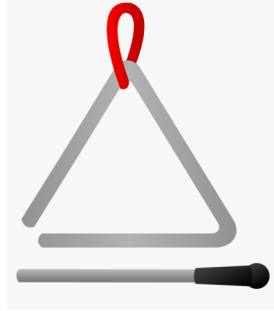




NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th October 2025

WEEKLY CLASS FOCUS



What a great start to the school year they've had in Triangle Class. With two new pupils to Icknield it has been a lovely half term to get to know each other and the routines of the new class alongside their exciting topic 'Mighty Metals'.

They have enjoyed exploring different metals to make noise – fast, slow, loud and quiet; they have explored magnets to find magnetic letters to make their names, make robots and discovering what metals are magnetic or not. They have also loved playing with the magnetic toys making rockets, robots and houses.

Art lessons have seen the students work towards creating their own robot and using a variety of skills to attach and join materials. They have practised rolling skills and using metal cutters to make a beautiful Autumn wreath.



Every week the class is going out into the community to walk to the local park. Confidence has increased week on week and all children have now mastered climbing the big slide and enjoyed whizzing down. The children have walked safely with adults and shown they can be safe using the equipment.

During their physical sessions the children have enjoyed exploring soft play as a class, balancing bean bags on different body parts and, most enthusiastically, they have enjoyed rolling, throwing and catching balls. The children have all had the transition to the hall every week for a very lively and fun session with the balls, even managing to roll them to knock skittles down.

The list of fun could go on...the class team is so proud of how they have all settled back into the new routine and with each other and are very keen to see how much they can achieve this school year. Watch this space....



SHOEBOX APPEAL

Thank you so much to those who requested a shoebox to fill with Christmas gifts for children in dire circumstances in eastern European countries. These were collected earlier this week and the Andover Rotary club wish us to pass on their thanks for your generosity.



SIGNS AND SYMBOLS OF THE WEEK



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AUTUMN TERM 2025



NOVEMBER

- 3rd **BACK TO SCHOOL (WHOLE SCHOOL)**
- 14th Children in Need (*change of date*)
- 25th Governor Training (4pm-6pm)
- 28th School photographer (individual & family photos)

DECEMBER

- 3rd FE Christmas market
- 9th Full Governors' Meeting
- 5th Hampshire Music Special Celebration, Winchester
- 11th Nativity—St Mary's Church, Andover
- 15th Hanukkah theme week
- 16th House Reward Trip—Pantomime at Basingstoke
- 18th Christmas Lunch (+ special guest)
- 22nd—5th Jan CHRISTMAS BREAK (WHOLE SCHOOL)**

BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK

Sofiia, Victorious 19 yrs old

BIRTHDAYS BEING CELEBRATED THIS HALF TERM BREAK...

Chloe W, Maracas 10 yrs old
Tiger P, Drum 5 yrs old



SUPERSTAR OF THE WEEK

The following students have been awarded the Class Star of the Week Award

Chimes	- Jack B
Drum	- Chloe So
Maracas	- Samyok
Tambourine	- Jake R
Triangle	- Oscar
Trumpet	- Amelia
Oboe	- Mikey
Banjo	- Shelby
Harp	- Nev
Cello	- Jaycob



The School Superstar of the Week is SAMYOK!!!

Samyok is a cheeky young man who has a brilliant sense of humour and certainly knows how to keep the staff on their toes. He can always be found splashing and playing with water and soap, clapping the bubbles into the air. He is building lovey relationships with the adults in Maracas and given them big cheesy grins. Samyok is very good at using his communication book to make requests and has made great progress with following his sensory programme in the morning. He is definitely the tidiest member of the class and enjoys putting items away that have been discarded by others! He mostly enjoys sensory play and music.

FAREWELL

Last Friday we said “goodbye” to Julia Barnes who worked as an LSA throughout the school, latterly in our Oboe Class, for the past 10½ years. Julia was a very caring member of staff who built great relationships with our students and was highly valued. She was known particularly for her creative skills and we are worried our display boards will never look the same again! Julia was presented with leaving gifts and cards during the Friday assembly by the children and staff. We wish her well for the future.





DON'T FORGET!!!

To celebrate this year's harvest, we are collecting for Andover Food Bank.

If you feel able to donate a few food items, in particular those listed below, we will be happy to receive them the week after the half term break and pass them on to the Food Bank.

Tinned: meat, fish, vegetables, potatoes, soup, rice pudding, custard or fruit.

Pasta sauce, cereal, powdered custard, biscuits, long life milk, instant potatoes

In the meantime, we hope you all have a lovely time next week.

