



Ightham Primary School Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2020

Key Dates

Thursday 15th October

Year 6 Kent Test

Week beginning 19th October

Y4 and Y5 CATs Tests

Week beginning 16th November

Anti-Bullying Week



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Term Dates

Term 1 – Tuesday 1st September 2020 to Friday 23rd October 2020

Term 2 – Monday 2nd November 2020 to Friday 18th December 2020

Term 3 – Monday 4th January 2021 to Friday 12th February 2021

Term 4 – Monday 22nd February 2021 to Thursday 1st April 2021

Term 5 – Monday 19th April 2021 to Friday 28th May 2021

Term 6 – Monday 7th June 2021 to Wednesday 21st July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we reach the end of our first full week back at school, I am pleased to be reverting back to our usual school newsletter format. This is the first newsletter of this type since 13th March. Reading back over that newsletter, it is notable how much things have changed. For example, I informed parents about our team's success in a water polo competition, which feels like a very long time ago now! Of course, we were all aware by that point of the concerns around coronavirus, but I don't think any of us foresaw that our school would not fully reopen until last week.

It has been wonderful to welcome back all our children and families, and I hope you have enjoyed returning to our close-knit community too.

As we all adjust to the new situation that we find ourselves in, I have a number of reminders and requests in order to keep our whole community as safe as possible.

Please will you ensure your child brings a wipeable lunchbox into school. We are seeing a number of fabric lunchboxes coming into school which are not wipeable.

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Attendance

Attendance for this week is as follows:

Acorn – 98.36%

Pine – 95.64%

Chestnut – 94.67%

Willow – 98.47%

Elm – 87.13%

Beech – 92.73%

Oak – 90.93%

Lateness

The number of “lates” recorded this week were as follows:

Acorn – 0

Pine – 0

Chestnut – 0

Willow – 2

Elm – 1

Beech -0

Oak - 1



May I request that only one adult drops off and picks up your child when at all possible to limit the number of possible interactions at the beginning and end of the school day. I do know that, in most cases, this is already happening.

As I mentioned in my newsletter last week, please may I again request that children from different bubbles are not permitted to play together in close contact on the Recreation Ground after school having been purposely kept apart during the school day.

Music Lessons

If your child is interested in having music lessons, the school offer Guitar, Violin & Piano. Lessons start for children in Years 2 - 6. Please contact the school office for further details.

After School Club/Breakfast Club

The e-booking form for October After School Club/Breakfast Club has been sent out via Parentmail. Please contact the School Office - office@ightham.kent.sch.uk - if you require a form and haven't yet received one.

We do have strict timings in place for After School Club. Please may I remind parents/carers to adhere to these timings as they help us to keep everybody safe. Do refer to the document that you were sent which explains our procedures for wraparound care during the pandemic. Do email the School Office if you need another copy to be sent to you.

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Gold Cup and Head Teacher Certificates

The Gold Cup was awarded to: Taylor in Year 3

Head Teacher certificates were awarded to:

Year 1 – Hudson and Tripp

Year 2 – Holly and Finley

Year 3 – Isla and Holly

Year 4 – Heidi and Zach G

Year 5 – Niamh and Isla

Year 6 – Ava and Maisie

Well done to all!

Ightham Values

Caring

Respect

Responsibility

Tolerance

Aspiration

Honesty

Ightham Vision

Pupils should leave Ightham School with their understanding deepened, their minds enriched, and their hearts inspired, so that they love learning and embrace the challenges of the future.

Staff Development Days

1st September 2020

2nd September 2020

18th December 2020

4th January 2021

7th June 2021



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