



# Andreas School

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We have now entered the last half term of the year and for our Year 6 pupils the count down has started towards their move to RGS. Hopefully we will get some good weather and be able to enjoy these last few weeks with fun in the sun!

There are a number of important articles and dates in this newsletter, so please make sure that you read it carefully.

## Staffing and Classes for September 2026

Our staffing for September has now been confirmed and our classes will be as shown below. As our numbers have changed through the school we are making some changes to our 'traditional' pattern and will be structuring our classes a little differently in September.

Class 1 - Reception and Year 1, (20 pupils) will be taught by Mrs Radcliffe on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mrs Stewart on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Mrs Pedley will be working with this class every day as well.

Class 2 - Year 2 and Year 3 (23 pupils) will be taught by Miss Holland

Class 3 - Year 4 (17 pupils) will be taught by Miss Brindley

Class 4 - Year 5 and 6 (13 pupils) will be taught by Mrs Cottier

Mrs Booth and Miss Keenan will continue to support pupils, as they have done this year.

Over the next few weeks we will be arranging transition visits and handover meetings for those children who will be moving to a new teacher in September, or moving classrooms.

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs MacLaren at the end of this term, who will be taking up a new post at Marown School. We will all miss her very much, but I hope that you will all join with me in wishing her good luck with the next stage in her career.

Mrs Phillips will be coming back to work part time again at Andreas School after her years sabbatical and will be working across the school to provide release time for the other teachers.

In September, Mrs Hawkins will be returning to her role as Head of School and SENCO on a full time basis. I would like to say a big 'Thank You' to Miss McHugh for all her hard work in this role this year.

## Change of Date

We have been notified that the Year 6 induction days at RGS will be held on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd July. (More information about these days will be sent to Year 6 parents by RGS soon.)

We had selected Friday 3rd July as the date for our Manx Concert, but due to the absence of Year 6, have moved this event to Friday 17th July at 2.00pm. This concert will involve all of our children performing and we hope that you will be able to attend. More information will be sent out nearer the time. Like our Christmas concerts, it will be a non ticket event and, if the weather allows, we will hold it outside so that there is enough room for the whole family.



## Sports Day

Weather permitting this will take place next Tuesday, 16th June, starting at 1.30pm.



### Sun Cream

On hot sunny days, please either put sun cream on your child before they come to school, or send them in with some that they can apply themselves. Reminders will be given to reapply cream when needed. Please ensure that all suncreams are clearly named. Experience has shown us that the roll on 'stick' style suncreams are much better for children to put on than the lotions, most of which tends to get wasted.

**Allergies - Please continue to let us know if your child's snack or lunch contains nuts or dairy so that we can keep all of our pupils safe. Thank you for your help with this.**

### Lost property

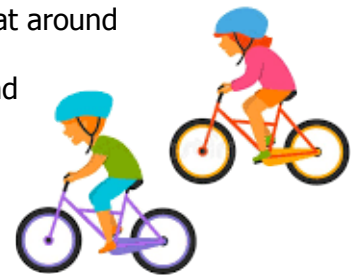
We have a mountain of lost property, all of which is either un-named, or has the name of a child that we don't recognise or can no longer read. We will put all of this out on display from Monday morning for the rest of the week. Any items still unclaimed by Friday 19th June will be disposed of. Please do come and have a look and reclaim anything that your child has lost.

### Bikes

With the better weather (??) we have noticed an increase in the number of children riding or scootering to school each day. This is lovely to see and we would encourage even more children to come school on their bikes. I would though like to remind everybody about our policy on the use of bikes on our playground.

The children are welcome to ride their bikes and scooters on our playground before and after school, but not during the day. We ask that once the playground starts to get busy at around 9.00am that bikes are put away and that they don't come back out again until the playground has quietened down again, which is normally a few minutes after the end of the day. This helps to avoid any accidents when the playground is full.

Recently, we have had a couple of near misses due to children riding around at speed when the playground is busy. Please help us to keep everyone safe by ensuring that your child stops riding once the playground is getting busier. Thank you for your support with this.



### Mini Parish Walk

We have included with this newsletter a poster from the Rotary Club of Douglas advertising their mini Parish Walk. All the information about this event is on the poster. Please note that this isn't an event that the school is organising or has any involvement with, we are simply helping to advertise the event for them.



#### Future Dates Summer Term

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July – School Closed Tynwald Day  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Manx Concert – A Celebration of our learning through the Manx Passport - 2.00pm start  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Y6 Leavers Assembly at 2.00pm  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Whole School Day Out  
**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Non uniform Day and Last Day of Term**

#### Autumn Term 2026

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - School Re-opens**  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Last day of Half Term  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Back to School  
**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December - Last day of term**  
**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January - Back to School**