

Ongar Primary School Newsletter

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



Monday 14th May 2018
DINNER MENU WEEK 2

School Weekly Target – 96%
% for w/e 11th May 2018 –98%

Attendance

A huge thank you, to you and your healthy children for helping to ensure your children are in school regularly. Research shows the positive impact regular attendance has on progress and learning as well as improved outcomes in later life. The winning classes were Donaldson, Dahl and Horowitz. Well done to you all.

Class	Weekly %
Donaldson	100%
Ahlberg	94.4%
Waddell	97.5%
Dahl	100%
Wilson	98.8%
Morpurgo	96.9%
Horowitz	100%

House Points

The current leaders are Wolf house 6931 with points. We have two weeks to go and a house competition on the horizon to bump up those points.

Change to Swimming Lessons

Please note, due to SATs week there will be **no swimming tomorrow, 15th May**. There will be an additional lesson added in July.



Uniform

Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform to school every day. Trainers and boots are not permitted. Girls should wear plain white socks and boys plain grey or black socks. Summer dresses should be navy blue check. Ties should be worn in Key Stage 2. Please ensure long hair is tied back with a plain band. Big hairbows are not allowed.

SATS Week

It is important that all Year 6 children attend school every day this week. Our fundraising team have provided a SATs breakfast for them, from 8am. This breakfast helps the children relax and go through any problems before the SATs tests begin.

I know how hard all of year 6 have been working and am confident they are prepared and ready. Good luck to you all!

Child Safety

With the increased amount of traffic outside the school could parents please supervise their children at all times, especially those on bikes and scooters. It has been brought to my attention that a number of children are riding down the mud slope and into oncoming traffic. As a final point please ensure that cars are parked on the road, in a safe way and not obstructing the pavement.

Fundraising Update!

The total money raised at the Ongar Festival last weekend was £528.73. This will be shared between the school and Bright Stars Pre School. Thank you once again to everybody who contributed to this wonderful total.

Hot Weather

With the sun expected to make an appearance this week, it is important that all children have a hat in school. Sun cream can be applied before school and if required it can be bought into school in a named bottle to be reapplied during the day. Hats need to be worn when outside.



Healthy Living Assembly

Over the last few weeks Year 3 and Year 4 children have been taking part in the Healthy Living Programme provided by Epping Forest District Council. Parents of Year 3 and Year 4 are invited to special assembly on Friday 22nd June at 2.45pm to see what the children have been learning.

Gardening

We are still on the lookout for keen gardeners to help with simple gardening projects around the school. If you, or anyone you know has green fingers and can spare some time to help, please do come in and let us know. Victoria from the community partnership team is only able to commit for a few more weeks, due to other commitments in the local community.



What's happening this week?

Monday

A meeting to talk through what is involved in the KS1 SATs will be held for all year 2 parents **TODAY** at 3.30 in Year 2 classroom. This is an opportunity to find out more about the assessments carried out this term and ask any questions you may have.

Friday

Year 5 are off to Thriftwood for a day of adrenalin and adventure. Please drop your child off to the reception area at Thriftwood for 9.30am and collect them at 6.00pm.

Donaldson class are off to the library this week. If you are able to help, please speak to Miss Hollowbread.

Royal Wedding Lunch - We will be having a street party style lunch to celebrate the royal wedding. The school office need to be advised if your child would like to have the picnic lunch, regardless of which class they are in, by the end of the school otherwise we will assume they will be bringing their own packed lunch.

Year 6 Carrot Wood

A meeting will be held for all parents/ carers of children attending the **Year 6 residential trip** to Carrot Wood, in June on Monday 21st May @ 3.30pm for an update and a chance to ask any questions you may have.

Reminders

Residential Trip Payments

We are still waiting for a few medical forms to be returned for both activity trips. If your child is attending either of these, please complete the medical form and return to the school office immediately. Outstanding payments need to be made by the half term break for the year 6 trip and the end of the summer term for the year 5 trip. If you are unsure what is owing on your child's account, please speak with the school office.

Dinner Money

Please remember that the school runs a no debt policy in respect of dinner money. If your child is having a school meal you will need to pay either in advance or on the day the meal is taken. Please ensure all outstanding monies are paid immediately.

Watch this space for more information on cashless payment system.

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
May		
18 th	EYFS Library Visit	AM
18 th	Y5 – Thriftwood	All Day
18 th	Royal Wedding Lunch – Booking required	12 noon
25 th	Inset Day	All Day
June		
5 th	Fire Safety & Cyber Safety Talk for Y3 & Y6	PM
6 th -8 th	Y6 – Carrot Wood	All Day
15th	Crucial Crew – Y6	AM
15 th	Y2 Library Visit	AM
18 th	Father's Day breakfast	AM
18 th	Y1 Class Assembly	2.45pm
20 th	KS1 Athletics – Chipping Ongar Primary School	AM
22 nd	Y6 Library Visit	AM
22nd	Y3/4 Healthy Living Assembly	2.45pm
26 th	Moving On Assembly – Y6	AM
28 th	Road Safety Walk – Y5	PM
29 th	Y5 Library Visit	AM
July		
3 rd	KS2 Athletics Festival	AM
5 th	Sports Day – details to follow	All Day
6 th	Y1 Library Visit	AM
6 th	Family Quiz Afternoon	1.30pm – 3.15pm
13 th	Y6 Library Visit	AM
19 th	End of Year Assembly	2.30