



# KEY STAGE ONE NEWSLETTER

SUMMER TERM 2026

We hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday and we're excited to begin our summer term learning.

## WHAT'S ON THIS HALF TERM

### Hand Puppets - DT

Children will design and make hand puppets based on characters from traditional tales. They will use joining techniques to make and decorate them.

### What is it like to live in Australia? - Geography

In this unit, children will learn about the continents and oceans of the world. They will find out about the human and physical features of Australia.

### Digital Art - Computing

Children will create digital art on ipads using different applications.



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## ENGLISH

### Zoo

Children will read Zoo by Anthony Browne before writing as the characters seeing the zoo animals for the first time.

### Toys in Space

Children will enjoy listening to Mini Grey's Toys in Space story before writing 'lost toy' posters.

### George's Marvellous Medicine

Children will hear this classic text before retelling some key parts of the story - George making the medicine and giving it to Grandma!

## MATHS



### Shape

Recognising 2D and 3D shapes  
Understanding and counting sides, vertices, faces and edges  
Making and describe patterns

### Geometry: Position and Direction

Describe turns  
Use language of position  
Describe movement  
Describe turns  
Continue shape patterns with turn

'That they may have life; life in all its fullness' John 10:10

## SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD AT HOME

**Reading** - we ask that children read 4x per week and that this is recorded in their reading challenge. Reading challenges are expected to be in school every day.

**Reading Rocketeers** - We really appreciate your support in helping your child to learn their Reading Rocketeer words. We will award colours for these again before the Easter holiday.

**Spellings** - Children will bring home the spellings that they are learning in school. We would appreciate your support in helping them to learn these, especially the common exception words as these really support their writing, but there will be no formal test on these.

**Numbots** - Regular practise helps with many areas of the Key Stage One maths curriculum.



### SORA

SORA is a free app from Hampshire's school library service. When you download the app, children will have access to hundreds of quality e-books or audiobooks - perfect for long car journeys or bedtime listening.



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### DIARY DATES

Please visit the school calendar regularly for updates.



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### Attendance

We monitor attendance carefully as there is a strong link between attendance and achievement. Days off add up to lost learning. We appreciate your support in allowing your child to access the education they deserve.



### GETTING IN TOUCH



Teachers are happy to help and are generally available at the end of the school day or by email. Please do not try to catch them in the mornings while they are settling the children. Urgent messages can be passed to the school office. Please allow up to 2 school days for email responses as teachers are child-facing during the day.

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