

Monday 06 October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

As we reach the last week of term one, I write with an update before the October holidays.

1. Term one highlights in the Anderson High School

It has been another very busy term in the Anderson High School; some of our highlights over the term include:

- Welcoming 137 new S1 pupils, and settling our existing pupils back into the school, in August 2025.
- Welcoming several new staff into the school at the start of the new session.
- The resumption of Skills for Work courses for S4 pupils.
- The S1 Disco on Thursday 04 September 2025.
- S4 German pupils involvement in 'Meet & Greet' service for German Cruise Ships on Tuesday 02 September 2025 and Tuesday 16 September 2025.
- Pupils from the Craft, Design and Technology Department visiting Ocean Kinetics, supported by Developing Young Workforce.
- S1 Safe Shetlander Event, Friday 26 September 2025.
- The S2 Heart Start Workshop organised by NHS Shetland, Wednesday 01 October and Thursday 02 October 2025.
- The Anderson High School, Wool Week Café, Saturday 04 October 2025.

2. Staffing update

We welcome two new teaching staff into the school today. Miss McLaren is our new teacher of Music and Miss Goodlad is our new teacher of Physics and Science.

Meanwhile, Miss Cluness will be our acting Principal Teacher of English in term two.

We have Learning Support Workers moving on at the end of this term, Miss Laurenson and Mrs Simpson. I would like to thank them all for all they have done in their time in the school.

3. School Meals

A reminder that pupils need to present their Young Scot Cards at tills in the school canteen to pay for school lunches.

4. Key dates

Date	Event
Wednesday 08 October 2025.	S1 Parents' Evening.
Friday 10 October 2025.	Last day of term one.
Monday 27 October 2025 and Tuesday 28 October 2025.	In-Service Days – the school is closed for pupils.
Wednesday 29 October 2025.	The school re-opens for pupils for the start of term two.
Tuesday 18 November 2025.	S5 Parents' Evening.
Thursday 27 November 2025.	S6 Parents' Evening.

I wish all families a restful October holidays and thank you for your ongoing support for the school.

Yours sincerely

Robin Calder

Head Teacher