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Friday 13th December 24

Newsletter



Dear Families - I hope you are having a lovely week. Thank you to everyone that supported the Christmas Fayre. The children have been enjoying the festive spirit around school these past few weeks and they are especially looking forward to next week. Next week the children will be watching the Year R Nativity, we have OpenBox Theatre coming in to perform to all the children. We have their Christmas lunch and finally their annual Christmas disco by Dion Disco which is paid for by the school (the disco is a little well done to the children from the school.)

I wanted to say a big well done to the basketball team this week. They achieved 5 awards out of 7 and represented the school with flying colours.

Lots of exciting things happening for the children as follows

- ❖ Wednesday 18th December – Christmas Disco (free of charge, held during the school day)
- ❖ Thursday 19th December - Christmas lunch (either order on the day or through the Arbor App)
- ❖ Friday 20th December – Last day
- ❖ Monday 6th January 25 – Inset Day
- ❖ Tuesday 7th January 25 – Children return



SMOKING/VAPING: Can I please remind parents/carers that the whole school site including just outside the gates is a no smoking/vaping area. There is no safe level of exposure to second-hand smoke and this is particularly true for children - whose lungs and immune system aren't as well developed as adults - as well as pregnant women and those with pre-existing health conditions.

Online Safety: The Online Safety Act 2023 (the Act) is a new set of laws that protects children and adults online. It puts a range of new duties on social media companies and search services, making them more responsible for their users' safety on their platforms. The Act will give providers new duties to implement systems and processes to reduce risks their services are used for illegal activity, and to take down illegal content when it does appear. The strongest protections in the Act have been designed for children and will make the UK the safest place in the world to be a child online. Platforms will be required to prevent children from accessing harmful and age-inappropriate content and provide parents and children with clear and accessible ways to report problems online when they do arise.

Nursery: Owlets: This week some of our new friends that will be joining Owlets in January came to play. The children have enjoyed playing with pretend snow outside.

Owls: Some of the Owlets that are joining Owls in January came to play this week. The Owls have been helping Reception with the Nativity in the hall, singing lots of different Christmas songs!

Year R: This week we have had so much fun in Reception. We have loved learning more about the Nativity and using that in our production rehearsals. In literacy we have been writing lists to Santa, making sure to use our phonic knowledge to hear initial and ending sounds. In maths we have been looking at shapes with 4 sides, such as squares and oblongs. We have been able to name different shapes and categorise them as well. It has been a great and busy week over all. Well done to all the Puffins and Robins!

Year 1: Year 1 have had a great week this week finishing off their last writing journey for 2024! They have written brilliant descriptions of the Toy Story toys for Santa in his workshop. In Maths, they have looked at doubles and halves, and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. They had visitors this week to see their phonics sessions and the visitors were really impressed by how hard they were working and how good the atmosphere was! They had enjoyed singing some Christmas songs. They are looking forward to a busy week next week full of Christmas activities!

Year 2: After finalising our collection of fact sheets about Emperor penguins, we have a huge amount of evidence to prove to M/s Worms that elephants are not the most important animals of all! In fact year 2 children have decided that ALL animals are important in their own way. In maths we have been solving missing numbers and have begun our learning about recording and analysing data. We have completed tally charts and graphs recording our favourite Christmas foods. We have really enjoyed practising singing our Christmas songs ready for you to enjoy next week at our Christmas concert.

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Year 3: In English, we have been learning about similes and how we can compare them as like or as something else. In Maths, we have started learning about angles. We have looked at right angles, acute angles which are less than a right angle and obtuse angles which are greater than a right angle. This week, the children have been busy practicing their Christmas songs ready for the Carol Concert next week.

Year 4: This week in Year 4, In Maths, the students have been looking at the mass of objects. They have then solved addition and subtraction problems using the formal written method. During English, the classes have been looking at a variety of different sentence types that the students will include in our writing next week. In addition, during the Geography lesson this week, the students researched some details regarding human geography in Istanbul (Turkey). Finally, the classes have all enjoyed looking at coding in their computing lessons this week.

