

Arunside Announcements Week Commencing 6th January 2025

	<p>Easy Lunch Bookings – We remind parents of the need to book school meals for January 2025 and the spring term. The Easy Lunch booking page opened on Friday 20th December and the deadline for booking meals required on Tuesday 7th January, (the day we return to school), is midnight on Sunday 29th December. As this is unlikely be on your mind over the festive period, PLEASE do book early!</p>
	<p>After School Clubs – Parents will have noticed that the schedule of after-school clubs being offered during spring 2025, has recently been circulated but you can also find it on the school website. Please book your child on to their chosen clubs offered by external provider by using the links provided on the schedule. Then refer to the email circulated on Wednesday 18th December for information about how to notify us of your child’s first and second choice for teacher-led clubs. These will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.</p>
<p>Starting School – September 2025 – Please ensure you apply for a school place using the West Sussex online system if your child is due to start school in September 2025. Applications must be submitted by the national closing date of Wednesday 15th January 2025.</p>	
	<p>Don’t Miss out on Future School Communications – We have been asked to advised parents to ensure they are always using the most up to date version of the MCAS App. The latest version is 6.32 and this was released about a week ago. You will easily be able to tell if you have the latest version as it will, look like the adjacent logo. (Apologies that this differs to the app shown on the midweek updates). To update your App, please delete the old one and install the new one. Once installed, be sure to request ‘push notification’! This way you will always be up to date with the latest school news and advice.</p>
	<p>Parenting Workshop for SEND Families – We are very excited about our guest speaker, who will be presenting at Arunside school on Wednesday 15th Jan at 2pm during our parenting workshop. Reaching Families is a SEND Charity and parent/carer-led, grassroots group which aims to support parents and families of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). They do this through the delivery of information, training and peer support. Please do not miss this opportunity - the sign-up sheets are available in the school office and we look forward to welcoming you at this event.</p>
	<p>Census Day Lunch – On Thursday 16th January we will be holding our Census Day Lunch. The more children that take a lunch on this day, the more funding that the school will receive, so please do book a meal for your child on this day. All bookings will need to be done by Wednesday 8th January. Your support is greatly appreciated!</p>

Key Dates for the Diary

- Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January – Christmas Holidays
- Monday 6th January 2025 – Inset Day
- Thursday 16th January – Census Day Lunch
- Monday 27th – Friday 31st January - Reception Class Screening