

Head's Newsletter – March 2026

At the time of writing this, we have children from Anthony Curton who are taking part in the Quicksticks hockey tournament at Lynnsport today. I hope they're having a brilliant time and are learning lots of new hockey skills against an array of opponents. We will be having lots more sporting activities coming up in the next few months as the weather starts to improve, so if you are contacted by the school and would like your child to attend, please do let us know.



We have had a couple of occasions recently where we have been contacted by families to say that certain people aren't receiving all of the information that they would like to from school. Please can we ask that if your circumstances change and all parties would like to be included in the letters/texts/appointments etc, please do let us know. We are happy to arrange for both parents to have access to school information, but it does require us to do a bit of background work on our systems to set it up. Please don't think that both parents will automatically get information or notifications if you are separated – we just need to be told and then we can adjust your child's profile to have both parents as a priority 1 contact.



Children making pencil cases in the After School Club at Anthony Curton.

We are pleased to say that the new after school club is up and running at Tilney! We are currently offering childcare from 3.15pm – 4.30pm every day, but this will be extended once we get into the new wraparound care space in the new academic year. Once we are in the new building we will also be able to offer a breakfast club as well, so please look out for updates if you would be interested. If you would like to book your child into the after school club, please do this via the My Child At School App. This service is available to everyone and you can book right up to 3.15pm when the club starts.

We are pleased to let you know that the after school club disco at Anthony Curton last month was a great success! The tickets sold out very quickly and the children all had a great time – there were lots of hot and sweaty children leaving the hall by the end of the session! We are going to be holding the next disco on Friday 20th March, so if your child would like to come along, please get them booked in early to avoid disappointment.

Please don't forget that both schools are registered for the Tax Free Childcare scheme. This means that for every £8.00 you pay into the account, the government will top it up by £2. This is an offer open to ALL working parents, so please use this service. If you would like more information about it, please let the school offices know and we will be happy to point you in the right direction or in the meantime visit <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare> to read more about the scheme for yourself.

We are pleased to welcome a few of new faces to the teams in both schools. We would like to say a big "Welcome" to Miss Weston and Debbie who are known across both schools, and also to Zoe who

has taken on a new role at Anthony Curton. Unfortunately, Helen has had to end her cleaning role at Tilney due to health reasons, but Debbie, who was cleaning at Anthony Curton jumped at the chance of transferring over to Tilney. Debbie started her role at Tilney last week and has said it is a joy to be in the smaller school and she feels really at home there. Zoe has therefore taken over Debbie's cleaning role at Anthony Curton and is doing a spectacular job. We also have Miss Weston who has joined us as a dinner-lady at Anthony Curton and also as an after school club assistant at Tilney. Miss Weston is still finding her feet in both roles, but has fitted in at both schools brilliantly and is getting to know all of the children and staff.

Please can I finish by just asking parents to ensure that when you call to report an absence for your child you need to be specific about what the absence is for. We are no longer allowed to accept vague reasons such as "unwell", "poorly" or "under the weather". It is important that we have an exact reason/ailment which we can put in the register to ensure that all attendance is coded correctly. We have also been informed that we are required to intervene with any family/child where attendance is below 96%. At this point, the class teacher will be asking for a meeting with parents to discuss falling attendance and will be identifying which pieces of learning that the child has missed out on. It is more important than ever that children are kept up to date with the learning that is happening in the classroom due to the progressive and sequenced nature of our curriculum. If sessions are missed it will be incredibly hard for your child to understand the next part of their learning journey, which will likely result in them not being able to access future work.

Dates for your diary:

Anthony Curton:

Tues 3rd – Reception & Y1 trip to Sacrewell Farm
Tues 3rd – Y5 Learning Workshop 2:30pm in the school Hall
Thur 5th World Book Day Non-uniform & special menu
Fri 6th – Y4 Learning Workshop 2:30pm in the school Hall
Thur 12th – Y3 Learning Workshop 2:30pm in the school Hall
Wed 18th – Y2 Learning Workshop 2:30pm in the school Hall
Thur 19th – Tempest Class Photos
Fri 20th – Y1 Learning Workshop 2:30pm in the school Hall
Fri 20th – After School Club Disco Night! – Bookable event.
Wed 25th – Reception Class Learning Workshop 2:30pm in the school Hall
Wed 25th – ACFA Easter Event After School – Details soon!
Fri 27th – Easter Church Service - 1:30pm all welcome to join us.
Mon 13th April - Children return to school

Tilney All Saints:

Thur 5th World Book Day Non-uniform & special menu
Tue 10th – Otter Class Learning Workshop 2:30pm in the school Hall
Mon 16th – Penguin Class Learning Workshop 2:30pm in the school Hall
Tues 24th – Dolphin Class Learning Workshop 2:30pm in the school Hall
Thur 26th – FOSA Easter Event – Details Soon!
Fri 27th – Easter Church Service – 10am all welcome to join us.
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Parents' Evening Appointments 10th to 12th March 2026

Please ensure you have booked your appointment/s via the school app.