



Ightham Primary School Newsletter

Friday 7th October 2022

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Term Dates

Term 1 – Monday 5th September to Friday 21st October

Term 2 – Monday 31st October to Friday 16th December

Term 3 – Wednesday 4th January to Friday 10th February

Term 4 - Monday 20th February to Friday 31st March

Term 5 – Monday 17th April to Friday 26th May

Term 6 – Wednesday 7th June to Friday 21st July

Staff Development Days

1st September 2022

2nd September 2022

3rd January 2023

5th June 2023

6th June 2023

Key Dates

Wednesday 12th October

New Entrants' Meeting for Sept 2023 (School Hall, 2pm)

Thursday 13th October

Rugby Festival at Sevenoaks Rugby Club

Friday 14th October

Aqua Splash

Friday 14th October

PSA Film Night

W/B Monday 17th October

Maths Week

Monday 17th October

Parent Consultations

Wednesday 19th October

Parent Consultations

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you have had a good week. I am pleased to report I'm feeling considerably better than when I tried to write this newsletter a week ago! We have, unfortunately, continued to be affected by a considerable amount of staff absence due to illness this week. Our School Office team has been particularly impacted. I do, therefore, ask for your patience and understanding when you contact the School Office.

We held our KS2 Harvest Festival at St. Peter's Church yesterday morning. I am very grateful to Reverend Tim and all at St. Peter's Church for their warm welcome. This morning, we held our EYFS/KS1 Harvest Festival in the School Hall.

Thank you to all your very kind donations, which will shortly be transported to the The Pilsdon at West Malling. You can find out more about the work of the Pilsdon via the following link:

<https://www.pilsdonatmalling.org.uk/>

Please look out for information regarding our first parent consultations of the year which will be sent to you shortly. There will be a choice of zoom or face-to-face meetings and these will be allocated on a strictly first-come-first served basis.



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Attendance

Attendance for this week is as follows:

Acorn – 94.7%

Pine – 96.9%

Chestnut – 97.6%

Willow – 96.3%

Elm – 98.1%

Beech – 98.0%

Oak – 97.4%

Lateness

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

Acorn – 0

Pine – 0

Chestnut – 0

Willow – 1

Elm – 2

Beech - 0

Oak - 2



Good luck to those children taking part in the Rugby Festival at Sevenoaks Rugby Club next week.

Governors' 200 Club

The winners of the September draw are:

1st - Victoria Black - £15.50

2nd - Marion Lowe- £9.30

3rd - Lisa Colbear - £6.20

Ightham Parish Magazine

You may read the latest edition of the magazine by clicking on the link below:

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

Mr Sherhod
Head Teacher

Ightham PSA

It was great seeing you at the secondhand uniform sale last week which raised £105.50. Thank you for all your donations for bags to school this week. Please remember to book your kids tickets for the movie night next Friday (14th October). The money raised from these will help pay for 'Maths week' which is starting on the 17th October.

Coming up: Pumpkin sale 21st October

If you think you could spare some time to help the PSA please contact:

Chair@ighthampsa.com

Free School Meals

Even if you do not wish to take up Free School Meals for your child, the school still benefits financially if you successfully apply. If you think that your child may be eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals (FSM), then I strongly encourage you to apply using this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Friends of Ightham School (FOIS)

If you would like to help FOIS raise additional funds for the school, you can choose to raise money through FOIS using Amazon Smile. There is no cost to you; a small proportion of anything you spend using Amazon will be donated to FOIS. It's extremely easy to set up...

To register with AmazonSmile please follow the steps below:

1. Using a laptop or computer go to smile.amazon.co.uk
2. Click the "Get Started" button.
3. Enter your amazon.co.uk account e-mail address and password.
4. Select the Friends of Ightham School charity by search via name or through our charity ID number of 1192718.

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Gold Cup and Head Teacher Certificates

The Gold Cup was awarded to: Freddie in Year 6

Head Teacher certificates were awarded to:

- Year 1 – Jack and Millie
- Year 2 – Lily and Olly
- Year 3 – Kaiden and Pearl
- Year 4 – Lochlan and Annabel
- Year 5 – Clara and Max
- Year 6 – Freya and Reuben

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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