



# Andreas School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Another term has flown by and a new year is around the corner. It's certainly been an unusual year in many ways, but I'm sure you are as grateful as I am to live on the Isle of Man during these difficult times. I'm especially grateful to be part of this unique community with a wonderful school at its heart. We have a staff team who consistently go 'above and beyond' to show their dedication and commitment to the children and I hope all the work we are doing to ensure the school's future is successful. Once again, can I remind you to register your child if they will be ready for school in September 2021 and to remind others who may be interested in Andreas School to get in touch.

## FAnS

Thank you once again for their festive events, the disco and raffle were a great success as always and have raised funds which will continue to improve provision for our children. The raffle wouldn't have been possible without the generous donations we received so a big thank you to everyone who contributed items. It raised over £2,000 which is sensational!

## School funds and The Manx Wildlife Trust

The retiring collection raised an astonishing £511.50 so thank you all so much for your generosity. Half of this will go to our charity and the rest will go towards renovating our Forest School area.

## Breakfast club

A huge thank you to the group of volunteer mums who are reopening our breakfast club. They have given up their time to do safeguarding, first aid and food hygiene training and have been DBS checked. Breakfast club will be available between 8.00 am and 9.10 am, 5 days a week, from Monday, 11th January at a bargain £2.00 per part or whole session. This is an invaluable addition to Andreas School so thank you ladies.

## Little Bears after school club

Little Bears nursery provide an after school club and pick up service for Andreas School. Just contact us or the nursery if you need this facility.

## Northern Parents and Tots

Started on 8th December and has been a huge success. It's wonderful to see so many children here and I hope they'll be Andreas School pupils in the future. The first session in the new year will be on Tuesday, 5th January at 9.30 am. Thank you to the volunteer mums who help set up and have sorted out all the toys and equipment, and thank you to everyone who donated toys etc.

## Happy Feet with the ICue academy

Is for children between the ages of 2 and 4 years old and is on Wednesday afternoons between 2 pm and 3 pm. The first session is on Wednesday, 6th January. For further information check out the link below:

<http://www.theicueacademy.com>

## School Dinner/Milk monies Spring Term 2020/21

The cost of milk will increase to 21p per third from 1st January 2021. Should your child require milk for the next half term, it would be helpful if you could pay on Parent Pay before we return to school in the new year. Thank you.

### Dinners @ £2.35 per day (cheques payable to IOM Government)

1st half term (29 days)	2nd half term (25 days)	Full Term
£68.15	£58.75	£126.90

### Milk @ 21p per day (cheques payable to Andreas School)

1st half term (29 days)	2nd half term (25 days)	Full Term
£6.09	£5.25	£11.34

### Outdoor shoes

Andreas has wonderful outdoor facilities with our playgrounds, fixed equipment, field and loose parts play which the children love. The playground and the field do get very mucky in the winter months so please make sure your child has some outdoor footwear they can keep in school, this will enable them to access everything on offer. Thank you.

### Dates for your diary and clubs

Dates will be sent out early in the new year. Also, please keep an eye out for the clubs which will start next term. We'd like to set up more sporting clubs so, if anyone has any expertise they are willing to share please contact school. Thank you.

### School starts

On Tuesday, 5th January 2021.

### Communication

We are always seeking ways to improve our school and raise its profile in the wider community. If you have any feedback or ideas that you think will help please don't hesitate to contact us. Your child's happiness is of paramount importance, so if you have any comments, concerns or questions please direct them to myself or your child's class teacher. Please remember that if you do have any issues, they will only be solved by talking to us. Thank you.

Thank you for all your support this term. Enjoy the holidays and have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely



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