



Ightham Primary School Newsletter

Friday 8th March 2024

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Celebrating Ightham Book Day.

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

Key Dates

Wk Beginning 11th March

Science Week

Monday 11th March

Science Boffins Workshops

Tuesday 12th March

Y5 Forces Workshop

Wednesday 13th March

Y4 States of Matter Workshop

Thursday 14th March

Y6 Electricity Workshop

Friday 15th March

PSA Disco

Monday 18th March

Drama Showcase (3.30pm)

Tuesday 19th March

Y3 Rocks Workshop

Wednesday 20th March

Spring Concert (2pm, Village Hall)

Dear Parent/Carer,

As I type this, the sun is shining and there are definite signs of springtime. Today, the children have been celebrating Ightham Book Day and it has been lovely to see their enjoyment.

Willow Class visited Kent Life on Tuesday and I understand they had an enjoyable day full of learning.

Next week is our Science Week and there are plenty of exciting activities planned. The week commences with a special assembly by Science Boffins, and they will be leading workshops throughout the day. Then, later in the week, we will be welcoming Andrew Berry and his team back into school. I have known Andrew for many years, from his time as KCC's Science adviser, and I am delighted he will be coming in to lead workshops. I know the children will be thoroughly engaged by these workshops. My thanks to Mr Terry and Mrs Black for organising our external visitors and for arranging the week. My thanks, also, to Mr Mavroleon for offering to come into school to do some outreach science work with our children. It's very much appreciated.

The KS1 and KS2 PSA discos have been arranged for next Friday evening and I am sure the children are looking forward to that. Our PSA continue to work amazingly hard on behalf of the school. Thanks to the PSA, we took delivery of two brand new electronic screens which will be installed in our Year 5 and Year 6 classrooms shortly. Each classroom will now have two electronic screens to support the children with their learning. To all the members of the PSA – thank you for everything you do, it is really appreciated.

Following my recent message in our newsletter about adding capacity to our school staff, I am



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Attendance

Attendance for this week is as follows:

Acorn – 98.89%

Pine – 98.33%

Chestnut – 92.5%

Willow – 94.17%

Elm – 97.22%

Beech – 97.22%

Oak – 95.68%

Lateness

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

Acorn – 1

Pine – 2

Chestnut – 0

Willow – 1

Elm – 2

Beech - 2

Oak - 0



very pleased to have been able to appoint Mrs Hancock and Mrs Foster as casual relief Teaching Assistants. We have a number of parents who work at Ightham Primary School and this really adds to the community feel of the school.

Information will shortly be going out to parents about parent consultations towards the end of this term and clubs for Terms 5 and 6. Please do read this information carefully.

You will also have received information today following the consultation process with TPA. Again, please do take the opportunity to read this information and feel free to ask any questions you may have.

Governors' 200 Club

The winners of the February draw are:

1st - Julia Weller, £9.50

2nd - Jane Knight, £5.70

3rd - Jennifer Reading, £3.80

Mr Sherhod
Head Teacher

Ightham PSA



Thank you for all the bags2school donations this morning.

Don't forget to register and get your school disco tickets for next Friday here <http://www.ighthampsa.com>
Ticket sales will close at 9pm Wednesday 13th.

Have a great weekend

Team PSA

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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

Head Teacher certificates were awarded to:

Year R – Sophia and Grace
Year 1 – Poppy, Emily and Torben
Year 2 – Elisa and Tristan
Year 3 – Max, Grace R and Ethan
Year 4 – Ellis and Arthur
Year 5 – Annabel and Harry
Year 6 – Florence and Ruby Tr
Congratulations to all!

Pupil Achievements

Well done to Alex in Year 3 who played in a hockey tournament for Sevenoaks Hockey Club at the weekend and the team won the tournament!



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