

# Ongar Primary School Newsletter

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



Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2018

## DINNER MENU WEEK 2

**School Weekly Target – 96%**  
% for w/e 26th January 2018 – 95.9%  
Slightly below target this week with a number of classes fighting to the top position.

Class	Weekly %	Points to Date
Donaldson	100%	7
Ahlberg	97.2%	7
Waddell	92.4%	2
Dahl	93.3%	5
Wilson	97.9%	8
Morpurgo	96.4%	7
Horowitz	96.1%	3

### House Points

House	Weekly Points	Points to Date
Giraffe	423	1808
Monkey	383	2011
Whale	614	2140
Wolf	478	2066

### Residential Trips

**Year 5 – Thriftwood 18<sup>th</sup> May & Carroty Wood 1-3<sup>rd</sup> October**

Thank you to all parents that have made a payment for the above trips. Your child will be coming home this evening with a payment card for you to make regular payments. Please note remaining deposit need to be paid by the end of today.

If you have any questions regarding either of these trips please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.

**Year 6**– you should have received your payment card to help when making payments. Full payment is due by 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

### Sad News

It is with regret that I inform you that John Hall, our old site manager, passed away between Christmas and the New Year. I am sure you will join me in sending our heartfelt condolences to his wife and children. If you wish to pay your respects, please speak to the school office for details of his funeral service.

### Karate

Well done to all the children who represented Ongar Primary at the Karate tournament last week. We came home with an abundance of medals.

### Club Taster Sessions

We are constantly trying to provide exciting extra curricular clubs for all children at Ongar Primary School. With this in mind we have arranged for a Hip Hop dance and Karate taster session. If these sessions prove popular we will be hoping to host the new clubs as soon as possible. Both clubs would incur a weekly fee to be paid by parents. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school to enable them to participate in these taster sessions.

### 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 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2:45pm**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2:45pm**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2:45pm**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2:45pm**



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

### Online reading

Thank you to everyone who has returned their slip to share their opinion on an online reading programme. Please return all slips by tomorrow (Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January).

### Parent drop in sessions

We really value the partnership we have with parents in supporting your children's education. We will be arranging themed drop in sessions where parents can come into school to see how we teach different aspects of the curriculum and how this can be supported at home. The first session is **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February** and focusses on SPAG. Further sessions are detailed in a separate letter which you will find in your child's book bag.

### What Happening this Week

Tomorrow Year 2 will be visiting Ongar Fire Station, as part of their topic work. If you are able to accompany the class, please speak to Mrs Sterzl **BEFORE** the visit.

On Friday Year 6 are off to the library. Again we are grateful for any volunteers. Please see Miss Bellett if you are able to accompany the class to the library.

## Year 2 Class Assembly

Year 2 would like to invite all parents and carers to their class assembly next Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 2.45pm. We look forward to seeing you all.

## Facebook

This week will see the launch of the school's facebook page – Ongar Primary School. The aim is to keep parents up to date on events, news and learning in school. It is set up as a business page and is designed to inform and share. Should you wish to communicate with the school please use the existing means of email, phone or call into the office.

We will also be launching a termly competition to promote parental involvement in their child's learning. More news on this next week.

## Daily Mile

This week we travelled further into Saudi Arabia by an additional 295, with our daily mile total now reaching 3,740 miles.

# 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
<b>January 2018</b>		
30 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 – Fire Station Visit	9am
<b>February</b>		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Library Visit – Yr6</b>	<b>9am</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Hip Hop Sessions – PE kits required</b>	<b>PM</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>No Celebration Assembly</b>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Karate Sessions – PE kit required	All Day
6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 Class Assembly	2.45pm
7 <sup>th</sup>	House Competition	All Day
7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 & 6 Sports Hall Athletics	1pm
9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Parent Drop in Session – details to follow – No celebration assembly</b>	<b>2.45pm</b>
9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Library Visit – Yr3&amp;4</b>	<b>9am</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Library Visit – EYFS</b>	<b>9am</b>
12-16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Half Term</b>	
19 <sup>th</sup>	Inset Day	All Day
23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Parent Reading Assembly – No Celebration Assembly today</b>	<b>2.45pm</b>
28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 & 4 Sports Hall Athletics	10am
<b>March</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup>	World Book Day	All Day
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Library Visit – Yr2</b>	<b>9am</b>
9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Library Visit – Yr5</b>	<b>9am</b>
9 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Sports Hall Athletics	12.30pm
12-16 <sup>th</sup>	Assessment Week	
15 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Festival	1pm
16 <sup>th</sup>	Sport Relief Day	All Day
21 <sup>st</sup>	Parents Evening	3.30pm
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Parents Evening	5pm
23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Parent Reading Assembly – No Celebration Assembly today</b>	<b>2.45pm</b>
26 <sup>th</sup>	House Competition	All Day
27 <sup>th</sup>	Netball Rally	AM
27 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability – Fix a Bike	AM & PM Session
29 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Class Assembly	2.45pm
30 <sup>th</sup> March – 13 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Easter Holiday</b>	
16 <sup>th</sup>	Back to School	8.45am

# ONGAR KIDS CLUB

## February Half Term 2018

12th - Wellie Day 13th - Mardi Gras with Pancakes

14th - Valentines Day 15th - Winter Olympics

16th - Chinese New Year

See our facebook events page for further information

**MONDAY TO FRIDAY**

**9.00AM - 3.00PM**

**DAILY OR WEEKLY**

**BOOKINGS**

**FULLY QUALIFIED**

**LOCAL STAFF**

**EXCELLENT**

**OUTDOOR SPACE**

**EASY PARKING**

**SUMMER HOLIDAYS**

**& HALF TERMS**

**£25 per child per day\***

\*When you book 2 weeks in advance  
Bookings made after this time will be charged at  
£30 per child\*\* Siblings receive 10% off\*\*

**Half days available at £15!**

*Includes snacks/drinks  
All activities, projects,  
entertainment, workshops  
and most of all FUN!*

Children to bring packed lunch

For children aged 4-11 years

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES CALL 07342 358466**

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