

# Headlines

23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024



## Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the second half of the school year. I hope you all managed to find some family time during the week and dodged the rain. Thank you to everyone who attended parents evening this week – I hope your time with the teacher provided an insight into how well your children are doing both academically and in terms of their well-being. If you could return the questionnaires given out to the office or the class teacher as soon as possible that would be appreciated.

In March, on a set morning, there is an opportunity for you to come and spend time with your child in their classroom and do some learning alongside them! Please see the letter sent home today and return the slip as soon as possible.

Following my comments about sweet treats in classrooms look out for some information coming soon.

Have a good weekend. Mrs T L Good

**PTFA**  
**QUIZ NIGHT**  
HOSTED BY COMEDIAN  
**JEREMY TOPP**  
FRIDAY 8th MARCH  
19:30-21:30  
IN THE SCHOOL HALL

**£5 PP**  
**TEAMS OF 8**

PURCHASE TICKETS ON PTFA WEBSITE  
BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS & SNACKS

## Pen pals in Cameroon

Before Half Term Y6 were treated to a presentation about life in Cameroon by Amelie, a student who has been researching a school there. She was hoping that we would be able to write to the children and they would be able to write back. This week we were delighted to receive letters from 31 children there. They told us about their lives at school and home - they sound very different to ours and include foods that we hadn't heard of, cleaning the classroom at the end of the day, no tv or phones and discipline masters! We are looking forward to writing back.

## Sport Badminton Festival

On Monday 5th February, 10 children from Year 4 and 5 visited Cleves School to take part in a badminton festival.

This involved the children taking part in 8 activities with links to badminton and scoring points. They had a great time and were hopefully motivated into trying something new again. The group was Matthew, Oliver, Emanuel, Imae, Amy D, Bella, Hassan, Milo, Eloise and Barney.

## Football vs Holy Family

On Tuesday 6th February, the football team walked down to Holy Family to play a local derby. This proved to be a fantastic match played in an amazing spirit.

The lead changed hands a number of times- 1-0 to Ongar, 1-1, 2-1 to Ongar, 2-2, 3-2 to Ongar, 3-3 and then finally 3-4 to Holy Family. It was a shame that somebody had to win as both teams played so well. Our goal scorers were Summer with 2 and Ethan. The other players were Alfie, Fletcher, Ben, Zak, Grayson and Lily.

## Dates for Diaries

Description	Date	Time
Surrey Youth Games Assembly	27/02/24	09:30 - 10:00
Y5 Football @ Royal Holloway	29/02/24	11:00 - 16:00
Dance Festival @ Notre Dame	07/03/24	12:00 - 15:30
World Book Day at Ongar – dress as a book character	08/03/24	
PTFA Quiz Night	08/03/24	19:30 - 22:00
Who Cares - NHS performance in hall Y5/6	13/03/24	08:30 - 11:30
Cross Country @ Notre Dame	16/03/24	09:00 - 13:00
Family Learning Week More details to follow 18/03/24		
Rock Steady Spring Concert	21/03/24	14:30 - 15:30
Nursery closed	26/03/24 – 28/03/24	
SATRO Electronics Workshop Y4/Y6	26/03/24	all day
Easter Holidays finish at 1.30pm	28/03/24	
INSET DAY School closed to children	15/04/24	
Nursery open as usual		
Back to school 8.55am	16/04/24	

## Morning Drop Off

Please note that the back playground is not supervised until 8.45am for Year 3 – 6 children. Children should not be left at the school gates or on the school site unsupervised before this time. No child will be sent away as breakfast club is available from 8.00am. This is at a cost of £3 including toast and topping, ask at the office for more details.