

UPPER JUNIOR NEWS - SUMMER 2



It's an exciting and busy time in the Upper Juniors! Year 6 - SATs are over, rehearsals are in full swing and transition visits are coming. Year 5 - it's time for PGL and preparations are underway for the WWII event.

What's on this half term?

History- World War II

Year 5 children have begun exploring a big enquiry question on how WW2 affected the people of Britain. This will start with how it all began following The Treaty of Versailles. Children will then evaluate the truth behind the evacuation and compare two case studies (Southampton and Coventry) on the Blitz. To conclude, learning will focus on women's roles in war and how they have evolved and shaped the future for women in Britain.

On Thursday 17th July, an end of unit workout will be delivered through a WW2 Exhibition which will take place to parents and guardians to showcase knowledge and to share a fun and energetic world war dance, showing the history of dance through the wars.

You can find more information on the Upper Junior curriculum [here](#).

English

Persuasion - We will be writing letters to figures of authority using formal language and persuasive techniques.

The Arrival - This graphic novel explores immigration through the eyes of someone forced to leave their home.

Yearbooks and Buddy Letters - Year 6 will be writing their yearbook as a celebration of their time at Hordle and Year 5 will be writing letters to their new buddies,



Maths



Children will:

- Revisit the key mathematical domain of fractions, working to deepen their understanding of equivalence, simplifying, the four operations and finding fractions of amounts. Children will work with mixed numbers and improper fractions in readiness for Year 6.
- Calculate percentages of amounts
- Develop their understanding of equivalence across fractions, decimals and percentages
- Secure their understanding of short division with remainders and develop their understanding of long division.

Supporting your child at home

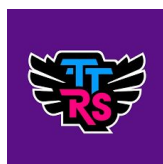
Reading - we ask that children read 4x per week and that this is recorded in their reading challenge. Reading challenges are expected to be in school every day.

Homework - Maths or SPAG homework is set and checked each Wednesday. Please check Century for due assignments.

Spellings - We really appreciate your support in helping your child to learn their weekly spellings. They will be tested each Friday.

TTRS - Regular times table practise helps with many areas of the Upper Junior maths curriculum. We encourage children to complete 10 garage sessions per week.

If a child is unable to complete homework tasks at home, they will be invited to a lunch time catch up club.



Home learning links

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.

Key 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 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.

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Please allow up to 2 school days for email responses as teachers are child-facing during the day.