

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 21st November 2016

DINNER MENU WEEK 1

ATTENDANCE

SCHOOL WEEKLY TARGET - 96%
% for w/e 18th November – 94.4%

Class	Weekly %	Points to Date
Donaldson	98.7	2
Hargreaves	95.7	1
Morpurgo	88.6	4
Dahl	98.8	8
Rowling	94	0
Tolkien	91.9	3

Attendance

Attendance was below our school target this week. Please ensure that your child is in school unless they are vomiting or have diarrhoea, in which case they need to be off school for 48 hours.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Donaldson	
Rebecca	Timothy
Archie	Olivia
Danny	Demi
Teddy	Denholm
Max	Ronnie
Blake	Tolkien
Rowling	Naiomi
Tilly	Connor
Cameron	Casey
Ruby	Ruby O
Daniel	Brook
Owen	Jessica
Matthew	CJ
Emma	Ruby S
Taylor	Demi-Lee
Thomas	Joe
Logan	Ruby C
Millie	Adam
Yasmin	Luke
Bethany	Estelle
Rhian	Taylor
	Riley
	Iannis
	Amelia

Children-in-Need

Thank you everyone for the huge effort that you all made for Children-in-Need. We had a fantastic day and spotty uniform day raised a total of £83. The winners of the Spotty Fashion Show were: 1st – Gracie, 2nd – Casey R and 3rd – George

The house that raised the most money for their spotty product sale was Giraffe house raising £34. They have been awarded one hundred house points for this. Every house had great ideas and all proceeds from the sale will be added to our grand 'Children in Need' total.

Please remember to help your child collect their sponsor money, which needs to be returned to the school office by Friday 25th November along with their sponsorship forms.

The grand total being donated to 'Children in Need' will be announced in next week's newsletter.

Netball Team

On Tuesday our netball team took part in the first game of the season at Chipping Ongar School. It was a good game and everybody tried their hardest. The final score was 2-0 to Chipping Ongar. The next match will be on Tuesday 6th December, details to follow shortly.

CIA News - Christmas Bazaar

Things are getting under way for this year's Christmas Bazaar. We have arranged for the 'Big Man' and his reindeer to drop by to see the children. Along with stalls outside offering hot drinks and games, there will be personalised baubles, Knock Santa Down the Chimney and Tombola stalls inside the hall.

In previous years our parents have been very good with donations towards the Christmas Bazaar and I hope this year your generosity will continue. Later this week a donation bag will be sent home with every child with information on what to donate. The house that collects the most donations will receive one hundred house points.

We are REALLY in need of helpers to help with the setting up and manning of the stalls as well as the big tidy up at the end. If you are able to help us in any way please let the office know what you are able to help with and either Nicola Yates or Christina Manciocchi will contact you to go over arrangements.

Thank you, in advance, for your help. The bazaar really looks like it's going to be a fabulous event.

Thank You!

I would like to say a big thank you to Max's dad, John Horton! John kindly fixed our toy trolley which has allowed us to save the money we would have spent buying a new one so that we can spend more on playtime resources for our children. What a super star he is!



Ongar Lights

On Friday, we will be taking our choir down to sing at the Ongar Lights, but this year we are also singing in the church. Our school will sing two songs at 5pm in the church and then we will join Chipping Ongar Primary and the Ongar Academy to sing outside. This is an excellent opportunity to show the community our new smart uniform and so we are asking that underneath their coats, your child wears the logo uniform so that in the church they can look extra smart. I will be sending a letter home this week to the parents of the children who will be singing at this event.



The Big Debate

The children will be taking part in a debate on Thursday at 2:30pm. This term the motion being proposed is 'video games are good for you.' Some children will be writing for this motion and others against and the most convincing speeches will be chosen for the actual debate. The hall needs to be very quiet throughout the speeches; therefore we invite parents but ask that those with toddlers and babies not to attend on this occasion. If you are able then please join us at 2:30pm, we look forward to seeing you.

Writing Booster

Every Wednesday before school starts, some Year Six pupils attend a writing booster and this term they are roving reporters. Casey wrote an excellent report about our Grand Opening and so this has been attached to this week's newsletter for you to read.

Our roving reporters would like to interview any residents who have lived in Ongar for over 30yrs. We would like to invite you to join us at the school on Wednesday 30th November at 2.30pm to answer questions about life and changes in Ongar over the years. Please contact the school on 01277 362345 or via email admin@ongar-pri.essex.sch.uk if you are able to join us. Many thanks.

Old Games

At this time of year you maybe be sorting through your toy boxes to make room for Santa's special delivery. If you have any unwanted board/table top games please could I ask you to donate them to the children at school to play with during wet break and breakfast club. Thank you in advance.



Photographs

Photograph orders are being collected from the school on Tuesday morning. Orders must now be made through the Tempest online service as detailed on order forms. Please be aware that there is an online closing date and that any orders are made before this date to avoid disappointment.