

# Headlines

15<sup>th</sup> December 2023



## Dear Parents,

Yet another busy Christmas week – we are all worn out and ready for the holidays! I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support this term and the great experiences they have offered to all our children in the classroom and beyond.

I hope everyone manages to have the type of break they want, whether that is restful or full of fun and excitement! We look forward to seeing you all back at school on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January at 8.55am.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year Mrs T L Good



Thank you, Father Christmas, – good to know Ongar makes the nice list!

**PTFA** Thank you to the PTFA for organising the KS2 Escape Room Experience on Monday. It was great to see the children working together to solve the clues and win the prizes. A massive thank you to everyone who helped out for the Christmas events – a great series of activities and fun.

## Carol Concert

Thank you to everyone who attended the Carol Concert. The school and the choir sang beautifully and, as always, I was very impressed with the soloists and the readers. A lovely experience.

Thank you to Rev Ben for lending us his church for the evening – a beautiful setting as always and thank you everyone who donated to the leaving collection.

## Christmas Dinner

Thank you to Sandra and her wonderful team for providing us with a fantastic Christmas Dinner on Thursday. The children and staff enjoyed every mouthful.



## Christmas Support

The Support Scheme will continue to run over Christmas. Surrey County Council is providing support by issuing vouchers through the school via Wonde. Vouchers have been issued to eligible families this week. If you need support and you do not usually receive any please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Good - we may be able to help.

## Staffing

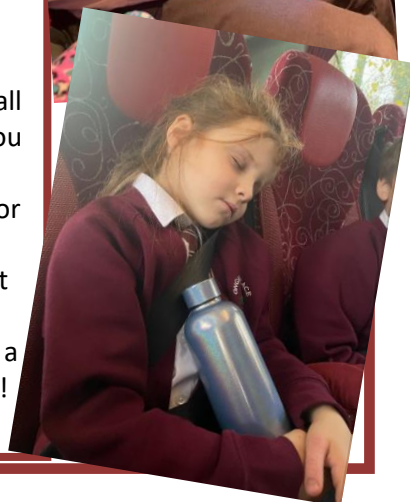
Today we say goodbye to two members of Staff.

**Miss Minto** started with us in 2019. We snapped her up to work as a class teacher after seeing how amazing she was when she was student teacher in Year 6. She has been amazing – working tirelessly with all our children and throwing herself into all our curricular and extra-curricular activities. We wish you good luck and good fun as you head off to Australia for an extended holiday!

**Mrs French** has been at Ongar since 2011 and has worked across the whole school and in the office. Always well-organised and capable, we will miss her next term. We wish you lots of luck as you begin your new role in the office of one of our local primary schools.

## Pantomime

On Wednesday over 240 of us attended the pantomime, Cinderella, at Camberley Theatre – oh yes we did! The children were fantastically behaved throughout the whole trip and cheered and booed with great enthusiasm throughout the performance in (almost) all the right places! Thank you to the PTFA for supplementing the cost for us all and a special thank you to all the helpers – it was lovely to have PTFA members, governors and a couple of 'old faces' back! A very tiring day!



## Diary Events List

Description	Date	Time
PTFA Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale	15/12/23	1.30pm
Term Finishes 1.30pm	15/12/23	
Return to school 8.55am	02/01/24	
PTFA Meeting - School	09/01/24	7.30pm
Rocksteady concert	11/01/24	2.30pm
Dodgeball @ Cleves	12/01/24	12 noon
Y5&Y6 Football @ Sayers Court	24/01/24	3.00pm