



KNIGHTS NEWS

22nd May 2026



Dear Families,

I hope you are all well and looking forward to the half-term break.

This half term has certainly felt very quick, but it has been packed full of learning, excitement, and wonderful opportunities for the children throughout the school.

This week marked Week 3 of our after-school clubs, and the children seem to be thoroughly enjoying the wide range of activities available to them. As always, I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all the staff who generously give their time to deliver these sessions. It really does make a significant difference for the children and has certainly contributed to our Sports Platinum Award, a prestigious recognition that very few schools in Hampshire have received. We are incredibly proud of this achievement.

We have also had a number of groups visiting Finkley this week as a way of recognising and celebrating the children's efforts throughout the year. Our aim is for every child across the school to visit Finkley at least once before the end of the academic year, providing them with opportunities for wellbeing, respite, and, most importantly, a chance for us to say thank you for all their hard work and commitment.

Year 4 completed their final swimming session this week. Speaking to the children, it is clear they have thoroughly enjoyed the experience, particularly those who have developed new skills and confidence in the water - an essential life skill. We hope they will continue to build on these skills with your support at home.

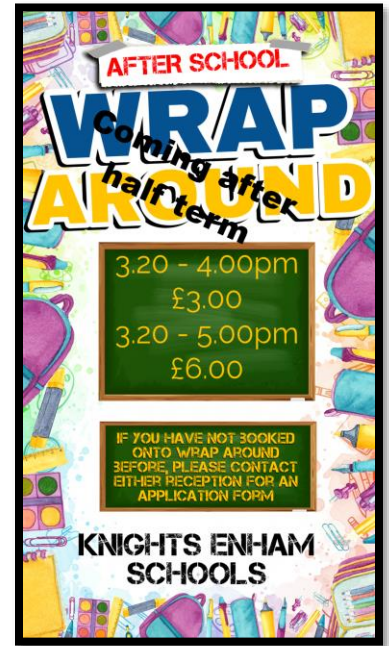
A reminder that we have an INSET Day on Monday 1st June after half term, so we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday.

We are also very much looking forward to our Summer Fayre, taking place during the first week back after half term (Friday 5th June at 3:30pm). We hope to see as many families there as possible for what promises to be a fantastic community event.

Change of Date - Sports Week

Please also note that the dates for Sports Week have changed. We kindly ask that you check the key dates section carefully and make a note of the updated arrangements. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your understanding. Sports afternoon, where you can watch the children, will take place on **Friday 3rd July**. More information will be sent out shortly.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half-term break.



This week's House points

Portchester	Wolvesey	Carisbrooke	Donnington
329	354	322	376





KNIGHTS NEWS

22nd May 2026



Items from home/ear defenders

GENTLE REMINDER: Bringing things from home to school is discouraged to prevent disruptions, lost or broken items, and safety issues like accidental allergic reactions or unauthorised sharing. Students are only to bring in their school book bag and a water bottle. Due to the lack of space in our cloakrooms in the Infant School please ensure you only bring in a book bag rather than a rucksack, we also ask that keyrings are minimal we have started seeing some big ones that are taking up a lot of space.

We enforce this policy for several key reasons:

- **Preventing Loss or Damage:** Valuable, sentimental, or personal toys can easily get misplaced or broken during breaks, which causes unnecessary distress.
- **Minimizing Distractions:** Personal gadgets, toys and Ear Defenders divert attention away from classroom learning and structured activities.
- **Safety and Allergies:** Items containing allergens (like nuts) or sharp edges present a severe health and safety risk to other pupils.
- **Fairness:** Bringing certain items can lead to disputes over sharing and unnecessary competition among children.

Online Safety

For some children, ChatGPT might have overtaken Google as their main method of searching for information. Additionally, they are able to name numerous other AI tools that they use, including OpenAI's Sora, Google's Gemini and Meta's Llama. However, they are not able to explain how these tools work. They are critical of the content they see online, knowing and understanding that some of it is likely to be AI-generated. Some mentioned that platforms often provided helpful labels which mark content as AI-generated, and others said that some AI image-generated images have a watermark of the AI company name on it. Children appreciate these transparency tools and find them informative. Many said they feel able to spot an AI image when they see one.

