



Ightham Primary School Newsletter

Friday 13th November 2020

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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



Key Dates

Week beginning 16th November

Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 16th November

New Entrants' Virtual Presentation (3.30pm)

Thursday 3rd December

New Entrants' Virtual Presentation (4.30pm)

Thursday 10th December

'Flu Nasal Immunisations

Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for your support of Children in Need today. We shall let you know the total sum raised in due course.

As you will see from the photograph above, our Head Boy and Head Girl, Joshua and Lucia, laid a wreath on behalf of the school during the week. Thank you to them both.

Our promotional videos are now available for you to see on the home page of our school website. You need to scroll down the page a little way and then click on the videos. At a time when you are unable to come onto the school site, I hope you will enjoy watching the videos and perhaps get a little taste of life in school. The videos were shot during October.

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Please may I remind you of the ongoing parent governor election. Thank you to Mr Witherden and Mrs McAdie for putting themselves forward for this role. I very



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Attendance

Attendance for this week is as follows:

- Acorn – 96.74%
- Pine – 97.27%
- Chestnut – 99.44%
- Willow – 98.81%
- Elm – 95.71%
- Beech – 99.36%
- Oak – 97.85%

Lateness

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

- Acorn – 1
- Pine – 0
- Chestnut – 0
- Willow – 2
- Elm – 0
- Beech - 0
- Oak - 0



much hope you will take the opportunity to vote before the deadline next Friday.

The PSA held their virtual AGM during the week. During these extremely challenging times for us all, the PSA continue to work incredibly hard on behalf of the children and the school. I would like to say a big “thank you” on behalf of the school for everything they have done over the last year and continue to do.

Please may I take this opportunity to remind you of Easy Fundraising. If you use Easy Fundraising when doing your online shopping, you can help raise funds for the school with no additional cost to yourself. Sign up at

www.easyfundraising.org.uk

and choose ‘Ighthampsa’ as your cause, and then use the links to shop. It really is that easy and it’s free money towards the school.

I do hope that you and your family are managing to stay safe and well during the ongoing pandemic. I am increasingly hearing of bubbles, and even schools, being required to close in the locality as the rate increases substantially. It is important we all do what we can to keep ourselves and each other safe. I wrote to all parents last week with requests as to how you can help us with this. Thank you to all those parents who are doing everything they can to keep our school community safe.

We received a donation of PPE in school this week but, unfortunately, we don’t know who sent it. We would otherwise have been in contact to say “thank you”. Please do accept my thanks on behalf of the school through this newsletter.

I mentioned in the newsletter last week an appeal for any old/obsolete or unused tablets/iPads that you may have at home. The school would gratefully receive any such items. This will help the school support children and families that do not have any or sufficient technology in the event of remote learning taking place. If you are able to support this appeal, please may I request that you erase all your own data beforehand. Thank you.

We are holding our second virtual New Entrants’ Presentation on Monday after school next week. The final one will be on Thursday 3rd December at 4.30pm. If you have a child starting school in September 2021, do let the School Office know if you would like to join the presentation.

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Gold Cup and Head Teacher Certificates

The Gold Cup was awarded to: Max T in Year 5

Head Teacher certificates were awarded to:

Year R – Elizabeth and Theo A

Year 1 – Poppy P and Kaiden

Year 2 – Albie A and Olivia

Year 3 – Taylor and Ruby Th

Year 4 – Molly and Zach B

Year 5 – Mia and Damien

Year 6 – Maisie and Henry

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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