



Summer 2026 Class Newsletter

New Zealand

Welcome back to a new term!
We hope you all had a restful Easter period and that you are ready for an exciting term ahead!

Class Teachers: Mrs McTiffen and Mrs Parford

Quick notices:

Reading logs: We will be checking reading logs each day. Please ensure that you are reading with your child at least three times a week and that this is recorded in their log.

Homework: Our homework grid will cover the whole of the summer term, and will be uploaded to Google Classroom. Parents/carers, please then **photograph or scan** the children's homework tasks and upload them to Google Classroom.

Spellings: Spellings will be handed out on Thursday and tested the following Thursday. These will be uploaded to Google Classroom.

Allergies - we are a **nut-free** school. We politely request that you ensure your children do not bring nuts into school as a snack or in their packed lunches. This includes any food item that may contain nuts.

Snacks - please ensure your children bring a suitable fruit or vegetable snack for their break. Unsuitable items such as large chocolate bars and crisps are not considered to be a healthy snack and will be removed.

Important dates for New Zealand class:

April	May	June	July
13 th - Back to school	4 th - Bank Holiday	1 st - Back to school	6 th - Parents' evening
15 th - Forest School	20 th NZ Class Assembly	5 th - Y3/Y4 Sports Day - PM	8 th - Parents' evening
22 nd - Forest School	25 th Half term starts	13 th - Summer Fayre	22 nd - Last day of term

<p>English - 1st half term: In the first half term, we will be writing news articles based on the volcanic eruption in Pompeii. 2nd half term: During our Roman topic, we will be learning about the fable, 'Jupiter and the Bee'. We will also be writing diary entries as if we lived in the Roman times.</p>	<p>Maths - 1st half term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass and capacity • Fractions • Money <p>2nd half term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time • Shape • Statistics 	<p>Science - 1st half term: In the first half term, we will continue learning about Light. We will identify light sources and learn about shadows. 2nd half term: In the second half term, we will be learning about plants and the conditions that impact their growth.</p>
<p>PE - Swimming - We will be swimming on a Wednesday each week. Cricket - Mrs Castle will teach Cricket on a Tuesday each week.</p>	<p>Spanish - The children will be taught Spanish each week by Miss Bell.</p>	<p>RHE - 1st half term: We will be learning about saving, spending and budgeting. 2nd half term: We will be learning about choices.</p> <p>Please note that all RHE lessons follow our curriculum and are age-appropriate.</p>
<p>Geography - 1st half term: We will be exploring physical geography and will be looking at volcanoes and tectonic plates.</p>	<p>Art - 1st half term - We will be learning to sculpt using tin foil and wire, using the figures in Pompeii as inspiration.</p>	
<p>RE - 1st half term: We will be learning about Hinduism and Karma. 2nd half term: We will be looking into the story of Noah and the Ark.</p>	<p>Music - We will be learning how to play the recorder.</p>	<p>Computing - 1st half term: We will be learning about emails and how to send and receive them safely. 2nd half term: We will be learning about branching databases.</p>
<p>History - 2nd half term: We will be learning all about the Romans and how they lived. We will look at the impact that the Romans had on our local area and what they left behind.</p>	<div data-bbox="1039 1217 2219 1538" style="background-color: #4a90e2; color: white; padding: 10px; border-radius: 15px; display: inline-block;"> <p>If you have any concerns please feel free to speak with us via the class email nz@stmarysprimarypulborough.co.uk, or ring the school on 01798 872007. Kind regards, Mrs McTiffen and Mrs Parford New Zealand Class Teachers</p> </div>	