



Ightham Primary School Newsletter

Friday 3rd 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 6th September

Meet the Teacher

Thursday 9th September

Year 6 Kent Test (11+)

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,

A very warm welcome to the new academic year. It was lovely to greet many of you yesterday morning on the first day of the year.

I would like to particularly welcome our new children and families that have joined us over the summer. I hope your child settles quickly at Ightham and enjoys their time with us.

You will have received a letter from me on Wednesday which outlined our Covid plans for the start of the new term. Please do help us by reading the information carefully and following the guidance. Experience over the last eighteen months indicates that things can change quickly and I shall endeavour to keep you informed throughout the coming year of any changes to our arrangements.

I would like to formally welcome Miss Garvin-Howard and Mrs Gibbon to our team. Mrs Gibbon was previously at Ightham a few years ago for a short period of time so some of you may remember her. I am sure everyone will extend a warm welcome to them and I hope they are very happy in their new roles with us.

Spaces available – Years 3, 4 and 6

Due to some families relocating over the summer, we have a number of places available in



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Years 3, 4 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!

Meet The Teacher – Monday 6th September

We shall be holding class Meet The Teacher meetings on Monday 6th September after school. The first will be at **3.30pm** in your child's classroom and this will be face-to-face. Your child may also come into the meeting but they will be expected to sit quietly whilst the teacher leads their presentation. Alternatively, the same session will be held remotely via Zoom or TEAMS at **6pm**. Links will be sent out separately.

After School Club - staffing

We are anticipating higher numbers in our After School Club this term and we have very limited staffing capacity. If you are interested in working in our After School Club please let the School Office know - admin@ightham.kent.sch.uk

This will initially be on an ad-hoc basis. The post is term time only and is paid at Kent Range 3. After School Club runs from 3.20pm to 6.00pm.

Governors' 200 Club

July's winners of the Governors' 200 Club were:

1st - Jeroen van Bezooijen, £20

2nd - Ginette Eve, £12

3rd - Stephanie Mason, £8

Ightham Parish Magazine

The September edition of the Ightham Parish Magazine can be accessed by following the link below. There is an article on the back page about the official opening of the Oldbury Annexe in July, as well as an update about Friends of Ightham School (FOIS).

<https://www.flipsnack.com/kcpress/ipm-september-2021.html>

Ightham Games – Saturday 11th September

Plans are now well advanced for the Ightham Games on Saturday 11th September. This will be held between 1pm and 5pm. Do come along – it promises to be a highly enjoyable afternoon and will also raise funds for our PSA.

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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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