

Ongar Primary School Newsletter

Our real life learners are challenged and inspired in our safe, supportive and respectful school.



Monday 15th January 2018
DINNER MENU WEEK 3

School Weekly Target – 96%
% for w/e 13th January 2018 – 96.4%

Class	Weekly %	Points to Date
Donaldson	96.7%	3
Ahlberg	98.9%	4
Waddell	94%	1
Dahl	94%	4
Wilson	95.8%	3
Morpurgo	98.6%	3
Horowitz	96.7%	2

House Points

House	Weekly Points	Points to Date
Giraffe	1022	1321
Monkey	1016	1337
Whale	936	1343
Wolf	828	1227

Residential Trips

Residential trips have been arranged for year 5 and 6 for later this academic year and early next academic year. These trips are a great opportunity for the children to experience a range of different team building tasks adding to their real life learning experiences.

Year 5 parents – please return your permission slips with deposit payments by 29th January 2018. Payment cards will be sent home once all deposits have been received.

Year 6 parents – you should have received your payment card to help when making payments. Full payment is due by 23rd May.

Attendance

Just a reminder that if your child is absent from school, you need to contact the school office explaining the reason for the absence. If your child is absent for 3 or more days, medical evidence is required. A letter confirming their absence should be given to the school office upon their return.

Sports Morning

The children have had a fantastic morning with the British long jump champion Ezekiel Ewulo. He ran a fitness session for all of the children, led an assembly and demonstrated his long jumping skills as well as sharing his training and nutrition schedule. The children asked lots of questions and were inspired by his story.

District Inter School Karate Championships

Once again we have been invited to take part in this event which will take place on Thursday 25th January. The Championships are open to any child, with a yellow belt or above, who is a current member of a Karate Club. Letters have been sent home with children who expressed an interest; if your child is interested and has not brought home a letter, please speak to the school office.



Cross Country

Good luck to our year 3-6 children who are representing the school at the Ongar Sports Ground on Wednesday this week. Letters will be going home with selected children this afternoon.

Boccia Champions

Last Thursday a group of children attend the Boccia County Finals at Basildon Sporting Village. There were 16 other regional winners competing, with our team showing great team spirit and enthusiasm. We finished 9th overall – well done to Sonny, Max H, Anthony, Billy and Morgan S.

Changes to Diary Dates

Please note that due to all local schools having an Inset Day on Monday 19th February, we will be changing our **Thursday 24th May Inset Day to Monday 19th February** so that we can share training and good practice with these schools.

Daily Mile

We have just passed through Jordan, Saudi Arabia, with our daily mile total now reaching 3,045 miles.



Friday Reading with Parents

Due to the positive responses we had last term following our Friday reading session with parents, we would like to invite parents and carers to come and read with the children on the following Friday afternoons at 2:45pm. There will be no Celebration Assembly on these dates:

Friday 23rd February 2:45pm

Friday 23rd March 2:45pm

Friday 27th April 2:45pm

Friday 29th June 2:45pm



We hope you will support us by coming to read with the children.

Extra Curricular Clubs

Clubs start this week. We have had confirmation from Sports FA that if you have received payment confirmation for Brazilian Football your child has a place and they look forward to working with all the children. There is still time to book this club, through their website, if you are still interested.

Due to insufficient numbers, we have had to cancel 'Spy Club' but have arranged an extra Clubbercise club. Children from the Tuesday club waiting list and the few children, who expressed an interest in 'Spy Club', have been allocated a place at the extra Clubbercise. All club forms have been sent home via the children, so please check book bags to confirm which clubs your child is participating in. Waiting lists will be held where necessary.

Diary Dates – dates & times subject additions and deletions

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
January 2018		
17 th	KS2 Cross Country Event – Love Lane	1pm
February		
2nd	No Celebration Assembly	
5 th	House Competition	All Day
6 th	Year 2 – Class Assembly	2.45pm
7 th	Year 5 & 6 Sports Hall Athletics	1pm
9th	Parent Drop in Session – details to follow – No celebration assembly	2.45pm
19th	Inset Day	All Day
25th	4th District Inter School Karate Championships	1pm
28 th	Year 3 & 4 Sports Hall Athletics	10am
March		
1 st	World Book Day	All Day
9 th	KS1 Sports Hall Athletics	12.30pm
12-16 th	Assessment Week	
15 th	Dance Festival	1pm
16 th	Sport Relief Day	All Day
21 st	Parents Evening	3.30pm
22 nd	Parents Evening	5pm
26 th	House Competition	All Day
27 th	Netball Rally	AM
27 th	Bikeability – Fix a Bike	AM & PM Session
29 th	EYFS Class Assembly	2.45pm
30 th March – 13 th April Easter Holiday		
16 th	Back to School	8.45am