Rownhams St John's CE Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Friday 20th November 2026



Jumping Hoops & Mysterious Creatures!

This week on the blog: Hoops, Numbers, Vertebrates & 'Varmints'!

There's been plenty going on across the school this week! Our Year R children have been hopping, jumping and balancing their way through hoop activities in PE, while Year 2 have been busy becoming number detectives, exploring different ways to make ten. Team 3/4 have been on a scientific adventure, discovering the fascinating differences between animals with and without backbones. Meanwhile, our Year 5/6 children have been letting their imaginations run wild, inspired by *Varmints*, creating vivid descriptions of mysterious creatures and settings, complete with some brilliant cliffhanger endings! From physical challenges and mathematical discoveries to scientific investigations and creative writing, it's been a week full of enthusiasm, curiosity and fantastic learning across all year groups. Well done, everyone! For pictures and more click here to view our blog webpage.

Our Bible Verse this week:

'I can do all things through him who strengthens me.' Philippians 4:13

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IMPORTANT DATES 2026-2027

(click here for Hampshire Term dates)

Event	Date/Time	Who for
Autumn Term	**Tuesday 1st September - Friday 18th December 2026**	**Whole School**
YR Open Morning **For pupils starting September 2027**	Tuesday 24th November 10am Wednesday 25th November 10 am Thursday 3rd December 10 am	New Starters
No Taekwondo	Friday 27th November	Select Students
Year 6 SATs Information Evening	Tuesday 1st December 5 pm	Year 6
Last Karate Lesson	Monday 7th December	Select Students
Christingle Church Service	Tuesday 8th December 2026	Whole School
Keyboard Concert	Tuesday 8th December 2026 2.30-3 pm	Hazel & Aspen
D&T Project **Parent helpers sign up here**	Hazel Class: Monday 7th December 9:00am - 12:15pm Aspen Class: Wednesday 9th December 9:00am - 12:15pm Rowan Class: Thursday 10th December 9:00am - 12:15pm	Year 3/4
Rownhams Harmony performing at Rownhams Manor **Please sign up on Arbor**	Wednesday 9th December 1.30-3 pm	Select Students
Nativity **More details to follow**	Wednesday 9th December 2026 2-3 pm	Year 2
Nativity **More details to follow**	Thursday 10th December 2026 9.15-10.15	Year 2
Nativity Songs	Thursday 10th December 2026 3.15 pm	Year 1/2
Romans Workshop at Sea City Museum **More details to follow**	Monday 14th December 2026	Year 3/4
Carols Around the Tree	Tuesday 15th December 2026 3.15 pm	Whole School
Carols by Candlelight **@Rownhams Church**	Tuesday 15th December 2026 6pm	Whole School
No Guitar Lessons	Wednesday 16th December 2026	Guitar Pupils
Winter Warmer (Days have swapped)	Wednesday 16th December 9.15-10.00 Oak	Year R

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	Thursday 17th December 9.15-10.00 Ash	
School Christmas Lunch & Jumpers! **Please order via Swift Kitchen**	Wednesday 16th December 2026	Whole School
Class Christmas Parties **(children can come in to school in their sensible party outfits)**	Wednesday 16th December 2026	Whole School
RSA (PTA) School Disco	**Wednesday 16th December 2026 Year R 2.15-3.00 pm KS1 3.15-4.15 pm KS2 4.30-5.30 pm**	**Whole School**
No Taekwondo	Friday 18th December	Select Students
Last Day of Term - 1.15pm finish	**Friday 18th December 2026**	**Whole School**
Christmas Holidays	**Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January 2027**	**Whole School**
Spring Term	**Monday 4th January - Thursday 25th March 2027**	**Whole School**
First Day of Spring Term	Monday 4th January 2027	Whole School
First Karate Lesson	Monday 11th January	Select Students
Year 6 Height & Weight	Wednesday 20th January 2027	Year 6
Titanic Sea City Museum Workshop **More details here**	Tuesday 26th January 2027	Year 1/2
Year R Height & Weight	Wednesday 27th January 2027	Year R
'Love' Day	Friday 12th February 2027	Whole School
Year R Height & Weight	Wednesday 24th February 2027	Year R
Spring Half-Term	**Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February 2027**	**Whole School**
INSET DAY	**Monday 22nd February 2027**	**Whole School**
Prime VR Day	Wednesday 10th March 2027	Y3-Y6
RSA (PTA) School Disco	**Thursday 11th March 20267 Year R 2.15-3.00 pm KS1 3.15-4.15 pm**	**Whole School**

