



# WEEKLY NEWS

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## WE ARE THINKING CREATIVELY THIS TERM



**You may have seen over the holiday the adventures of the crew of Artemis II as they travelled to the dark side of the Moon.**

This was the first time since 1972 that a mission to the Moon had taken place. Since that time the advances in technology mean that the

images from the far side of the Moon on this mission have been breathtaking.

Our story of the Year is the Snail and the Whale. This term we reached the section of the story where the snail needs to communicate to the class of children to 'Save the Whale'. We used this point of the story to encourage the children to find their voice. Sometimes this may be in the classroom during a discussion or in the words they write. The message was also about using their voice to build on the mistakes of others. With the Moon adventures in our mind we linked this to the story of Katherine Johnson, the woman behind the mathematics which helped the 1969 moon landing succeed. Despite the racism and mysogyny she faced her voice became one of the most important in the Apollo missions.

Our pupils may not be sending astronauts to the moon but we are encouraging them to reach for the stars this term.



## WE ARE SUCH STUFF AS DREAMS ARE MADE ON



**The children in Year 4&5 have begun work on their retelling of the Shakespeare Play: The Tempest.**

Prospero, the rightful Duke of Milan, lives on a remote island with his daughter, Miranda, after being deposed by his brother, Antonio, and Alonso, King of Naples.

Using magic and his spirit-servant, Ariel, Prospero conjures a storm, shipwrecking his enemies on the island. The castaways are separated and tormented, while Ferdinand, the prince of Naples, falls in love with Miranda. Prospero thwarts plots against his life

and the royals.

Ultimately, Prospero embraces forgiveness over revenge, reunites with his enemies, blesses the marriage of his daughter and Ferdinand, renounces his magic, and prepares to return to Milan as Duke.

Sounds simple enough! We can't wait to see how the children tell this story on the 24th April.



## DATES

**Monday 13th April**

Shakespeare Event: The Tempest (Year 4&5)

**Friday 24th April**

The Tempest  
2pm

**Monday 27th April**

Parents' Evening (part one)  
3:50pm to 5:00pm

**Thursday 30th April**

Parents' Evening (part two)  
3:50pm to 7:00pm

**Monday 4th May**

Bank Holiday (School Closed)

**Thursday 7th May**

Mapesbury Class Assembly  
at 9:10am

**Monday 11th May**

Year 6 SATs Week

**Tuesday 19th May**

Class Photo Day

**Friday 22nd May**

INSET DAY: School Closed

**Monday 25th May**

Half Term

Please help to keep ALL our children safe - never park on our Zig Zags

SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR



## RECEPTION GOES UNDERCOVER

This time last year we were getting ready to move six classrooms around in order to begin the creation of our brand-new Early Years space.

Almost 12 months on the space now has a wonderful outdoor area which will allow for Reception pupils to benefit from year-round continuous provision in all weathers. It completes another step forward in our aims to improve all areas of Anson.

## NOTICE: CLUBS BEGIN ON MONDAY 27TH APRIL

Please note that all clubs will begin in the week beginning Monday 27th April.

The clubs are being run by Moving Waves, DFY and a number of Anson staff for a ten-week block.

Over 100 parents have signed up for the clubs so far. If you have not managed to secure a place the bookings are still open for the clubs run by DFY and Moving Waves. All remaining Anson Clubs were selected by parents through our Google Form. There are spaces available in some clubs. Please visit this link for more details and call the school office if you wish to request a place at a club.

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



## ROCK GIG: 17TH JULY

Our next Rock Steady Gig is confirmed for Friday 17th July.

The gig will take place at 2pm so that everyone has the opportunity to shine!



## BOOK YOUR SLOT TODAY

The next Parents' Evening takes place on Monday 27th April and Thursday 30th April.

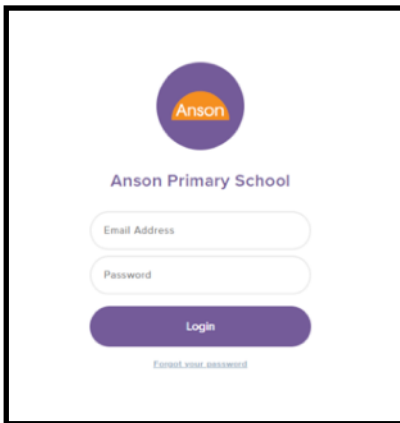
Bookings can be made through the school website Parent Page or by clicking this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/APSpeBOOKING>

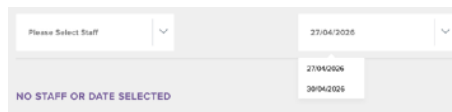
Please note that as the sessions are running on two separate days you will need to choose your preferred day. Follow these steps:



MAPESBURY ASSEMBLY IS NOW ON 7TH MAY DUE TO DIARY CLASHES



2



Select the class teacher you wish to make an appointment with.

3



Select your preferred date for the appointment.

### 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:

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### French:

Vous pouvez traduire cette newsletter en 41 langues à l'adresse ci-dessous

### German:

Sie können diesen Newsletter unter der unten angegebenen Adresse in 41 Sprachen übersetzen

### Ukrainian:

Ви можете перекласти цю розсилку 41 мовою за адресою нижче.

<https://tinyurl.com/APStranlatenews>