



Ightham Primary School Newsletter

Friday 15th October 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 18th October
Maths Week
Parent Consultations
- Wednesday 20th October
Parent Consultations
- Friday 22nd October
Last day of Term 1
- Monday 1st November
First day of Term 2
- Friday 5th November
Individual school photos

Dear Parent/Carer,

Our harvest collection was delivered to The Pilsdon at West Malling earlier this week. Thank you again to our whole school community for your very kind donations. If you would like know more about The Pilsdon, do have a look at their website:

<https://www.pilsdon.org.uk/about-us/west-malling/>

We welcomed Mr Abbott into school to lead Mini-Medics first aid training for our Year 5 and Year 6 children this week. He delivered three hour first aid training to the children. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about first aid. All were given a first aid booklet which hopefully they will read and keep for future reference.

I am delighted to tell you that we took part in our first inter-school sports competitions since before the pandemic this week. Mrs Parkinson organised and managed the teams so my thanks go to her. She reported the following:

"Ightham had their first league football matches on Tuesday. It was great to be back playing again and I'm happy to say they won both! The players showed fantastic teamwork and great sportsmanship. A huge thank you to Mrs Titchner for training the team.

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Attendance

Attendance for this week is as follows:

Acorn – 96.1%

Pine – 90.8%

Chestnut – 93.5%

Willow – 97.9%

Elm – 98.7%

Beech – 98.3%

Oak – 91.0%

Lateness

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

Acorn – 3

Pine – 2

Chestnut – 0

Willow – 1

Elm – 1

Beech -0

Oak - 0

On Thursday Ightham entered a Tag Rugby Tournament at Sevenoaks Rugby Club. The team had never played together before and showed amazing resilience in managing to come third in their group. Well done to all the girls and boys who played! A big thank you to all the parents who came to support and cheer on the team!!

The Pedestrian Safety workshops for Chestnut and Willow classes were postponed earlier on this week by the external provider due to deliver them; we are hoping to get these booked back into the school diary in November.

I mentioned the possibility of setting up a Walking Bus in this newsletter last week. In order to proceed, we would require a few parents to volunteer to take on this role. Thus far, we have received no responses. Please email admin@ightham.kent.sch.uk if you would be interested in helping us set this up.

Ightham Magazine – October

You will find a link below to the October edition of the Ightham Parish Magazine. There is a double page spread on the Ightham Games on p24-25, and an article I wrote on behalf of the school on p27 and p29.

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

Maths Week

The children will be taking part in Maths Week next week. We are delighted to once again be doing this and it promises to be both fun and educational. The Problem Solving Company will be coming into school on Monday to work with each class. Thank you to Mrs Johnson for her hard work in organising the week.

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations are taking place this week and next week. Your child greatly benefits from school and home working closely together. I hope you find your consultation informative.

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Gold Cup and Head Teacher Certificates

The Gold Cup was awarded to: Arthur in Year 5

Head Teacher certificates were awarded to:

Year R – Ada and Arlo

Year 1 – Miles and Lily

Year 2 – Ellis, Luna and Sebby

Year 3 – Summer, Arnie and Edward

Year 4 – Macy and Frankie

Year 5 – Freya and Evie M

Year 6 – Harriet and Darcey

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.



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