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# Newsletter

Dear families,

I hope you all had a nice weekend. The children have been enjoying time on the field during break and lunch as the weather is improving. Fingers crossed it continues! With the sun out, it has been nice to see so many children involved in extra-curriculum activities this week, including the rugby festival and rock climbing, both at Harrow Way. A big thank to Mr Smith for arranging these activities. We also have Year 3 rackets skills and Year 4 swimming starting next week too. After school clubs will start the week beginning 6th May, so please go onto Arbor for more information and to book.

Thank you to all the parents that joined us for parents evening. We hoped you enjoyed looking through your child's books. We are all very proud of their hard work. If you did not get the chance to speak to the teacher then contact the main office and they can organise a time for a phone call.

### **Online safety top tips** - *Set clear ground rules*

Have honest conversations with your children about who they communicate with and how, and who can see what they post online. Explain that anything that goes online – pictures, videos, comments, things they share with others and what others post and share with them and about them – leaves behind a trail of information about them. To make sure they're leaving a positive "digital footprint", they should be mindful about what they do and say online. Make sure they understand that discriminatory or inappropriate contact is never acceptable. No one should spread rumours or share hurtful or embarrassing stories or photos. What may seem like a harmless joke to one person can be deeply hurtful to others. If your child experiences something online that makes them feel upset, uncomfortable or scared, encourage them to tell you or a trusted adult immediately. Children often 'know' the perpetrators of online harassment or abuse, so it is important to help them to be alert and know how to respond to any problematic behaviours they encounter online. Work with your child to establish rules on how, when and where to use devices

**Nursery:** Owlets: There has been more exploration of different vehicles - this week the Owlets have enjoyed looking at fire engines and talking about firefighters. They have been helping to build a den in the track which has been very exciting too.

Owls: 'Mr Gumpy's Motor Car' was the main book for the week which sparked the children talking about different animals and thinking about what their babies are called. The children have been using PVA glue to stick down different materials that they have torn and scrunched up to make exciting pieces of art!

**Reception:** This week Reception learning has been based on the story 'The Naughty Bus'. The children have listened to the story and then drawn a map of where the bus went. They have then labelled their map. The children then thought of different places that the Naughty Bus might go and then made up their own story about it, choosing how to start the story and end it. During snack time the children have been using new safety knives to cut up their own fruit and count how many pieces they have. This is helping improve their fine motor skills as well as their counting skills.

**Year 1:** Year One were visited by a sandy character on Monday who left sand all over Woodpeckers carpet! He bought with him a new book which the children have really enjoyed called 'Meerkat Mail' by Emily Gravett. In maths, they have worked hard with counting in 2s and 10s and have now began working on counting in 5s!

**Year 2:** The children enjoyed their new rich text this week, 'The Dragonsitter' by Josh Lacey. They wrote some excellent predictions when they shared the cover and the blurb before reading the book. In maths the children have been learning about money and have found

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different combinations of coins to make an amount. In DT the children will be making their own dragons. This week they designed their dragon and made a list of what they will need to build it.

**Year 3:** In Year 3, we have been making our writing sound more interesting by using fronted adverbials at the start of our sentences as well as using different verbs and adjectives to give more information. In maths, we have been looking at reading and drawing pictograms and bar charts. The children enjoyed an active lesson where we collected our own data for what our favourite things are. In music, we looked at the Renaissance period and discovered key events that happened during this time and the instruments that musicians used.

**Year 4:** Year 4 has started to multiply and divide using expanded methods, which has been challenging. Both classes continue to practice poetry skills like rhyming, repetition and similes as they build-up to writing a poem about rivers at the start of next week. In geography, the children had an opportunity to use a special device to measure the amount of cloud cover over the school in order to better understand the water cycle.

**Year 5:** Year 5 have been working really hard this week. We are learning about poetry and using figurative language to create really vivid descriptions. In maths, we are consolidating our understanding of using all of the operations. In reading workshop, we have started our new chapter book 'Wilderness Wars' and in science we are learning about plant life-cycles. We have come back from the holiday full of enthusiasm and are working really hard.

**Year 6:** In Year 6 this week, pupils have been converting between fractions, decimals and percentages in maths. In English, students have been honing skills to help them write narratives, like using expanded noun phrases and past progressive tense. In PE Year 6 have been working on their batting skills in preparation for a cricket game and in science, learners have been classifying a variety of animals based upon their appearance.

I hope you have a nice weekend and fingers crossed for more sun!

Mr Whitehouse and the staff at Knights Enham Schools.

## Key Dates

<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Grittleton Year 5 residential meeting ( <b>This is for current Year 4 children for next year</b> )
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Class Photos
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	Wacky Hair Day – see email for more information
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Bank Holiday
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May</b>	House Bingo
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May</b>	SATs week (Breakfast Club) Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May – Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar test Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May – Reading test Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May – Maths Paper 1 and 2 Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May – Maths Paper 3 Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 Well done Day!
<b>w/c 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Walk to School Week
<b>w/c 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 4 sleep over (details to be confirmed nearer the time)
<b>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Summer Knights Festival (2pm – 5pm)</b>

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## This week's house points for the Infants and the Juniors

Portchester	Wolvesey	Carisbrooke	Donnington
452	398	432	415

## Class Attendance



We are very keen on making sure that all pupils attend school every day! Great attendance means that the children have the very best chance of doing well at school and thus enhancing their life opportunities. We are always very grateful for the part you play as families in getting the children into school daily and on time!

*We work in line with Hampshire County Council policy and do not authorise holidays during term time unless it is due to an exceptional circumstance. Should you choose to take a holiday of 5 days or more you will be issued with a Penalty Notice. Further details can be found on our website.*

## Infants School Weekly Attendance

Puffins	Robins	Swans	Woodpeckers	Jays
96.7%	94.4%	99.1%	100%	89.6%



## Junior School Weekly Attendance

Cardiff	Dover	Leeds	Warwick	Windsor	Edinburgh	Highclere	Arundel	Balmoral
96.2%	90.3%	90.9%	94.9%	93.6%	89.4%	95%	92.8%	92.8%



## Supporting the Community

**Knights Enham Schools**  
AVAILABLE AT THE  
INFANTS

**WATERBOTTLES**  
£1.60

**PE BAGS**  
£3.10

**LIBRARY OPEN**  
OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY'S ARE OPEN AFTER SCHOOL

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**KNIGHTS ENHAM SCHOOL**

**SUMMER**

**FESTIVAL**

**Major Magic**

**SATURDAY JUNE 8th @ 2-5PM**

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