Anson

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WEEKLY NEWS

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GOING FOR GOLD: WE DID IT!

We are delighted to announce that Anson Primary School has been awarded the Gold Accreditation on the Travel for Life initiative.

Schools are awarded a gold, silver or bronze accreditation depending on how many activities they deliver and the impact on car use and active travel. Many schools are already delivering lots of activities to support active travel as part of the curriculum, their Climate Action Plan and their Enrichment Programme.

Mr Clargo has been instrumental in the changes and in capturing all the activities in order to get the recognition we deserve as part of the TfL Travel for Life programme? Accreditation isn't just a badge, it's a way to show that the whole Anson community (parents, staff and pupils) are thinking about the value we place on a healthy, safe and empowering school environment.

Thank you to everyone who has helped to make this happen. Look out for the large banner soon!

ANSON EVERY PUPIL IS EQUAL



This week we continued our work for Black History Month with a look at one strand of our Anti-Racism Charter.

In assembly we focused on the idea that "all pupils have fair opportunities to achieve, progress and succeed."

We linked this concept to the Bristol Bus Boycott of 1963. This saw people from all over the west country city come together to boycott the buses for 4-months in protest at Black and Asian people not being allowed to work on the buses.

The boycott led to the formation of the 1965 Race Relations Act which later became the 2010 Equality Act.

We spoke with the children about how all people should have the opportunity to succeed in life and not have barriers placed in their way.



DATES

16th October

Year One Bake Sale
3:30pm in the playground

19th October

Parents' Evening
15:40 - 17:00

22nd October

Parents' Evening & Refill Shop
15:40 - 19:00

23rd October

SCHOOL CLOSED
INSET DAY

26th - 30th October

SCHOOL CLOSED
HALF TERM HOLIDAY

2nd November

SCHOOL CLOSED
INSET DAY

13th November

Year 2 Bake Sale
at 3:30pm

Safeguarding is at the heart of everything we do at Anson, ensuring that every child feels safe, supported, valued and able to thrive both in school and beyond.



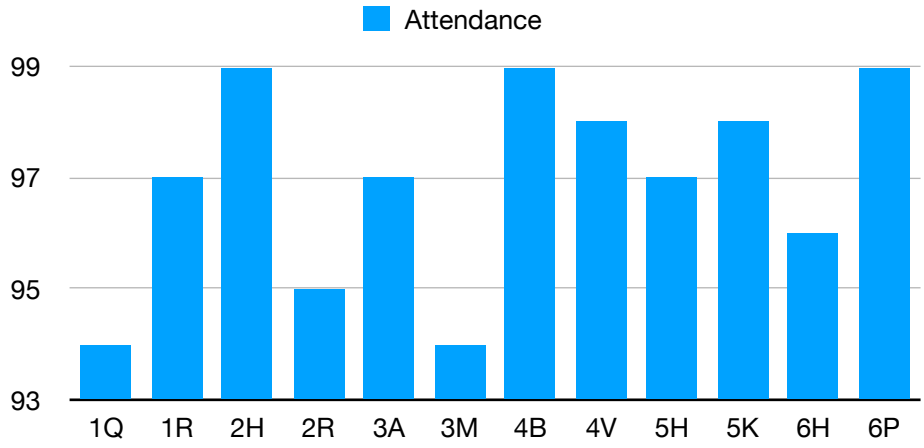
CHANGES TO PUNCTUALITY AT ANSON

It's our third and final warning that things are about to change with the start of day procedures after Half Term.
From November, we will be running our **Smart Start**. This is a drive with the Education Welfare Service to get more children in class on time. As a reminder, the gates will continue to open at **8:45am**. At 8:55am the school bell will ring and the gates will close. We will be sensitive to those immediately outside the school but any pupils not within reach of the school gate at this time will need to enter through the main entrance of the school. Next week sees the last few days before Half Term so, let's make it to school for 8:55am and show everyone what a punctual school we are.

ATTENDANCE - WEEK BEGINNING 5TH OCTOBER



Eight classes hit the target of 97% attendance last week.
Congratulations to Battersea who edged the Attendance award by just 0.4% beating Hampstead and Primrose who have the best average



PARENTS EVENING: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Parents' Evening will take place over two days. On Monday, 19th October there will be a session running from 3:40pm to 5:00pm. Then on Thursday, 22nd October the session will run from 3:40pm to 7:00pm.

Bookings closed yesterday so here's everything you need to know about Parents' Evening.

1. Please only turn up if you have booked an appointment. The teachers prepare for each meeting with parents and cannot simply see people on the day.
2. The event takes place in the school hall.
3. Parents should come to the main entrance by the hall and ensure they check in with Miss Callaghan.
4. We try to stick to the times of your appointment as closely as possible so please try to arrive on time.
5. When the 10 minute timer is up you will need to leave the hall. If you need more time to discuss issues raised this can be arranged at a later date.
6. The classrooms are open throughout the event. In the classrooms you can look at the children's work.

