



Ightham Primary School Newsletter

Friday 6th May 2022

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Term Dates

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 21st July 2022

Staff Development Days

1st September 2021

1st October 2021

17th December 2021

27th May 2022

6th June 2022



Matilda's read-a thon. Read all about it in Pupil Achievements

Key Dates

W/B Monday 9th May

Key Stage 2 SATs Week

W/B Monday 16th May

Key Stage 1 SATs Week

Monday 23rd May

Girls' cricket competition

Wednesday 25th May

Music Recital (School Hall)

Thursday 26th May

Last day of Term 5 for children

Tuesday 7th June

First day of Term 6 for children

Friday 1st July

Sports Day

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and your family enjoyed the Bank Holiday weekend. As the week draws to a close, we are all feeling uplifted by the sunny, warmer weather!

Elm and Willow classes visited the Chiddingstone Literary Festival on Tuesday. The children enjoyed the day and hopefully wanted to tell you all about it when they came home!

Thank you to all those parents that completed our annual parents' survey. We received 96 responses in total. I shall be looking at those responses in more depth over the coming days, but it was pleasing to note that 94 respondees said they would recommend our school to another parent.

Over the Easter holidays, we replaced the toilets adjacent to our Early Years corridor. This was part of our continuing programme of improvements.

Best of luck to our Year 6 children in their Key Stage 2 SATs next week. We know they have worked hard throughout the year and we are all very proud of them whatever the outcome. Key Stage 1 (Year 2) will be commencing their Key Stage 1 SATs from Friday onwards next week.



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Attendance

Attendance for this week is as follows:

Acorn – 95.2%

Pine – 97.0%

Chestnut – 99.3%

Willow – 97.2%

Elm – 96.8%

Beech – 94.0%

Oak – 93.8%

Lateness

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

Acorn – 4

Pine – 1

Chestnut – 1

Willow – 0

Elm – 2

Beech - 2

Oak - 1



Ightham Parish Magazine

You may access this month’s Parish magazine by following the link below:

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

Governors’ 200 Club

The winners of the Governors’ 200 Club April draw are:

1st - Stephanie Coyne - £18.50

2nd - Demelza Carroll - £11.10

3rd - Elaine Warnes - £7.40

Kent Help for Ukraine

During the week, I received this update from Dan File, Head Teacher at Elham Primary School, who has been doing a truly inspirational job in coordinating and leading the Kent schools’ response to the crisis in Ukraine:

Back at the beginning of March, I started Kent Help for Ukraine. The idea was to create a collection point and send a few small vans of humanitarian aid into Ukraine. We sent out a list of desired items and started collecting them in Folkestone. We also created a Just Giving page to collect money to help with fuel costs.

So far, we have sent 13 HGVs full of humanitarian aid deep into Ukraine, where we know it is saving lives. We have estimated that this is nearly 1 million pounds worth of items- so thank you!

We have gathered a fantastic group of volunteers who have been working at the drop off point collecting, sorting and loading the donations.

The Just Giving page has raised close to 40K. This has paid for the fuel for the vehicles.

All in all, it's been a fantastic effort that has saved and supported lives.

A massive thank you to everyone who has contributed so far.

Our Facebook page is- <https://www.facebook.com/kenthelpforukraine22>

The just giving page is- https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/igor-kovalenko-1?utm_term=74YB9e5r2

For PHASE 2, we want to continue to collect all of the items as before. Also, continue to raise money- we have £16k left, and it costs around £4k per vehicle.

Thank you again for all your support,

Kind Regards, Dan File

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Gold Cup and Head Teacher Certificates

The Gold Cup was awarded to: Damien in Year 6

Head Teacher certificates were awarded to:

Year R – Lily and Aulban

Year 1 – Nevie and Theo GP

Year 2 – Sebby, Darcy and Crystal

Year 3 – Molly and Josh G

Year 4 – Lizzie, Macy and Reuben

Year 5 – Oli and Evie M

Year 6 – Rory and Isabelle

Congratulations to all!

Pupil Achievements

Well done to Matilda in Year 2 for completing a read-a-thon and hosting an afternoon tea for her friends; she raised £435 for the DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal and £75 for St Peter's Church.

Congratulations to Reuben in Year 5 who has made it to the second round of the Tonbridge and Malling district football trials. Good luck!

Finally, well done to Arthur in Year 4 who was in a production of Aladdin at the Stag Theatre.

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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