF) * Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>New Potatoes, Carrots, Savoy Cabbage, Gravy Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Strawberry Mousse (V) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>
<p>* Home Made Beef &amp; Vegetable Pie * Tomato &amp; Herb Pasta Bake (V) Shepherd's Pie (VG) (GF) Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Mashed Potatoes, Savoy Cabbage, Carrots Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Winter Fruit Crumble &amp; Custard (V) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>	<p>Cheddar &amp; Chicken Pasta Bake Vegetable Burrito (VG) Pasta Bolognaise Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Broccoli, Sweetcorn Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>* Jam Sponge &amp; Custard (V) * Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>	<p>The Dolce All Day Breakfast The Dolce All Day Veggie Breakfast (V) Singapore Noodles (VG) * Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Hash Brown, Baked Beans, Peas Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Fresh Fruit Salad (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>
<p>Breaded Fish Fingers Vegetable Crispi (VG) * Indian Sausage Roll (VG) * Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Lemon Cookie (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>	<p>Breaded Fish Fingers Salmon &amp; Sweet Potato Fritcake Cheese &amp; Tomato Quiche (V) Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>Chocolate Cookie (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>	<p>Breaded Fish Fingers Fishless Fingers (VG) Cheese &amp; Onion Gratin (V) Jacket Potato &amp; Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)</p> <p>Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread</p> <p>* Hot Chocolate Fudge Pudding (V) * Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt</p>

**LOCALLY SOURCED FRESH PRODUCE**

**BREAD AVAILABLE DAILY**

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



**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

*All children are invited to Christmas Lunch.*

*Please ensure all orders are placed via  
SchoolGrid.*



**CHRISTMAS LUNCH**  
December 2025

**MAINS**

ROAST TURKEY, STUFFING & CHIPOLATA  
PUFF PASTRY CHRISTMAS CRACKER (VG)

**SIDES**

ROAST POTATOES, CARROTS, PEAS, SPROUTS, GRAVY

**DESSERTS**

STICKY TOFFEE PUDDING & CUSTARD (V)  
REINDEER SHORTBREAD (VG)  
FRESH FRUIT





# **TOY SALE**

## **THANK YOU**



**WITH YOUR KIND DONATIONS  
WE RAISED A FANTASTIC  
£105.43**

# **SAVE YOUR STAMPS FOR CHARITY**



**We are supporting a charity that collects used postage stamps. If you receive any mail with stamps, please save them and bring them into the school office. We will gather all the stamps and forward them to the charity, helping them raise funds for their important work.**

**We will happily accept all kinds of stamps - new or used, first and second, foreign, presentation packs and albums.**

**Thank You for your Support!**

# NOTICEBOARD



# NEW STREET VIXENS

U6 VIXENS (YEAR 1 GIRLS)  
FOOTBALL



TRAINING IS AT  
JOHN HANSON SCHOOL SPORTS HALL  
FRIDAY 5PM TO 5:45PM

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE MESSAGE  
GRANT ON 07462939422

ALL COACHES ARE DBS CHECKED  
AND FA QUALIFIED COACHES



## You Are Not Alone - Free Parent Online Drop-In

Parenting an autistic child can feel amazing, confusing, and overwhelming, sometimes all in the same day. That's why we host our **no-cost monthly online drop-in sessions for parents and carers.**

Normally we run the monthly drop-ins on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month but in **DECEMBER we run 5 drop-in sessions from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December.**

### First Tuesday of every month

7pm - 8.30pm  
Platform: Zoom



**Erik Wagter - host of the drop-in**

### What these sessions are all about:

We've created a safe, non-judgemental space where parents can bring their questions, share worries and connect with others who 'get it'.

### Topics often included:

- Understanding and responding to challenging behaviour
- Making sense of autism on a deeper level
- The ups and downs of family relationships and dynamics
- Working with schools and professionals
- Meeting like-minded parents and realising you are not alone



### What parents say:

*'Thank you so much for the group this evening. I can't tell you how grateful I feel, and I really do feel less alone and more validated. **My hope is back**'*

### Who runs the sessions?

I'm Erik Wagter, co-founder of Autism Family Support Service. Alongside being a social worker, trainer and Solution Focused family coach, I also bring over two decades of personal lived family experience of autism. Sometimes my wife Sally will join in as well.