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Event	Date/Time	Who for
	KS2 4.30-5.30 pm	
Musical Theatre Performances	Saturday 13th March 2027	Whole School
Parent Consultations **More details to follow**	Monday 15th March 2027 Thursday 18th March 2027	Whole School
Rock Your Socks - Down Syndrome Awareness **More details to follow**	Friday 19th March 2027	Whole School
Easter Holiday	**Friday 26th March - Friday 9th April 2027**	**Whole School**
Summer Term	**Monday 12th April - Wednesday 21st July 2027**	**Whole School**
Year 6 SATs Week	Monday 10th - Thursday 13th May 2027	Year 6
Year R Height & Weight	Wednesday 21st April 2027	Year R
Bikeability **More details to follow**	Monday 17th - Wednesday 19th May 2027	Year 6
Sir Harold Hillier Gardens Trip **More details here**	Tuesday 25th May 2027	Year 1/2
'Joy' Day	Thursday 27th May 2027	Whole School
INSET DAY	**Friday 28th May 2027**	**Whole School**
Summer Half-Term	**Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2027**	**Whole School**
'Growing & Changing' Week	Monday 7th June - Friday 11th June 2027	Whole School
Class & Leavers Photos	Tuesday 8th June 2027	Whole School
Swimming Lessons	Monday 14th - Friday 18th June 2027	Year 4
Year R Height & Weight	Wednesday 16th June 2027	Year R
Minstead Residential Trip **More details here**	Monday 21st - Friday 25th June 2027	Year 4
Transition Day	Wednesday 7th July 2027	Whole School
RSA (PTA) School Disco	**Wednesday 8th July 2027** **Year R 2.15-3.00 pm**	**Whole School**

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	KS1 3.15-4.15 pm **KS2 4.30-5.30 pm**	
PGL Residential Trip	Monday 12th - Wednesday 14th July	Year 6
Year 6 Leavers Service	Tuesday 20th July	Year 6
Last Day of Term - 1.15pm finish	**Wednesday 21st July 2027**	**Whole School**
Summer Holiday	**Thursday 22nd July - Tuesday 31st August 2027**	**Whole School**

Sports Events for the Autumn & Spring Term

Date & Time	Event	Year
Friday 27 Nov **1:30-4pm** **@ Romsey Sec. School**	Hockey Festival	Year 5/6
Friday 4 Dec, **1:30-4pm** **@ Romsey Sec. School**	Basketball Competition	Year 5/6

Date & Time	Event	Year
Friday 15 January **1-4pm @MB**	Sports Hall Athletics Competition	Year 3/4 & 5/6
Monday 18, 25 Jan & 1 Feb, **4-5pm @MB**	Football League Nights 1, 2 & 3	Year 3/4
Friday 12 February **1-4pm @MB**	Football Competition	Year 5/6
Friday 5 March, **1:30-4pm** **@ Romsey Sec. School**	Cricket Festival	Year 1/2
Monday 1, 8, 15 & 22 March, **4-5pm @MB**	Netball League Nights 1, 2, 3 & 4	Year 5/6
Friday 19 March **1:30-4pm**	Bee Netball Festival	Year 3/4

Reading Challenge

The winners for this week are:

Team 5/6	Maple
Team 3/4	Rowan
Team 1/2	Cedar



Rownhams School Association (PTA)





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Royal British Legion

A HUGE THANK YOU FROM THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Royal British Legion would like to say a massive THANK YOU to everyone at our school for your incredible generosity and support!

Together, our wonderful school community has raised an amazing **£467.80!** Even more than last year!

Every penny will help support serving personnel, veterans and their families. What a fantastic achievement and something we can all be incredibly proud of!

Thank you to everyone who donated, took part and helped make this possible. Your kindness really does make a difference.

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.

Christmas Holiday Activity – Eligible Families

The Library Service has received HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) funding to offer activities and food to eligible children during the Christmas holidays.

Families who meet the HAF eligibility criteria can book tickets for **Silly Scott's Winter Wonderland Christmas Show** at Romsey Library.

📅 **Tuesday 29th December 2026**
🕐 **11:30am**

Tickets can be reserved through the Hampshire County Council online shop:

Book tickets here

Please note: This opportunity is only available to families who meet the HAF eligibility criteria and is not open to all pupils.

Nursing Team

Following on from the Flu Immunisation session in school last week please can you complete this Student, Parent and School feedback form by following the QR code or this link.

Local events and information:



Next Week at Re:Minds

23rd - 27th November

Book ahead

10.30am · Tuesday 24th November

Eating Disorders Advice Clinic

A private 15-minute virtual appointment with the Eating Disorders Team at Southampton Specialist CAMHS. If you have concerns about your child's eating or relationship with food. This might include restrictive eating, strong food preferences or avoidance, anxiety around food, or worries about weight and body image. The team can offer advice, early support, and guidance on what to do next.

Book your slot: info@reminds.org.uk

Drop in

10am-12pm · Friday 27th November

Shirley Support Group

These meetings are an opportunity to chat with other families in similar situations over a cuppa! It is a good place to ask for advice about anything that is worrying you, with the group or on a 1:1 basis. There is never any pressure to talk, it's fine to just sit and listen. All support groups are open to parents/carers living in any area. Held at St James Road Methodist Church, Southampton, SO15 5HE

No booking needed - just drop in

Please check our Facebook events page for any changes, or visit our website to find out more information about our advice clinics and support groups.

reminds.org.uk /groups/reminds info@reminds.org.uk

With thanks to



'MOTHERING' MEET UP...

where parents have a space to feel 'mothered' too.

