

# Headlines

22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024



Dear Parents

We've gone sports mad this week on Headlines. Well done to everyone who participated and supported the teams. Have a good weekend, Mrs T L Good

With the cold snap upon us please can all children bring a coat. If there is any change in school opening you will be informed by text.

## ERPSSA Football Tournament

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November the Ongar Place football team took part in the under 11 football tournament at Royal Holloway. This is part of a National Competition and has many extremely talented players and teams taking part. Unfortunately, our warm-up game on Tuesday was cancelled at the last moment by the opposition.

Ongar were drawn in a very difficult group. The boys started with a 0-0 draw with Stepgates. The team followed this up with another goalless draw with St James'. There then followed a 2-0 defeat to Cardinal Newman. Throughout the players kept battling away and their teamwork improved without question.

We then had a long wait for our final game which proved a little too long and resulted in a 2-0 loss to Burhill.

We can also take pride because half of the team were a year younger than most of the players at the tournament. Well done boys - a great effort.

Thank you to Mr Davies for leading the players through their warm-ups and to Mr Telling in providing the team transport. The team was Hugo, Ben, Ethan, Grayson, Frank, Henry, Fletcher and Lennon.

## **Girls Cup Football**

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November the girl's football team took part in a cup match against St Charles'. For most of the girls it was their first experience of playing in a football match.

The girls battled very hard and it was easy to see the improvements the girls made as the game went on.

They were up against a more experienced team who managed to keep the ball for long periods of time which meant for some sturdy defending throughout the team.

St Charles did manage to breakthrough just after half-time and went on to score 3 further goals. However, the goal of the game was scored by Callie who went on a solo run and smashed the ball into the goal in the last minute. Great effort girls. The team was Bella, Ellie-May, Molly, Evie, Octavia, Callie and Dolcie.

## **Sports Kit - HELP!**

At Ongar Place we like to take part in as many sporting events as we can. When we go out and about we also like to look smart. The PTFA have kindly said that they will help fund a new athletics kit as our present one is looking a little tired. The last kit was bought for us by a kind parent some years ago. Having done an audit of our football kit it looks as though we also need a new football kit too. We wonder whether there might be an individual or company who would be prepared to buy a new kit for the school. We would need about 20 kits made up of shirts, shorts and socks with the school badge on the shirts. We would be able to organise the actual purchasing of the kit itself. If this were to be sponsored by a company then it may be possible to have the company name on the shirts too. If you would be interested in supporting the school in this way then please email the school.

New dates added in bold:

Description	Date	Time
PTFA Bags 2 School	25/11/24	all day
Girls Football Tournament	28/11/24	11:00 - 16:00
Prospective parent's eve	28/11/24	19:00 - 20:00
<b>Flu immunisations</b>	<b>02/12/24</b>	<b>all day</b>
Rocksteady Concert	05/12/24	14:30 - 15:00
PTFA School Shopping Event	06/12/24	all day
Y6 Bikeability	Wb 09/12/24	all day
Nativity YR and KS1	12/12/24	14:15 - 15:00
Nativity YR and KS1	13/12/24	14:15 - 15:00
<b>PTFA School Disco Yr KS1 /2</b>	<b>16/12/24</b>	<b>17:00 -19.15</b>
Panto	17/12/24	all day
KS2 Carol concert	18/12/24	18.00 - 21.00
Term finishes 1.30pm	20/12/24	
Back to school 08.50	06/01/25	

## **Personal Best Challenges**

The Key Stage 2 classes have been taking part in their PB challenges with Mrs Masey and Mr Good. Lots of the children produced some fabulous results. There were some great individual results- Callie and Octavia both broke the Year 5 Standing Jump records both achieving 1.93m!

Octavia also managed to beat her brother's Year 5 record for the Speed Bounce with a score of 119. This is an amazing feat and is only 3 bounces away from the school record-something to aim for Octavia!