**If you would like to join please send an email to [sallywagter@gmail.com](mailto:sallywagter@gmail.com) and we will send you the Zoom link.**

Autism Family Support Service  
[www.autismfamilysupportservice.com](http://www.autismfamilysupportservice.com)

**KOOSA Kids** FUN, ACTIVE HOLIDAY CLUBS  
FOR CHILDREN AGED 4-13

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22nd, 23rd, 29th + 30th December

**Christmas PARTY**  
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**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

Spotlight UK are raising money to help our Christmas Toy Appeal and to support local children  
Tickets are £3 each.  
JUST SCAN THE QR CODE TO PURCHASE TICKETS & NOMINATE CHARITY

**OVER 30 PRIZES INCLUDING**  
A four night caravan break to Somerset, A family trip to 4 Kingdoms christmas Experience, Tickets to a number of our activities including Ninja Warrior, Donutting and more.

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**ARMY FLYING MUSEUM**

**Santa's Flying Visit!**  
Saturday 6th December  
10.00 - 15.00

Meet and greet with the AFM elf  
Professional Photo with Santa in the Scout helicopter  
Christmas Craft Activity

Join our AFM elf to make magical reindeer food to take home for Christmas Eve

Drink and Christmas Treat from our Apache Cafe  
Follow our Festive Trail  
Collect your gift from the AFM elf

All for £20 per child  
Adults £10 ( Annual pass holder £5)  
Children under 2 years or over 10 years ( not participating) Free

If you wish for your under 2 year old to participate and receive a gift etc. please buy a child ticket

armyflying.com 01264 781086

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**Winter KIDS CLUB EXTRAVAGANZA**  
**BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!**

22ND/23RD/29TH/30TH DECEMBER (8.30am - 4.00pm)  
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www.globefit.co.uk E: info@globefit.co.uk

- Free HAF places
- Lunch and snacks Included
- Childcare vouchers accepted
- Tax-Free Childcare Payments accepted
- Discounts for siblings and block bookings

Suitable for ages 5-11

**AUGUSTA PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE**

# Christmas at Enham

enham trust

Celebrate our village Christmas lights switch on and join in the festive fun!

Landale Wilson Hall, Enham Alamein, Andover, SP11 6HQ

Saturday  
29 November  
3pm - 5.30pm

Christmas lights  
switch on  
5pm

**Free Entry**  
**Donations welcome**  
**Free parking**  
available behind the  
Enham Trust Charity Shop

In collaboration with the Enham Alamein Parish Council.

Santa's grotto with  
free gifts for children

Christmas games

Live music

Raffle

Pre-cut Christmas trees  
and wreaths for sale

Refreshments

Mince pies

All funds raised will  
go towards supporting  
disabled people to live,  
work and enjoy life.

For more information, scan the QR code or visit:  
[enhamtrust.org.uk/enham-christmas-fayre](http://enhamtrust.org.uk/enham-christmas-fayre)

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# Visit Enham to pick your own Christmas tree!

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Enham Trust, Enham Alamein, SP11 6JS

Tree-mendous fun awaits!  
Explore our enchanting  
Christmas tree field and find  
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With over 20,000 Nordmann  
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Opening times, sizes and prices  
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Open  
10am - 3.30pm

Saturdays  
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Plus 14 December  
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For more information,  
visit [enham.link/  
pyo-christmas-tree](http://enham.link/pyo-christmas-tree)  
or scan the QR code.

Sizes and prices:

3-4ft £25, 4-5ft £35,  
5-6ft £45, 6-7ft £50,  
7-8ft £65.

Trees over 8ft charged  
at +£5 per additional ft.

Handmade  
Christmas wreaths  
for sale.

Refreshments  
available.

All funds raised will go towards supporting  
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# The Big Christmas Give

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Can you help Spotlight bring joy this Christmas by purchasing a toy for our Christmas toy appeal or making a small donation...

Use the qr codes below for ways to donate.

Amazon Wishlist



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# CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

**Donation Point**

Donate new & unwrapped toys for children this Christmas

Deadline for donations 1st December

**HOWDEN**

7 Bridge Street, Andover  
SP10 1BE

For More Information:

07804880072 or [michaela@spotlightuk.org](mailto:michaela@spotlightuk.org)

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