Newsletter - 19/11/2026

Headteacher's Message

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Dear Anthony Roper Community,

I hope you have had a great week! Since our last newsletter, in school, we have had the following successes:

- We held our most recent SMSC Day, with a focus on Anti-Bullying. Pupils engaged in a range of activities and learning centred around our values, the importance of treating others kindly and the role we all play in preventing bullying.
- Our children raised money for Children In Need, by wearing their pyjamas to school. Thank you to everyone for showing our value of kindness!
- The staff team worked with schools from across the partnership to moderate writing judgements – thank you to our teachers for their work on this and well done to our children for their immense efforts!

Community Voice

You may have seen on Dojo recently, we have been collecting pupil voice to gather information on the children's views on a variety of aspects of our school's work. You also have your chance to do the same! Click here: School Feedback – Fill in form

There are a range of statements to mark and some free-text boxes to communicate your thoughts about the school's strengths and areas to develop. Please use this to share ideas, comments and things you would like the school to consider as we continue our work together!

Looking ahead, we are hosting a Diwali workshop and an animal workshop next week and Governors are visiting for a monitoring visit for Inclusion!

Thank you for your continued support of our development.

Keep safe,

Mr Adam Nicholls

Safeguarding

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This week's resource is related to a popular game that launched this week: https://nationalcollege.com/guides/grand-theft-auto-vi

While it is very clearly a game for adults, it is often something (through gamers, streamers, etc) that comes into the children's grasp.

This free guide explores the potential risks, including inappropriate content, interactions with strangers on other platforms and in-game spending.

As a school we believe that safeguarding is not only about protecting children and young people from abuse and neglect but also their families too. It is our intention therefore to support families by signposting them to universal services which may assist families when they are facing difficulties themselves. For reference, our Safeguarding Team is: Mr Adam Nicholls, Miss Kelsie Gibson, Mrs Bouchera Khatib, Miss Jo Leadley and Mrs Jemma Sholl.

Attendance

Suni Class - 92.0%

Hamilton Class - 98.6%

Lovelace Class - 99.6%

Rosen Class - 91.1%

Simone Class - 91.0%

Westwood Class - 94.0%

Goodall Class - 96.8%

Blake Class - 95.5%

Parks Class - 91.4%

Attendance matters - ***The whole school attendance this year is 94.2%.*** *We aim for all children to achieve 96% attendance within the school year. For unexpected absences, due to illness for example, please contact the School Office so that we can record your child's absence correctly. All other absences must be requested using the Absence Request Form. A copy of our Attendance Policy can be found on the school website.*

Key Dates

Term Dates

Term 2: Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December

Term 3: Monday 4th January – Friday 12th February

Term 4: Monday 22nd February – Thursday 25th March

Term 5: Monday 12th April – Friday 28th May

Term 6: Monday 8th June – Tuesday 20th July

Inset Days

Monday 4th January 2027

Monday 7th June 2027

Wednesday 21st July 2027

Parent's Evenings

Thursday 12th November 2025, 4:00pm -7:00pm

Monday 22nd February 2026, 4:00pm - 7:00pm

Thursday 25th February 2026, 4:00pm - 7:00pm

PTA Events

Crazy Hair Day - Friday 27th November

Christmas Fun Day - Tuesday 15th December

Cinema Night - Friday 15th January

Spring Disco - Thursday 4th February

Mother's Day Shop - Tuesday 9th & Wednesday 10th March

Easter Egg Hunt - Thursday 25th March

Summer Disco - Thursday 6th May

Own Clothes Day - Friday 21st May

Colour Run - Friday 18th June

Father's Day Shop - 16th & 17th June

Notices

SWIMMING

We are pleased to have secured swimming lessons for all classes in KS2! They will run in the following terms:

Term 2 – Blake

Term3 – Goodall

Term 5 – Westwood

Term 6 – Simone

Each class will receive more specific information, such as dates and kit lists, as their turn approaches.

PAYMENT FOR CLUBS

Payment for clubs is now available on Arbor. Can you please ensure payment is made as soon as possible.

PARKING - IMPORTANT

- Parking within the school grounds is not permitted at drop off or collection time unless it is for exceptional circumstances
- When parking around the school you must park considerately, not blocking pedestrian access, driveways etc
- Animals are not allowed on the school site at any time
- Please refrain from turning in the entrance
- If your child travels to and from school by bike or scooter, please remind them to be mindful of other road users, particularly when entering and leaving the school grounds. These times can be especially busy, with a high volume of vehicles accessing the premises

PICK UP

Can we please remind blue badge holders that they are only allowed entry into the car park from 3:20pm. Pedestrians should also remain on the pathways at drop off and collection

ROAD CLOSURES

We have been advised that the A225 from the Farningham Road roundabout to Station Road will be closed for three months commencing 4th January. This is for the last stage of the SGN gas maintenance upgrade that needs to be completed.

In addition to this closure, Eglantine Lane from Eglantine Villa to the crossroads with Lombard Street will also be closed for the same duration.

PTA UPDATE

Crazy Hair Day – Friday 27 November

Get ready to unleash your creativity for our Crazy Hair Day on Friday 27 November! Whether it's colourful, messy, funky or completely wild, we can't wait to see all your amazing hairstyles.

To take part, please bring a donation of nut-free chocolate (a box, packet or bar). If you're unable to bring chocolate, a £1 donation would be greatly appreciated instead.

We look forward to seeing everyone's crazy creations!

Personalised Christmas Tree Ornaments - Order Now!

Add a special touch to your Christmas tree this year with one of our beautiful personalised acrylic ornaments. Available in three festive designs and customised with any name, they make wonderful keepsakes and thoughtful gifts for family and friends.

At just £4 each, every purchase helps support the Anthony Roper PTA, with profits going towards activities, events, and resources for our children.

To place an order, please contact Becca on 07584 902914.

Christmas Fun Day

This year's Christmas Fun Day will take place on the 15th December. Following the success of last year's event it will once again be held during the school day. More information to be shared soon.


CHRISTMAS FUN DAY
TUESDAY 15TH DECEMBER
9AM-3PM
MORE INFO COMING SOON!
KIDS ONLY
NO GROWN UPS ALLOWED!


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Personalised Christmas Tree Ornaments
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Profits from every sale will go towards supporting Anthony Roper Primary School PTA and funding activities, events and resources for our children.



Awards

Numbots Champions

Suni Class -

Hamilton Class -

Lovelace Class -

Rosen Class - Rhiaan, Barnaby, Brody

Simone Class - Chloe, Iris, Lara

Westwood Class - Theodore, Hudson, Fenton

Goodall Class - Lydia, Rory, Faith-Evelyn

Blake Class - Edison, William, Sophia

Parks Class - Rudy, Harry, Olivia

Times Tables Rock Stars Champions

Suni Class -

Hamilton Class -

Lovelace Class -

Rosen Class - Oliver, Brody, Dougie

Simone Class - Chloe, Poppy, Iris

Westwood Class - Alina, Karter, Jack

Goodall Class - William, Edie, Jake

Blake Class - Belle, Jude, Edison

Parks Class - Owen, Harry, Oscar

Achievement Awards

Suni Class -

Hamilton Class - Lisa

Lovelace Class - Jacob

Rosen Class - Ronnie

Simone Class - Elliott

Westwood Class - Lucie

Goodall Class - Finn

Blake Class - Ellison

Parks Class - Lola

Skills Academy - Frankie G

House Points

Knole - 169

Chartwell - 231

Penshurst - 278

Ightham - 216


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