



# Ightham Primary School Newsletter

Friday 10th May 2024



Year 1 learning all about space with the AstroDome in the background.

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### Term Dates

Term 1 – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September to Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October  
 Term 2 – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December  
 Term 3 – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February  
 Term 4 – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February to Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March  
 Term 5 – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May  
 Term 6 – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June to Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

### Staff Development Days

Monday 3rd June 2024  
 Tuesday 4th June 2024  
 Monday 2nd September 2024  
 Tuesday 3rd September 2024  
 Monday 4th November 2024

## Key Dates

### Monday 13th-Thursday 16th May

KS2 SATs Week

### Friday 17th May

Y6 History Workshop

### Monday 20th May

KS1 SATs Week

Y4 Art Day

### Tuesday 21st May

Music Recital (2pm, School Hall)

### Friday 24th May

Last Day of Term 5

### Wednesday 5th June

First Day of Term 6

### Friday 7th June

PSA Film Night

Dear Parent/Carer,

Our School Hall was taken over this morning by an AstroDome! The children in Pine Class and Beech Class learnt more about planets and solar systems in a highly stimulating environment.

Please may I remind Year 6 parents that Key Stage 2 tests take place in the mornings next week. You can help your child by making sure they go to bed reasonably early on the evening prior to each test and ensure they arrive in school for 8.35am each day. Miss Glasscock will be providing bacon sandwiches as an extra incentive for those Year 6 children that want them!

On Friday morning, there will be a History Workshop for our Year 6 children which promises to be a highly enjoyable way of ending the school week. This is being funded through our school voluntary fund.

I am very grateful to our wonderful PSA for agreeing to fund £6,000 of new books. We will be introducing a new English scheme of work in September called CUSP for all children in Years 1 to 6 and these books – 1035 of them! – will be used to support this new scheme. There is a PSA Film Night on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June. As well as being great fun for the children, all money raised by the PSA goes straight back into the school for the benefit of our children.



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## Attendance

Attendance for this week is as follows:

Acorn – 98.33%

Pine – 96.67%

Chestnut – 96.67%

Willow – 100%

Elm – 96.67%

Beech – 96.67%

Oak – 99.33%

## Lateness

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

Acorn – 0

Pine – 0

Chestnut – 0

Willow – 0

Elm – 0

Beech - 0

Oak - 1



## Ightham Parish Magazine

You can read the latest parish magazine (May edition) by clicking on the following link:

<https://online.fliphtml5.com/thbfa/boqo/#p=1>

## Year 5 Parents – Kent (PESE) Test

Parents of children in Year 5 have previously received information about the Kent (PESE) Test. If your child is currently in Year 5, and you intend to apply to a Kent Grammar school, register online at: [www.kent.gov.uk/kenttest](http://www.kent.gov.uk/kenttest)

Registration opens on 3 June 2024 and closes at midnight on 1 July 2024

**Please note that it is the responsibility of parents and not the school to register your child for the Kent Test. If you do not register your child to take the test within the given window, your child will not be allowed to sit the test.**

## Dates – Reminder

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June - First day of Term 6

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Last day of the academic year and school finishes at 1.30pm. There will be no After School Club on that day so you must ensure your child is collected at that time.

Mr Sherhod  
Head Teacher

## Ightham PSA



### Upcoming PSA events

24th May - Home clothes day and bake sale

7th June - Film Night

21st June - Sports day BBQ 3.30-6pm

We are looking for volunteers to help at the sports day BBQ. If you could spare a couple of hours please let your class rep know.

We are also urgently looking for a new treasurer for the PSA. If you think you could help please email me [chair@ighthampsa.com](mailto:chair@ighthampsa.com)

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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.

## Gold Cup, Courtesy Cup and Head Teacher Certificates

The Gold Cup was awarded to: Gabriel in Year 3

Head Teacher certificates were awarded to:

Year R – Albie and Arthur

Year 1 – Aelwen, Chloe and Isaac

Year 2 – Louie B and Florence

Year 3 – Oliver, Grace M and Arthur

Year 4 – Edie and Poppy M

Year 5 – Annabel, Lottie and Oliver

Year 6 – Arthur and Jasmine

Congratulations to all!

## Pupil Achievements

Well done to Isla, Year 6, whose district football team, Tonbridge and Malling U12s, have made it to the district cup final on Saturday. The final will be played at Maidstone United's Gallagher Stadium against Brighton. We wish her and the team all the best!

Well done too to Jeannie, Year 4, for her golds in vault and floor at the Gymfinity Maidstone Club Competition last week.



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