

# Ongar Primary School Newsletter

In our safe and supportive school, we provide lessons full of challenge, inspiration and real life learning in order to promote independent, respectful, high achievers who step out of their comfort zone, smiling.



Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017  
**DINNER MENU WEEK 2**

## Attendance

**School Weekly Target – 96%**

**% for w/e 3<sup>rd</sup> November – 95.4%**

Class	Weekly %	Points to Date
Donaldson	96.9%	1
Ahlberg	98.9%	3
Waddell	95.6%	1
Dahl	98.6%	2
Wilson	99.5%	4
Morpurgo	94%	1
Horowitz	95.9%	1

## House Points

House	Weekly Points	Points to Date
Giraffe	889	889
Monkey	889	889
Whale	1034	1034
Wolf	736	736

## Dental and Doctor Appointments

It has been brought to my attention that a number of children are being missing school due to routine check-ups. We appreciate that some orthodontic practices do not give any option for after school appointments but please try to make dental and doctor appointments outside of school hours.

## Christmas Bazaar

With only 6 ½ weeks until we break up for the Christmas holidays, preparations are beginning for the Christmas Bazaar which we will be hosting once again with Bright Stars Pre School on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December. A meeting will be held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 9.15am in the school hall to bring together ideas for this event. If you are unable to make the meeting but are able to help in other ways, such as preparing games / stall or helping out on the day, please pop into the office and speak with Donna Robinson. Any assistance, even half an hour of prize wrapping would be much appreciated – Many hands make light work!

## Remembrance Workshop

This year we will once again be taking part in the Remembrance Workshop organised by Zinc Arts. Dahl and Wilson class will experience a morning in a wartime school setting including taking shelter during an air raid. They will also be creating art work which will become part of a large art installation outside Zinc Arts.



Poppies are on sale this week along with bracelets and bands. Children will have the opportunity buy a poppy when the Head boy and girl visit the classes this week.

## Head Teacher Awards

Congratulations to Katie – Yr6, Logan, Rhylee & Daniel – Yr5, Kane – Yr4, Casey Rose – Yr2, Rebecca – Yr1 and Oscar – EYFS, who all received a Headteacher's award.

## Daily Mile Record

We managed 665 miles last week, giving us 1,723 miles in total. Having passed through Malta, we are now crossing the Mediterranean Sea towards Tripoli.

## Head Lice

These little visitors are well camouflaged and to keep them at bay, we urge every family to regularly check their children's hair. The key to success is checking and checking and more checking. If you discover head lice, the chemist, your GP and or the clinic will advise about appropriate treatments currently being used. Please do not 'build up a resistance to treatment that causes nowadays. Thank you for your support.



## Parent Parking

There have recently been some issues with parking in the roads near the school. Could all parents and visitors to the school park with consideration for our neighbours. Please do not park your car in such a way that you block access to other road users in turn causing a road block around the school.

Parents are asked to leave their children at the gate. Messages for the class teacher can be given to the adult on the gate or the school office. Many thanks.

# Diary Dates

Please remember to check the school website for any changes to the Diary Dates.

We plan to hold a Celebration Assembly every Friday at 2.45pm. If for any reason this has to be cancelled we will inform you as soon as possible via the notice board by the main school entrance.

Dates	Event	Time
30 <sup>th</sup>	Back to school	8.45am
31 <sup>st</sup>	Individual and Family photographs – children to wear Logo uniform	8 – 11.30am
<b>November</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Author Visit – EYFS – Yr4	AM
1 <sup>st</sup>	Tag Rugby Tournament – Love Lane	9.30am -12 noon
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Coffee morning with the Head	9 – 9.30am
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Yr 3 & 4 Library Visit	9 – 11am
7 <sup>th</sup>	Maths Problems Solving Afternoon	1.15 – 3.15pm
8 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 3 & 4 Remembrance Workshop – Zinc Arts	AM
10 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 2 Library Visit	9 – 11am
13 <sup>th</sup>	E-Safety and Anti Bullying Week	
15 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 5 & 6 Class Assembly	2.45 – 3.15pm
16 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 2 class trip – Payment is now due	All Day
17 <sup>th</sup>	Children in Need – Details to follow	All Day
17 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 5 Library Visit	9 – 11am
20 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 5 & 6 class trip – Payment is now due	All day
20 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS September 2018 intake tour	2 – 2.30pm
24 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 6 Library Visit	9 – 11am
24 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Festival – St. Martins Church – Details to follow	5 – 6.30pm
<b>December</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Yr 1 Library Visit	9 – 11am
1 <sup>st</sup>	The Big Debate	2.30 – 3pm
4-8 <sup>th</sup>	Assessment Week	
8 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Library Visit	9 -11am
11 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Bazaar	3 -5pm
12 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal	AM
12 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch	12 - 1.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KS1 Nativity to Parents - AM	TBC
14 <sup>th</sup>	Christingle @ St. Martins Church	9.30 – 12 noon
14 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KS1 Nativity to Parents – PM	5 – 6.30pm
15 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Panto	AM
19 <sup>th</sup>	Party Lunch	12 – 1.30pm
19 <sup>th</sup>	Craft Afternoon	PM
20 <sup>th</sup>	Inset day	All Day
21 <sup>st</sup> - 1 <sup>st</sup> January	Christmas Holiday	
<b>January 2018</b>		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Back to School	8.45am