

# Headlines

22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024



## Dear Parents,

What a beautifully quiet weekend with no M25 noise! It's funny how you don't notice it until it's gone.

Thank you to everyone who came in for family learning week. It was lovely to see so many parents in classrooms engaging with the children and the teacher and learning a little bit more about how school is organised and the type of activities that we do.

Have a good weekend, Mrs T L Good

## March 2024- Personal Bests

Over the last week the children in Years 1-6 have been trying to beat their personal bests in a range of activities. These activities included vertical jump, standing long jump, speed bounce and 1 lap. Many of the children managed to improve on their previous best scores.

3 of the boys also managed to break records for their year groups- these were Karo (Year 1 vertical jump), Barney (Year 2 vertical jump) and Zayd (Year 2 speed bounce) - well done boys!

We will try again next term to see if even more children can beat their personal bests.

A huge **Thank You to Mr. Hancock** from Reception class who has re-laid the paving around the swimming pool and cleaned it all up for us ready for next term. It definitely looks better than it did.

## PARKING!

Hopefully the better weather will encourage more people to walk into school. **However, if you are driving please respect our neighbours and do not park across drives** or on the corners of the roads outside even if it is only for a few minutes.

## Football vs Stepgates

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March Ongar Place football team played what will probably be their last match of the season. They were playing a full strength Stepgates team complete with District and Academy players. Ongar were always going to be up against a side who were determined to score as many goals as they could.

Ongar performed valiantly and there were some good contributions particularly whilst defending. The score however ended at 14-0 to Stepgates but I would add that our team did not give up and were very gracious in defeat.

## Dates for Diaries

Description	Date	Time
PTFA Meeting	25/03/24	19:30
Nursery closed	26/03/24 – 28/03/24	
SATRO Electronics Workshop Y4/Y6	26/03/24	all day
PTFA Easter Disco for Children	27/03/24	See website
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	

## PTFA

Thank you to everyone who supported the second-hand uniform sale on Friday. We raised £56 and helped lots of families save money on their uniforms. We will be doing another one soon, and would ask all parents who have any Winter uniform they don't need any more to donate it via the school office.

## DISCO

We're excited for the Easter Disco on 27th March and hope to see as many of the children there as possible. There will be dancing, games and a snack and drink for everyone.

### Timings:

**Reception and KS1 Disco: 5-6pm**

**KS2 Disco: 6:15-7:15pm**

All children will need to be signed in when they're dropped off and signed out again when you collect them. A phone number will need to be given for contact purposes

**Tickets are £5.** For those of you who haven't got your tickets yet, you can either buy online or collect a slip from the office and send cash in. Tickets will also be available to buy on the night.



[www.pta-events.co.uk/ongarplace/](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/ongarplace/)

## Holiday Support

The Support Scheme will continue to run over Easter.

Surrey County Council is providing support by issuing vouchers through the school via Wonde. Holiday club vouchers have already been issued and supermarket vouchers will be issued to eligible families on the 25<sup>th</sup> March. 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.