

Headlines

31st March 2023



Dear Parents,

The final news letter of this term is very sport heavy – and rightly so as we need to celebrate our successes. However, this doesn't take away from all the wonderful things that children have been doing this week and this term.

It has been a pleasure to be in school (most days!) watching children take part in their learning in the classroom and outside.

Two Notes: 1. Vouchers were sent out on Wednesday for those families who need support in the holidays – if you have not received yours please speak to Mrs Hall.

2. We are having the server changed at school (?) during Easter. Apparently, this may mean an interruption to emails. We will reply to any emails sent in as soon as we are able.

In the meantime, I hope everyone has a lovely break and the sun shines on us. School reopens on the 17th April, 8.55. All best wishes, Mrs Good

Many thanks to our wonderful PTFA

For arranging the Easter event in school and the Disco for our Key Stage 2. Everyone had a great time and I'm sure the Easter Eggs went down well.

We look forward to seeing you at more events next term.

CHAMPIONS (AGAIN!)

On Monday 27th March, the football team visited St Cuthbert's in Englefield Green to play their final league match.

They knew this would be a tough game as they had lost to them last season. Ongar started brightly, and as in last season's game, the St Cuthbert's keeper made some amazing saves. However one of Arthur's shots from distance did go into the corner-1-0. Further Ongar pressure resulted in a goal for Ronnie and before half-time Arthur scored his second.

The whole team put in probably their best team performance of the season and ran out comfortable 3-0 winners. This meant that Ongar Place retained the Under 11 League title they had enjoyed winning last year.

The squad have worked hard and have supported one another superbly. This has been wonderful to see throughout the season. Boys and girls from both Years 5 and 6 have taken part and players have aided each others development through their ongoing encouragement.

Well done to the 2022/23 Squad – Isaac (Captain), Arthur, Esther, Oliver, Ronnie, Blake, Summer and Lily.

Thank you to all the supporters we have had this season, not only for cheering on the team but also helping out with transport.

Sport at Ongar 2022/23 So Far...

As we come to the end of the spring term I decided to think about what we have achieved on the sports 'field' so far this year. These are our achievements:

ERPSSA Dance festival CHAMPIONS

ERPSSA Badminton festival CHAMPIONS (County Finalists)

ERPSSA Under 11 Football League CHAMPIONS

ERPSSA Under 11 7-a-side football tournament semi-finalists (lost on penalties)

ERPSSA Under 11 Football cup quarter-finalists (lost on penalties)

ERPSSA Girl's Football Cup quarter-finalist (lost 1-0 to Cleves)

ERPSSA Pantathlon – Runners-up

ERPSSA Dodgeball – 3rd place

Runnymede SportsHall Athletics - 3rd place

In addition to this we have had 4 children chosen to represent the District at football - Arthur, Oliver, Isaac and Lily.

We have taken part in a judo festival as well as the cross-country where Arthur was our best individual performer in 7th place.

Children from Year 6 and Year 2 have taken part in training to develop their leadership skills. Pupils from Year 4 have had training in Mental-Wellbeing related to physical activity.

This is all over and above the excellent work I have seen from all of the children striving to beat their personal bests and working hard in their PE lessons. Many children have taken part in extra-curricular clubs including football, dance, yoga, running and chess. Let's see what we can achieve in the summer term!

Judo Festival

Wednesday 29th March 2023. Wow-I've just got back to school from a fantastic judo festival. I took Rohaan, Trace, Tyler, Jesse and Harry to Core Judo in Thorpe.

They were working with 4 judo instructors who had the boys from 7 schools working together - it was amazing to see their co-operation with boys they had only just met. They played games together, learnt holds and rolls but most importantly learnt about teamwork, communication and trust. This was possibly one of the best events I have ever been too. Look out for the Surrey Games flyer which has details of free Judo sessions. Mr Good

