



Ightham Primary School Newsletter

Friday 10th September 2021



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Term Dates

- Term 1 - 1st September 2021 to 22nd October 2021
- Term 2 - 1st November 2021 to 17th December 2021
- Term 3 - 4th January 2022 to 11th February 2022
- Term 4 - 21st February 2022 to 1st April 2022
- Term 5 - 19th April 2022 to 27th May 2022
- Term 6 - 6th June 2022 to 22nd July 2022

Staff Development Days

- 1st September 2021
- 1st October 2021
- 17th December 2021
- 27th May 2022
- 6th June 2022

Key Dates

Monday 13th September

Y4, 5 and 6 Assessment Week

Monday 20th September

Reception children in full time

Friday 1st October

School Closed – INSET day

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have reached the end of the first full week of the academic year, and the school is certainly in full flow! It has been lovely to see the children back in school and happily spending time with their friends.

I dropped into the Reception classroom on their first morning last week, and I have to tell you how very impressed I was. All the children were sat beautifully and all were listening attentively to Miss Cook. It really was delightful and all the children seemed to be very happy.

As I mentioned in this newsletter last week, we do have some spaces available in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Schools are primarily funded by the number of children attending the school. Please do let your friends and family know we have these spaces if you think they'll be interested – there are very, very few schools which have been graded outstanding by Ofsted in the area in recent years!

Many of our Year 6 children sat the Kent Test (11+) yesterday. All the children tried their hardest and we are all very proud of them, whatever the outcome. Very well done to them all.

Inevitably, I must mention Covid-19. As we all settle into the new school year, I continue to keep a close eye on the guidance from government. I must remind you that schools no longer

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Attendance

Attendance for this week is as follows:

Acorn – 100%

Pine – 99.6%

Chestnut – 100%

Willow – 100%

Elm – 100%

Beech – 99.6%

Oak – 99.5%

Lateness

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

Acorn – 0

Pine – 0

Chestnut – 0

Willow – 0

Elm – 3

Beech -1

Oak - 0



carry out tracing activities – this is carried out by NHS Test and Trace. Parents/Carers should not enter any school buildings unless they are invited to do so. Contact with the School Office remains through email, telephone and contact books.

In the event of a Covid outbreak in our community, we may be directed to revert to bubbles alongside other mitigations. Hopefully this will not happen. However, in this eventuality, please be aware that extracurricular clubs may be suspended for the period in which we run a bubble system.

We are very much looking forward to the Ightham Games tomorrow. Fingers crossed that the weather is kind as a great deal of effort and hard work has been put in to ensure its success. Ightham Games is being held between 1pm and 5pm. Do come along – it promises to be a highly enjoyable afternoon and will also raise funds for our brilliant PSA as well as the Friends of St. Peters.

Please may I remind all parents/carers that parking is at the Recreation Ground and not on the School Drive unless a specific exemption has been granted by the school (for example, due to disability). Many of our parents and children use the school drive at the beginning and end of the day and we must all be mindful of their safety. I also request you do not to park on Oldbury Lane. Cars parking on Oldbury Lane can prevent emergency vehicles from reaching the school should the necessity arise.

As we are a nut free school, please thoroughly check that your child’s snack/ lunch does not contain any nuts especially some of the “hidden” nuts eg pesto, marzipan etc

A reminder too, that dogs are not allowed on the school site/ playground.

I hope you enjoy the weekend and I look forward to seeing many of you at the Ightham Games tomorrow afternoon!

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Gold Cup and Head Teacher Certificates

Head Teacher certificates were awarded to:

- Year 1 – Harrison and Louisa
- Year 2 – Hugo and Darcy
- Year 3 - Georgina and Jackson
- Year 4 - Max and Flo
- Year 5 – Dougie and Arthur
- Year 6 - All of Year 6

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.



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