



Ightham Primary School Newsletter

Friday 17th May 2024

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Year 6 getting their marching orders in the history workshop.

Term Dates

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

Monday 10th June

Y6 Safety in Action

Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th June

Y1 Phonics Screening

Monday 17th June

New Entrants' Meeting

Dear Parent/Carer,

Our annual Music Recital takes place on Tuesday afternoon next week in the School Hall. It is always lovely for our children to have the opportunity to play their chosen instrument in front of an audience. I always particularly enjoy noting the progress that the children make from one year to the next.

Very well done to our children in Oak Class, whatever the outcome of their Key Stage 2 SATs tests this week. They have all worked exceptionally hard and we are all very proud of them. Their test papers have been sent away for marking and the school does not get informed of the results until July. We shall, of course, let parents know the test results once we have them. Year 2 children will be completing their Key Stage 1 tests in school next week.

Oak Class have enjoyed a history workshop this morning. The theatrical roleplay showcased what life was like for children in World War II.

Weather and conditions permitting, Elm Class will be taking part in an Art Day with children from six other local schools on Monday. My thanks go to Mrs Brown for arranging all the volunteer art specialists who are leading the workshops, and also to Mrs Black who has worked tirelessly to ensure the day is a success. The organisation has been a considerable undertaking and I am very grateful to them both.

Mrs Black is also leading on our work to regenerate the garden area with the aim that every class is able to grow their own vegetables before the end of the year. A message went out earlier in the week asking for parent volunteers to help with preparing the garden this Saturday morning. My thanks to those parents that responded and offered their support.



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Attendance

Attendance for this week is as follows:

Acorn – 99.44%

Pine – 98.06%

Chestnut – 98.33%

Willow – 98.61%

Elm – 98.33%

Beech – 98.33%

Oak – 99.17%

Lateness

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

Acorn – 0

Pine – 1

Chestnut – 0

Willow – 0

Elm – 0

Beech – 0

Oak – 0



Starfish Malawi – Raising Funds

Come and join Starfish Malawi at Bewl Water on Saturday 8th June 2024 to walk and raise funds for our work.



Starfish Malawi says: “We will be raising funds for our developing work at Ngolowindo. We now have a number of projects located there, Glad Tidings Children’s Centre, Everlands Special Needs Centre, Hope Clinic and its maternity wing. Please encourage your friends, work colleagues and churches to join us for the walk.”

To register and have all the information you need, please [click here](#)

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

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 5th June - First day of Term 6

Tuesday 23rd 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.

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Ightham PSA



We are also urgently looking for a new treasurer for the PSA. For more information, please email treasurer@ighthampta.com

Upcoming PSA events

24th May - Home clothes day £1 and bake sale **any cake donations welcome**

7th June - Film Night - Migration 4.45-6.20pm (ASC can come to the hall from 4.30)

21st June - Sports day BBQ 3.30-6pm

Can you help set up or help run a stall? please let me or your class rep know

ATB

Joanna Crisp

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: Ophelia in Year 3

Head Teacher certificates were awarded to:

Year R – Reuben and Cece

Year 1 – Emily, Harry and Catherine

Year 2 – Gracie, Aulban and Jack

Year 3 – Alex, Isobelle and Evren

Year 4 – Poppy B and Coralie

Year 5 – Henry and Holly

Year 6 – Innes and Alex

Congratulations to all!

Pupil Achievements

Well done to Story, Year 4, who completed the 5K bubble rush last Sunday raising £440 for Demelza's charity. She looks like she had a lot of fun!



Congratulations to Izzy, Year 5, who took part in another Taekwondo inter-club competition at the weekend. She won first place for her patterns in the red belt category.



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