



WEEKLY NEWS

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HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE AT ANSON

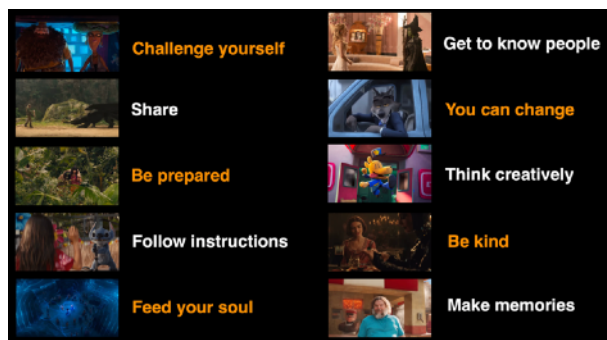


For many the New Year is an exciting time of new beginnings and fresh starts. Many of you may have set resolutions for the coming months.

On Tuesday we continued our annual tradition of reminding the children that the New Year falls one-third of the way through our academic year. Rather than setting resolutions we use the opportunity to look back on 2025

and reflect on the lessons learned and how we can continue to strive to be better, improve and grow as people.

To do this we looked at 10 family films from 2025 and the messages they gave us. It is a lovely way to draw out how to act as a person in school and society.



For example, Dora the Explorer taught us to be prepared, which should make morning routines easier at home. The Bad Guys 2 showed us it is possible to change and enhance our decision making. DogMan was an example of being creative.

Snow White taught us to be kind. Wicked: For Good supported us to get to know people rather than judge them.

Of course, the children are already showcasing the vast majority of these ten movie lessons and this is why the New Year (2026) doesn't mark the beginning but serves as a reminder to continue the excellent choices children make at our school.



PE CHANGE: UPDATE

In the Spring Term there are some changes to your child's Physical Education timetable. Please see below for the days each year group will take part in PE. *Please note this is updated from December.

Nursery

PE: Friday
plus continuous provision

* Reception

PE: Wednesday
plus continuous provision

Year One:

Indoor PE: Monday
Outdoor PE: Thursday

Year Two

*Indoor PE: 2R on Monday
Indoor PE: 2H on Friday
Outdoor: 2H Mon/ 2R Thurs

Year Three

Indoor PE: 3M on Tuesday
Indoor PE: 3A on Friday
Outdoor PE: Wednesday

Year Four

Indoor PE: 4V on Tuesday
Indoor PE: 4B on Friday
Outdoor PE: Wednesday

Year Five

Indoor PE: Thursday
Outdoor PE: Tuesday

Year Six

Indoor PE: 6H on Tuesday
*Indoor PE: 6P on Monday
Outdoor PE: Friday

SPRING TERM MENUS

The menus from Oasis Catering for the beginning of 2026 are now available on the school website.

Visit the Parents Page and click on School Lunches. In line with our Our Schools, Our World programme Oasis will be keeping our Meat Free Mondays during 2026. You can download the menu from the site.



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DRESSING UP FOR BIG ME DAY 2026



On Wednesday, 21st January it is our annual Big Me Day celebration where the children show their hopes and dreams for the future.

Every child in the school is encouraged to come to school dressed as their future career as we share stories from people who have lived out their dream. Please remember that no money needs to be spent on costumes for the day. If your child wants to be a chef send them in with a wooden spoon. If they want to be a writer send them in with a pen. If they want to be vet then a cuddly snake with do nicely.

The day will be full of surprises for the children. This year Big Me Day will be the launch our most ambitious project yet. Placing careers in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) at the core of Big Me Day, every child in the school will feed into an almost impossible machine building task unlike anything seen at a primary school before. This year Big Me Day just got bigger, bolder and more brilliant.



A reminder that pupils must be in school as much as possible. The Government is pushing for higher attendance and more parents are being supported across England by Educational Welfare Services due to low attendance. Is your child well enough or school? Check here: <https://tinyurl.com/APS NHScheck>

Spanish:

Puede traducir este boletín a 41 idiomas en la dirección a continuación

Arabic:

يمكنك ترجمة هذه النشرة الإخبارية إلى 41 لغة على العنوان أدناه

Polish:

Możesz przetłumaczyć ten biuletyn na 41 języków na poniższy adres

Urdu:

آپ اس نیوز لیٹر کو نیچے دیئے گئے پتے پر 41 زبانوں میں ترجمہ کرسکتے ہیں

French:

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Ukrainian:

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<https://tinyurl.com/APStranlatenews>

SPRING TERM CLUBS

The Spring Term Clubs begin next week.

Unfortunately Dance, Kickboxing and Portuguese Club will not run due to low numbers of children signing up.

If you are still looking for clubs it is not too late to book.

Head over to the address below to see what is on offer this term:

<https://www.ansonprimaryschool.com/parents/school-clubs>



'What I wish my parents or carers knew...': A guide for parents and carers on managing children's digital lives

Parenting today can feel overwhelming - especially when childhood looks so different from what we grew up with. There's no manual, and it can be hard to keep up with the fast-changing digital world your child moves through every day.

The Children's Commissioner has released a guide aiming to make those conversations easier and help you support your child with confidence.



Take a look:

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/resource/what-i-wish-my-parents-or-carers-knew-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers-on-managing-childrens-digital-lives/>