

Headlines

10th February 2023



Dear Parents

It's amazing to think we are already halfway through the school year. Year 6 have been at High Ashurst this week on their residential trip. Luckily they have had dry weather - even if it has been a little chilly.

Monday 20th February is an INSET day for the whole school and Nursery. Everyone will return on Tuesday 21st February. Have a lovely half term break.



Football vs Thorpe

The football team travelled to Pycroft on Tuesday 7th February to play Thorpe in the next stage of attempting to retain their League Championship. They got off to a sluggish start and found themselves a goal down after 5 minutes. This got the team going and they started to work together. They piled on lots of pressure and managed to score 4 goals- 2 from Ronnie and 1 each from Summer and Arthur.

They continued to work hard during the second half but could not add to their total and it was Thorpe who grabbed a consolation goal at the end when Ongar failed to defend a free kick properly. Nevertheless, a 4-2 victory, a pleasing performance and ready for a cup game after half-term.

This Tuesday was Safer Internet Day. We looked at ways to keep ourselves safe online during our Family Learning sessions last week. For more information see <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>



Year 6 are having a great time at High Ashurst. More details after half term.

Dance Festival

In March, 12 of our Key Stage 2 children will be taking part in a dance festival at Notre Dame School. Spectators will not be able to attend but there will be a performance to parents on Friday 3rd March at 3pm in the school hall. If your child is involved then please put this date in your diary.

Sports Hall Athletics

Sportshall Athletics- Bronze Medal

On Monday 6th February, 21 children from across Key Stage 2 visited Xcel Leisure Centre in Walton to take part in the Runnymede Sportshall Athletics event.

The children took part in 6 track events and 6 field events. All of the track events are a form of relay so teamwork is very important. The field events are very successful at Ongar as many of them form part of our personal best challenges. Team members were able to take part in a maximum of 2 track and 2 field events each.

Most of the other schools had children from Year 5 and 6 whereas the Ongar team had children from Year 3 and Year 4. All the children gave a fantastic effort and produced some amazing results.

The overall result was a best ever performance of 3rd Place up from 4th last year. The children were delighted to receive their bronze medals. The boys taking part were Blake, Isaac, Arthur, Miller, Oliver W, Robert, Ronnie, Jamie, Kieron and Grayson. The girls were Mia, Lily M, Summer, Freya, Sophie K, Ella H, Sabrina, Amelia, Octavia, Esther and Izzy W.

The afternoon works at a very fast pace and I hope that the children slept well that evening! Thank you to all of the adults that helped with the event.

Surrey County Council, via the school and Wonde, has agreed to continue funding to provide all families with children eligible for benefit-related Free School Meals (FSM) with supermarket food vouchers during the February Half Term period. These were sent out on Monday.

Parents' Evening 21st and 23rd February 2022 –

Please contact the office to make an appointment as the online appointment system is now closed.