

QEII Newsletter

30th January 2026

THIS WEEK

Number Day: Number Day is coming up next week on **Friday 6th February**. Everyone is invited to dress up in number themed clothes or costumes on the day and we will have special activities in school, while raising money for the NSPCC. Please see the letter previously sent home to parents/carers for more information.

Dance Live!: Students from Key Stages 4 & 5 will soon be taking to the stage at the Guildhall in Portsmouth for this year's Dance Live! event. This takes place next week on the evening of **Wednesday 4th February** and it would be lovely to see lots of you in the audience. Ticket information has already been sent out to parents & carers of students taking part, or tickets can be ordered directly from the venue via this link:

www.portsmouthguildhall.org.uk/whats-on/event/dance-live-2026/

If you have a child taking part in the performance, please make sure you have sent in all the relevant costume items and checked the letters sent out for details about packed lunches/dinners on the day and other arrangements.

QEII Connections: The next QEII Connections event will be on b at the school site from **9.30-11.00am**. It will be a presentation/meet & greet with Holly, our Family Liaison Officer. Please see the attached poster for full details.

Resource Making Volunteers: We need more volunteers to help make resources for our classes. If you are able to give your time to help with this, please contact Anastasia via the school office.

Parent Governor Election: We have a vacancy for a Parent Governor. If you are interested in helping the school in this vital volunteer role, please see the letters that were sent out to all parents & carers this week for more information.

YOIMOJI OF THE WEEK

This week's Yoimoji was Neon the creative wolf.

LETTERS HOME

All Classes: Parent Governor information letters.

CLASS NEWS FROM MOUNTAINEERS

Mountaineers have enjoyed the start of their new topic “Land Ahoy!” with lots of different creative activities. In Science, they have been experimenting with different objects to see which float and sink as well as completing some mindful painting. After this session, they created their own short stories based on famous paintings which included boats. Everyone enjoyed using origami to fold paper into boats and test them out on water. In RE, they have been learning about Hindu festivals and enjoyed dressing in up in different costumes and clothing which could be worn at a celebration.

CLASS NEWS FROM ASTRONAUTS

Astronauts class have thoroughly enjoyed starting our new creative topic “Land Ahoy”. We have been investigating different sea creatures through the story 'Tiddler' by Julia Donaldson, making paper and Lego boats, learning about floating and sinking and creating our own ship paintings. We have also enjoyed exploring sensory tuff trays such as “Can you free the animals” and “Which feely bag do you like the most?” We have also been learning about all things money in maths and have started our Forest Schools sessions with Sophia.