



KEY STAGE ONE NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM 2026

We hope you all had a wonderful summer holiday and welcome you back to the new school year.
We have lots to look forward to this half term.

WHAT'S ON THIS HALF TERM

Towers, Tunnels and Turrets (History)

This half term, children will learn about castles and The Battle of Hastings. We will be having a castles dress up day on **FRIDAY 25th SEPTEMBER. More information to come.**

Paul Klee (Art) In this unit, children will learn about Paul Klee and his work. They will then create their own artwork based on 'Castle and Sun'.



KS1 Curriculum Overview



ENGLISH

You Choose

Children will orally rehearse and write sentences about the things that they would choose .

Peace at Last

Children read this classic story before retelling it themselves.

Zog

Children study this rhyming story before writing about their own skill that Zog will need to learn.

Rapunzel

Children will read and retell the traditional story before rewriting it based on Bethan Woollvin twist on the tale.

MATHS



Place Value

Sorting and counting objects

Representing numbers

Recognising tens and ones

Count forwards and backwards

Compare numbers

Addition and Subtraction

Understanding parts and wholes

Writing number sentences

Know number bonds to 10 and 100

Subtract by taking away

Subtract by counting back

Subtract across 10

Subtract from a 10

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

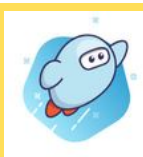
SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD AT HOME

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. We will soon be moving to the new Pageticker app and we hope this will assist you in making the recording of home reading much, much easier.

Reading Rocketeers - We really appreciate your support in helping your child to learn their Reading Rocketeer words.

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. Passwords will be coming home next week.



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.



DIARY DATES

Please visit the school calendar regularly for updates.



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. 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.