



IGHTHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

5th February 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you have had a good week. Lockdown has been challenging for many people. I would like to say “very well done” to everyone in our school community for doing the best you possibly can to support the children during this period. As I know you’ll be aware, staff have been working incredibly hard throughout this time. Thank you so much to those of you that have emailed to offer your support with your kind words. Those messages of support really do make a big difference to all of us.

May I remind you that next week is the final week of Term 3 and the following week is half term. Given the current circumstances, I am aware it is very easy to lose track of such matters!

Please may I remind you that work will only be available via TEAMS from Monday. I know that the vast majority of parents are already accessing work through TEAMS; if you are still having issues, please do contact your child’s class teacher via email.

I have attached a wide range of resources to the parentmail which you may find useful to support your child’s home learning. Thank you to Miss Avery for collating this information.

It is Safer Internet Day on Tuesday next week and you will be receiving a separate letter about that. Given that many of us are spending more time connected to the internet than ever before, this is a crucial topic. Hopefully you will have had the chance to read the letter I sent you a couple of weeks ago about helping your child stay safe online.

We shall be welcoming Craig Jenkins back to school, albeit virtually, on Thursday afternoon. Craig is a professional storyteller and he has been very well received by everyone at the school on his previous two visits. Thank you to the PSA for funding his appearance.

The winners of the Governors’ January 200 Club draw were:

- 1st - Jeroen van Bezooijen - £19.50
- 2nd - Kirsty Harrower - £ 11.70
- 3rd - Julia Weller - £7.80



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Oak National Academy

The Oak National Academy provides resources for children. This is a collection of lessons and online learning that has been backed by the government. The feedback I have received from a number of our parents has been very positive. You can access all the resources here: <https://www.thenational.academy/information-for-parents-pupils/>

The Oak National Academy also has an archive of “live” assemblies that were first broadcast over the internet in summer 2020.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/assemblies/>

Music and Arts

The Royal Albert Hall have a series of videos for children introducing the different instruments in the orchestra. It's worth a look:

<https://www.royalalberthall.com/about-the-hall/news/2020/april/meet-the-orchestra-with-alberts-band/>

And have a look at:

<https://www.tate.org.uk/kids/explore/whos-who>

where you can find out loads of information about a whole range of famous artists.

Parish Magazine

The link below will take you to a digital copy of the Parish Magazine for February.

<https://online.fliphtml5.com/thbfa/feko/>

We Are With You

A parent very kindly told me about this organisation which is available to help families needing support.

<https://www.wearewithyou.org.uk/help-and-advice/find-service/how-we-help-mental-health/>

Kind regards,

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