Year 5: Year 5 have been planning their biographies for Matthew Henson, one of the first men to make it to the North Pole. Once written, they will send their biographies to Catherine Johnson, author of Race to the Frozen North. In Science Year 5 have tested their amazing parachutes, all of which are made from different materials to discover which material would have the best air resistance.

Year 6: In Year 6, pupils have been putting the final touches on their Mayan masks in Art, making them look like ancient Mayan priests. In English, learners have been creating their own fact files about the Red Eye virus and in Maths, have been converting between fractions, decimals and percentages. Finally, Year 6 performed their ukelele compositions to parents and carers in a truly fantastic performance on Wednesday - well done Year 6!

This week's house points

Portchester	Wolvesey	Carisbrooke	Donnington
341	432 	213	421

Attendance

You can track your child's attendance on the Arbor App

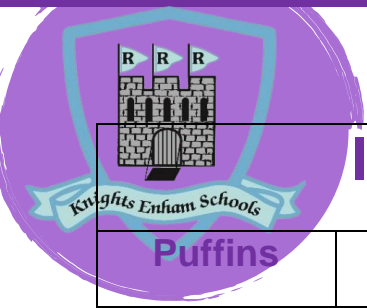


Minutes Late Each Day	Number of school days/weeks missed in a year
If you are late by the number of minutes below each and every day..... This is how much learning time you will have missed, by the end of the year
5 minutes	3 school days
10 minutes	6.5 days
15 minutes	10 days
20 minutes	13 days
30 minutes	19 days

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! If you have any questions regarding attendance, you can speak to Mrs Doran or Ms Hardy at the Infants or Miss Trace at the Juniors.

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.

Is my child well enough to come to school? Handy guide



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Infant School Weekly Attendance

Puffins	Robins	Swans	Woodpeckers	Jays	Kingfisher
90.58%	94.38%	96.88%	97.22%	93.75%	95.67%



Junior School Weekly Attendance

Dover	Leeds	Warwick	Windsor	Edinburgh	Highclere	Arundel	Balmoral
91.67%	89.17%	98.73%	89.81%	98.32%	90.11%	96.67%	97.41%



Key Dates

DECEMBER 2024

18 Dec	Xmas Disco
19 Dec	Xmas Lunch
20 Dec	Break up for Xmas holiday

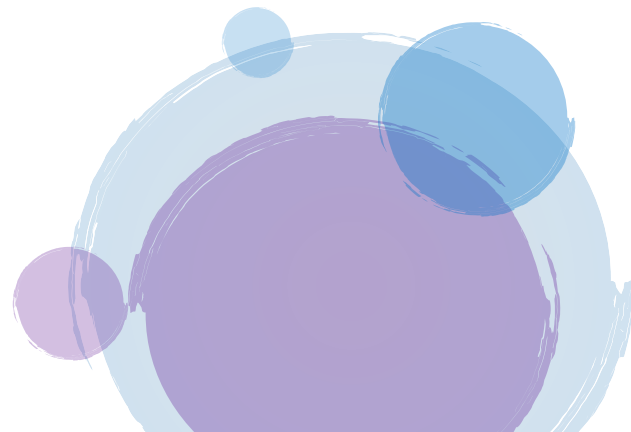
JANUARY 2025

6 Jan	INSET DAY
7 Jan	Children back to school

PTA

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<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/knights-enham-junior-pta>





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Supporting the Community



December Half Term Activity Camp
 23rd December, 2nd & 3rd January

The Mountbatten School, Romsey - 8.30am-4.30pm
 Knights Enham School, Andover - 9am-3pm
 The Norwood School, Eastleigh - 9am-3pm

Activities to include; Giant inflatable obstacle course (Mountbatten only), crafts, multi-sports and many more.

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Winton Community Academy, Andover



JMST Theatre, London Road, Andover, Hampshire SP10 2PS
 Sunday 15th December 9.15 - 13.15

Beginner to Grade 4

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