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Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025



# Newsletter


## Happy New Year!

I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year. The children have come back with lots of excitement; talking all about their Christmas presents and what they did over the holidays. The beginning of the week, we discussed New Year resolutions. We discussed what these are and what they could look like in school. Children shared their resolutions in assembly including: improving in their maths and trying to get top marks in their weekly arithmetic tests. Hopefully they have come home and shared their New Year resolutions to you.

The children have started their new topics for this term. The curriculum overviews will be sent out separately. These outline the learning the children will be covering.

**Who's who:** Now that we are federated, I thought it would be nice for everyone to get to know staff members across both schools, therefore, each week we will do a staff member focus so you can put names to faces and learn something small about them.

### This week's focus is Mr Whitehouse:

	<b>Fact 1</b>	<b>Plays Football</b>
	<b>Fact 2</b>	<b>Loves walks on the beach</b>
	<b>Fact 3</b>	<b>Favourite dinner is Spaghetti Bolognese</b>

**Wrap Around:** We are now focusing on theme days in our Wrap Around – After school club, please see poster opposite. Please note Wrap Around is charged at £6.00 per child per day and is open until 5.00pm. We accept The Government Childcare Vouchers plus many other working childcare vouchers.

**Nursery: Owlets:** It was very exciting to have some snow to explore outside when we returned from the Christmas holidays. The Owlets welcomed some new friends into their class too.

**Owls:** As well as the fun of the snow, the Owls have been learning the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Some new friends have joined the class and the existing Owls have showed their great nurturing skills by helping them settle in.

**Year R:** Welcome back Robins and Puffins! What a great first week back you've had. This week we have been starting a new book, Goldilocks and the 3 bears. During our immersive learning week, we have been exploring the role plays, reading the story, creating a narrative in the small world and having so much fun. In maths we are looking at the numberless of 4 and 5, with different representations. Finally, we have been remembering our routines and expectations and following the Knight's Way. Well done Reception.

**Year 1:** This week Year 1 discovered a crashed UFO in the school grounds. Who could have left it there? Why has it come to us? Where has the driver gone? Lots of exciting questions to answer over their new English journey. In Maths they've looked at using a system to partition 6 and 8. In Science they have looked at the materials that objects are made from and went on a walk around the school to find different materials.

**Year 2:** What a terrific week back! We have heard so much about lovely Christmas holidays and the children are ready to embrace the new term. In English they enjoyed our new rich text, 'The Dark' by Lemony Snickett. The children have previously learned how to use a thesaurus and this week have prepared word banks using these, ready for our writing. In maths they have learned how to draw and use their own number lines, it is quite a skill! The children have been adding ones and tens and really enjoying this efficient skill. In PE the children have begun to learn New Age Kurling and are looking forward to in-class competitions.



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**Year 3:** In Year 3, we have been getting excited for Stubbington by completing a mini learning journey in English. We have been looking at letter writing and learned about the features of a letter. In Maths, we have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes. We have been looking at the different properties of the shapes. In Geography, we started our new theme 'A force of Nature' which will explore natural disasters. This week, we looked at the different layers of the Earth and drew a cross section to show each layer.

**Year 4:** In English, the classes have started looking at their new text 'The Princess who hid in a tree'. They have selected the most important parts of the story before making inferences about the text. During Maths, the students have revisited looking at fractions. They started the week off by finding the corresponding decimals to a variety of fractions before finishing off the week adding and subtracting fractions and decimals.

During P.E, the year 4 classes started their tag rugby sessions, with the focus being on tackling (pulling tags).

In addition, the classes started their next History theme which is the 'Anglo-Saxons'. The students enjoyed sorting out information as to why the Anglo Saxons settled in England.

**Year 5:** Year 5 were excited this week to find out that Catherine Johnson, author of Race to the Frozen North, had read their biographies! She sent a reply explaining how inspired she was by these young writers. Moving forward in English, Year 5 aim to get their Greek Myths published in the English Book Of Excellence. This week, Year 5 have been exploring Myths of Ancient Greece and drawing different figures from Greek Pottery.

**Year 6:** In Year 6 this week, pupils have been comparing and ordering fractions, decimals and percentages. In English students have viewed their video of Alma and looked at how suspense is created in it. In Science pupils have experimented with how coloured films can alter the spectrum of light and in Geography, learners have been exploring the location of North and South America, using coordinates and 8 point compasses to help them.