Attendance

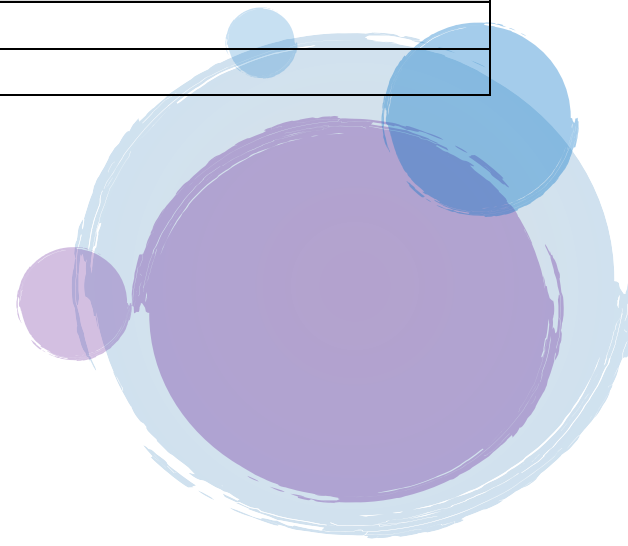
We work in line with Hampshire County Council policy and do not authorise holidays during term time unless it is due to an exceptional circumstance. Should you choose to take a holiday of 5 days or more you will be issued with a Penalty Notice. Further details can be found on our website.

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

<u>Weekly Attendance</u>						
Owls		Castles		Dragons 🏆		Knights
93.65%		93.59%		97.06%		88.89%
Dover	Leeds	Windsor	Edinburgh	Highclere	Arundel	Balmoral
95.96%	93.12%	97.22% 🏆	96.46%	88.89%	91.67%	92.75%

Key Dates

June 26	
Mon 1 st	INSET DAY
Mon 1 st	Afterschool clubs week 4
Tues 2 nd	Return to school & Knights Way Values Day
Fri 5 th	Year 5 Science Centre Trip
Fri 5 th	Curriculum Overviews uploaded onto Website
Fri 5 th	Summer Fayre 4pm-6pm
Mon 8 th	Afterschool clubs week 5
Mon 8 th	Potting Trip
Tues 9 th	The Bog Green Trip
Mon 15 th	Afterschool clubs week 6 (Last week)
Tues 16 th	Archaeology trip
W/C 29th	SPORTS WEEK (Friday Sports Afternoon with families – more information will be out soon)
Mon 29 th	Year 4 Harrow Way (Art & Photography)
July 2026	
Wed 1 st	Year 4 Harrow Way (Maths & Geography)
W/C 6 th	Reserve Sports Week
Tues 7 th	Bump up day
W/C 13 th	Year 6 FUN Week
Mon 13 th	End of year reports emailed out
Mon 13 th	Year 6 Graduation
Tues 14 th	Year 5 taster day at Harrow Way
Mon 20 th	Whole school water party and family picnic
Tues 21 st	2 nd Bump up morning
Wed 22 nd	School finishes at 1.30pm – Ice Cream van will be outside reception should you wish to purchase an end of year Mr Whippy
Sept 2026	
1 st & 2 nd	INSET DAY
3 rd	Children return to school





Knights Enham Schools

King Arthurs Way, Andover, SP10 4BS
 T (Juniors): 01264 394777 / (Infants): 01264 352151
 E adminoffice@knightsenham-jun.hants.sch.uk
 E adminoffice@knightsenham-inf.hants.sch.uk
 W: www.knightsenhamfederation.co.uk
 Executive Headteacher: Mr D Whitehouse BA(Hons)