Parents' Evening is always a great way to get an update about your child. This early in the year it gives you the chance to really support your child with their targets and work with the teacher.

We hope you find the meetings valuable.



Anson Primary School 2026 Winter Fayre

Friday, 27th November 2026

3:30pm to 5:30pm

Anson Road, London, NW2 4AB



ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNORS

Nominations for the role of Parent Governor at Anson closed at **9.30am on Thursday, 15th October 2026**. There are two vacancies on the Governing Body and we received 2 nominations. This means that there is no need to hold an election for the vacant positions. Therefore, Harry Petrushkin is re-elected to the Governing Body and Hifsa Mughal is newly elected to the Governing Body of Anson Primary School. Congratulations to them both.

THE SCHOOL EVENTS FOR THE YEAR ARE ATTACHED TO THE NEWSLETTER EMAIL THIS WEEK

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Please find below the calendar of events for the 2026-27 academic year. Dates may be subject to change.

Month	Year	Activity
September		
Tuesday 1st	ALL	INSET DAY. School Closed
Wednesday 2nd	ALL	INSET DAY. School Closed
Thursday 3rd	ALL	Children return to school (Reception 9am and Play am/pm)
Thursday 10th	R	Reception Parent Meeting at 9am
Friday 11th	Y1	Year 1 Parent Meeting at 9am
Monday 14th	Y6	Year 3-6 Parent Meeting at 7pm (online)
October		
1st October	ALL	Black History Month
Friday 9th	ALL	Movie Movers Disco
Friday 16th	Y1	Year 1 Bake Sale
Monday 19th	ALL	Parents' Evening (3.30pm to 5.30pm)
Thursday 22nd	ALL	Parents' Evening (3.30pm to 7.00pm)
Friday 23rd	ALL	INSET DAY. School Closed
Monday 26th	ALL	Half Term
November		
Monday 2nd	ALL	INSET DAY. School Closed
Tuesday 3rd	ALL	Children return to school
Friday 13th	Y2	Year 2 Bake Sale
Tuesday 17th	ALL	Wizard Theatre - Doctor Dolittle (funded by Friends of Anson)
Friday 24th	ALL	Friends of Anson AGM
Thursday 26th	SH	Hyde Class Assembly at 9:10am
Friday 27th	ALL	Friends of Anson Winter Fayre

BOTTLE TOPS

Thank you for your continued donations to our Bottle Top project.

This week Callum in Year 6 was the largest donor with a backpack full of different coloured tops. We also need to thank the Royal Free Hospital who are collecting their bottle tops from the catering team to support our project.

We have begun to organise the bottle tops into bags of 100. There are 1,500 in the image below with the white tops yet to be sorted. Please keep them coming!



Ipsos ECORYS Department for Education

BREAKFAST

At the moment Anson is not part of the FREE Breakfast Club initiative from the Government.

This is largely due to the physical spaces available in the morning, funding and staffing of the scheme. However, we know that your voice matters and so we want you to get involved in an important piece of research to find out what our community needs.

We are taking part in a national study about morning routines, breakfast and before school childcare.

The survey, by Ipsos, could see you win £100 by telling them about your family's morning routines.

To take the 5-10-minute survey click here.

Please complete the survey by 23rd October 2026. Your answers will help inform the national rollout of free breakfast clubs.

If completing the survey online does not work for you, please email

UK-PA-BreakfastClubs@ipsosresearch.com

SCHOOL CLOSED: INSET TRAINING

FRIDAY 23rd OCTOBER
MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

Community Corner

Coming up next week in our local community:

Durga Puja and Dussehra (Hinduism)

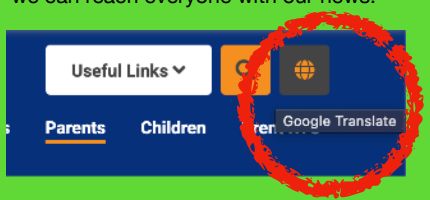
Durga Puja celebrates Goddess Durga's victory over the demon Mahishasura. Dussehra celebrates the victory of good over evil, often through the story of Lord Rama defeating Ravana. Both festivals remind Hindus to be brave, kind and fair, and to stand up for what is right.

Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji Day (Sikhism)

Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji is the holy scripture of Sikhism. It teaches Sikhs to be honest, remember God, help others and treat everyone equally. Sikhs gather at the Gurdwara to pray, listen to hymns and celebrate its teachings, which encourage kindness, respect and sharing with everyone.

We wish everyone at Anson a peaceful week.

We publish the newsletter as a text document on our website to make it easier for families to translate. Please share this with members of the community who may need translation so we can reach everyone with our news.



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

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