## This week's house points

Portchester	Wolvesey	Carisbrooke	Donnington
263 	211	221	248

## Attendance

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

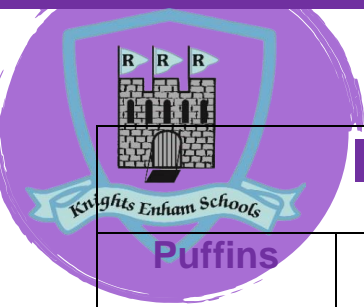


Understanding how lateness affects your learning time	
Minutes Late Each Day	Number of school days/weeks missed in a year
If you are late by the number of minutes below each and every day.....	... This is how much learning time you will have missed, by the end of the year
5 minutes	3 school days
10 minutes	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
92.03	97.78	☆100☆ 	92.5	☆100☆ 	93.65

## Junior School Weekly Attendance

Dover	Leeds	Warwick	Windsor	Edinburgh	Highclere	Arundel	Balmoral
95%	98%	97%	☆100☆ 	98.52%	95.61%	96%	99%

## Key Dates

### January 2025

<b>Mon 13<sup>th</sup> - Weds 15<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Year 3 residential stubbington
<b>Weds 15<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Year 4 Butser farm
<b>Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Infant- parent and child reading time 3.00-3.20
<b>Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	Junior- parent and child reading time 9.00-9.20
<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Clubs start
<b>Tues 28<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Book fair starts
<b>Weds 29<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Infant school work book share 3.15-4.00
<b>Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Junior school work book share 3.15-4.00

### February 2025

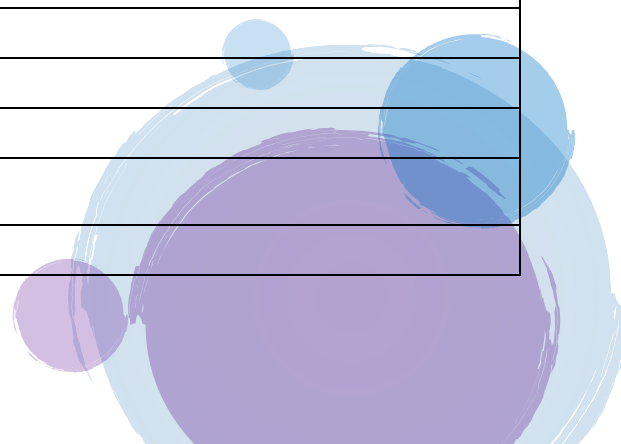
<b>Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Febuary</b>	Year R bikeability week
<b>Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Febuary</b>	Final day of book fair
<b>Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Break the rules day
<b>Mon 17<sup>th</sup>- Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Feb</b>	Half term

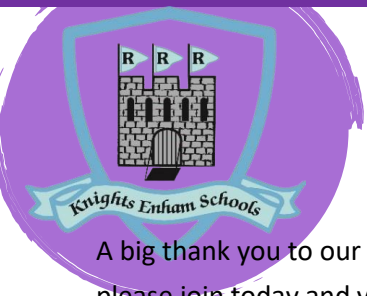
### March 2025

<b>Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	World book day
<b>Mon 17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Last week of clubs
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Red nose day

### April 2025

<b>Fri 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Last Day
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## PTA

A big thank you to our amazing supporters who raise free funds for us on #easyfundraising. If you're not signed up yet, please join today and you can raise free donations for Knights Enham Junior School PTA every time you shop online. All the big names like John Lewis & Partners, Expedia, Argos, Just Eat and many more are ready to make a free donation at no extra cost to you. Plus, when you sign up today, we could win a £100 donation:

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

## Supporting the Community

**Knights Enham - Wrap Around- After School**  
**2025** **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**MONDAY's** **LEGO BUILDING COMPETITIONS**

**TUESDAY's** **FOREST SCHOOL WITH DEN BUILDING**

**WEDNESDAY's** **MOVIE NIGHT WITH POPCORN**

**THURSDAY's** **GAMES NIGHT WITH SPORTS**

**FRIDAY's** **ARTS & CRAFTS WITH POTATO PRINTING**

AFTER SCHOOL WRAP AROUND IS CHARGED AT £6.00 PER CHILD PER DAY, CALL EITHER RECEPTION FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Knights Enham School's PTA are looking for new members to join our team.  
If you are interested in joining please see Jo in the Juniors Reception