This group is called 'Mothering', but it is not just for mothers. This space is for any adults who are feeling alone, feeling confused, angry, worried, anxious or curious about their parenting style, kid's feelings or their own feelings. In this space you're joined by a Child, Adolescent and Family psychotherapist, Mary Willis, who is there to facilitate conversation and connection and answer any questions you may have. You'll find like-minded adults, a space to think and feel and a room full of mothering, nurturing connection.

MEETING MONDAYS OR THURSDAYS, WEEKLY

Contact mwillistherapy@outlook.com for more information.

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THORPE PARK
CHESSINGTON
ALTON TOWERS
LEGOLAND
MARWELL ZOO
PAULTONS PARK
AND MORE..

Spotlight UK helps families with the cost of fun activities including bowling, swimming, laser tag, ninja warrior as well as theatre tickets and days out to Thorpe Park, Chessington, Alton Towers, Legoland, Marwell Zoo and Paultons Park and more..

For £7.50 per person per year you could benefit for up to 50% the cost of activities and our charity then funds the difference.

Spotlight UK provides a year timetable of fun activities at discounted prices.

Spotlight UK helping to create positive new memories.

To find out more or to sign up please email
activities@spotlightuk.org

Spotlight UK Charity Number 1129258

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The Big Christmas Give

By purchasing a toy for our Christmas toy appeal or making a small donation, you can help Spotlight spread some joy this Christmas

Buy a gift through our Amazon Wishlist Scan here

Or you can donate here



Artful Christmas Weekend

Contemporary Art & Crafts

21 & 22 November 2026

10am-4pm Free Entry

Meet the Makers and find unique handcrafted gifts

Free family art activities

Visit the website for further details



Artful Collective

at the Sir Harold Hillier Gardens

Jermyns Lane, Ampfield, Romsey SO51 0QA

www.artfulcollective.co.uk

Visit the event for a chance to WIN £50

Win a £50 voucher to spend with our artists and makers!

Enter at the event by 4pm on 22 November 2026. No purchase necessary. Terms and conditions apply.

Creative Christmas Cards & wishes

3-7pm

a break 4.40-5pm for the Light Up in the Town Centre

Saturday 21st November

at Abbey United Reformed Church, Romsey

a free art event



ABBEY UNITED REFORMED CHURCH, ROMSEY

Everyone is welcome to join us at our services and activities
Sunday Family Worship 10.30am

Artist and Educator Elizabeth Hammond

ROMSEY TOWN COUNCIL

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OUR VENUES

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR INFO OF EACH VENUE

5 DAYS

- CUPERNHAM JUNIOR SCHOOL: 8:30AM - 5:30PM
- ANDOVER LEISURE CENTRE: 8:30AM - 5:30PM
- GOSPORT LEISURE CENTRE: 8:30AM - 5:30PM
- CRESCENT PRIMARY SCHOOL: 8:30AM - 5:30PM
- ITCHEN COLLEGE: 8:30AM - 5:30PM
- BEECHWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL: 8:30AM - 5:30PM

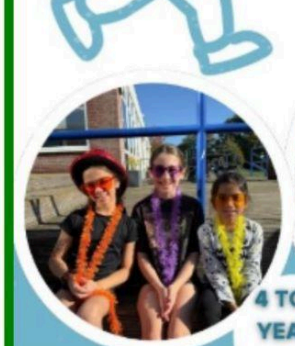
3 DAYS

- HARESTOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL: 8:30AM - 5:30PM
- PAVILION ON THE PARK: 9AM - 3PM
- WINKLEBURY SCHOOL: 9AM - 3PM
- ST PETERS PRIMARY SCHOOL: 8:30AM - 5:30PM
- QE2 RECREATION GROUND: 9AM - 3PM
- TESTWOOD SCHOOL: 8:30AM - 5:30PM

ALL CAMPS ACTIVE FROM DECEMBER 21ST - 23RD WHILE ONLY 5 DAY CAMPS INCLUDE DECEMBER 29TH & 30TH

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CHRISTMAS Holiday Camps







4 TO 13 YEARS OLD

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Christmas Toy Drive

Donate new & unwrapped toys
for children this Christmas
Deadline: 1st December

Morrisons Totton

Spruce Dr, Totton,
Southampton SO40 8AD

For More Infomation:
07804880072 or ChristmasAppeal@SpotlightUK.org
www.SpotlightUK.org

Charity No. 1129258

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMP

-THE MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL
8.30AM TO 4.30PM

Ofsted Registered

PERSONAL BEST EDUCATION

£30 per day

HAF spaces available from 2pm Monday 23rd November

Team Games



Multi-Sports



Inflatable Obstacle Course



Cooking & Baking





SAVE 10% WHEN YOU BOOK THE WEEKLY RATE

For children in Year 1 - Year 7

www.personalbesteducation.com


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CARE HOME
Christmas Lights
Switch On
Stalls | Raffle | Mulled Wine | Mince Pies
TUESDAY
1ST DECEMBER
5PM