2026/2027 Academic Calendar

SEPTEMBER 2026					OCTOBER 2026					NOVEMBER 2026						
M	7	14	21	28	M	5	12	19	26	M	2*	9	16	23	30	
T	1*	8	15	22	29	T	6	13	20	27	T	3	10	17	24	
W	2	9	16	23	30	W	7	14	21	28	W	4	11	18	25	
T	3	10	17	24	T	1	8	15	22	29	T	5	12	19	26	
F	4	11	18	25	F	2	9	16	23	30	F	6	13	20	27	
DECEMBER 2026					JANUARY 2027					FEBRUARY 2027						
M	7	14	21	28	M	4*	11	18	25	M	1	8	15	22*		
T	1	8	15	22	29	T	5	12	19	26	T	2	9	16	23	
W	2	9	16	23	30	W	6	13	20	27	W	3	10	17	24	
T	3	10	17	24	31	T	7	14	21	28	T	4	11	18	25	
F	4	11	18	25	F	1	8	15	22	29	F	5	12#	19	26	
MARCH 2027					APRIL 2027					MAY 2027						
M	1	8	15	22	29	M	5	12*	19	26	M	3	10	17	24	31
T	2	9	16	23	30	T	6	13	20	27	T	4	11	18	25	
W	3	10	17	24	31	W	7	14	21	28	W	5	12	19	26	
T	4	11	18	25#	T	1	8	15	22	29	T	6	13	20	27	
F	5	12	19	26	F	2	9	16	23	30	F	7	14	21	28#	
JUNE 2027					JULY 2027					AUGUST 2027						
M	7*	14	21	28	M	5	12	19	26	M	2	9	16	23	30	
T	1	8	15	22	29	T	6	13	20	27	T	3	10	17	24	31
W	2	9	16	23	30	W	7	14	21	28	W	4	11	18	25	
T	3	10	17	24	T	1	8	15	22	29	T	5	12	19	26	
F	4	11	18	25	F	2	9	16	23	30	F	6	13	20	27	

INSET DAY
 Half day finishing at 13.30

At Knights Enham Schools we provide...
 Inclusive and ambitious learning experiences where our school community feels safe and motivated to achieve their best.
 "Together We Achieve"



KNIGHTS ENHAM SCHOOLS
SUMMER
FAYRE
FRIDAY 5th JUNE
4.00pm - 6.00pm

Made with PosterMyWall.com

stitch a logo

**BACK TO SCHOOL
 ONLINE AND INSTORE CUT OFF
 DATE**

To guarantee your new school uniform arrives before back to school, please place your order online or instore no later than

Friday 31st July 2026

Orders placed after this date are not guaranteed to arrive in time, but we will try our best!

...ORDER BEFORE
THE CUT OFF DATE!

Opening Hours
Monday to Friday 10:30AM-5PM

www.stitch-a-logo.co.uk
 Sales@stitch-a-logo.co.uk / 01264 351515 (Press Option 1)



Discount Activities May Half Term

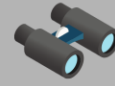
- 23rd May | Family Swim Basingstoke | 1pm
- 25th May | Family Swim Basingstoke | 11am
- 25th May | High Score Farnborough | 1pm
- 27th May | Family Swim Romsey | 1pm
- 28th May | Ice Skating Basingstoke | 3pm
- 28th May | Bowling Basingstoke | 6pm
- 29th May | 360 Play Farnborough | 6:30pm
- 29th May | High Score Andover | 1pm

All discounted prices are subsidised by Spotlight UK



For more details please email activities@spotlightuk.org

Psst. Look out for our
**May half term
fun activities!**



KEEP IT A SECRET!!



25th to 29th May
Join us at our **craft tables**
10.00 to 12.30 to put some
secret agent skills to the
test.



Discover the stories of real-
life secret agents as part of a
fun **code cracking trail** around
the Museum.

Trail available all week.



WE need you, yes YOU, and your super-cunning
spy skills for a mysterious **Family Mission!**
Come along and become an Undercover
agent. See website for timing.



26th & 31st - **Model Making**
10.00 - 15.00

All ages are invited to learn
how to make & paint plastic
models at one of the free model
making sessions with Models for
Heroes.

armyflying.com

01264 781086

