

# Headlines

23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025



## Dear Parents,

Well that is that half term done and dusted. It has been very short and quite disrupted with the bank holiday but we have got some wonderful work completed and great learning done. We have also had lots of trips and events. Thank you for your support, as always, we will see you after the holiday.

Have a lovely half term

Mrs T L Good.

## Year 5 Assembly

Last Wednesday, Year 5 successfully presented our latest school assembly for the year. They guided us through some of the topics they have covered this year, starting with a fantastic performance of African drumming, followed by a piece of Shakespeare that demonstrated both English and drama knowledge, then onto the Geography section finishing with a final rendition of Africa by Toto. A brilliant assembly, beautifully presented. Well done to all of Year 5 and a big thank you to Mrs Chaudhry and Mrs Meyer.

## Year 3 Haslemere Museum

Our visit to Haslemere Museum was absolutely wonderful. The morning was filled with exciting discoveries as the children deepened their understanding of ancient Egypt, exploring its timeline and the mummification process. The children showed great enthusiasm and engagement throughout the hands-on activities. Afterwards, we explored the museum's collection of artefacts from ancient Egypt. Following lunch outdoors, the children had a chance to mummify their toys, create masks, and write their teddy bears' names on papyrus. With newfound knowledge and memories, we headed back home.

## Jubilee Summer Concert

This week our students had the wonderful opportunity to visit Jubilee High School to watch their musical performances. The show was nothing short of outstanding, showcasing the incredible talent and hard work of Jubilee students. Our children were captivated by the energy, creativity and musical skill on display. Many left the performance feeling truly inspired and eager to explore music further- some even expressing a newfound interest in learning a musical instrument! A big thank you to Jubilee High School

## Holiday Support

The Support Scheme will continue at half term. Surrey County Council is providing support by issuing supermarket vouchers through the school via Wonde to eligible families by today. 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.

## Chess Tournament

On Tuesday, Ongar Place hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual North East Surrey Schools Chess Tournament. Over 60 children from 5 different local schools attended and thoroughly enjoyed an afternoon of competitive chess. The behaviour and attitude of every player was fantastic with children shaking hands before and after matches - making new friends along the way. It was a close competition with Pyrford Primary coming out on top by just two points ahead of Springfield. Barnsbury, Ongar and Stepgates all put in great efforts but couldn't quite catch up.

Well done to all the players.

Mark Josse

## Year 2 Sports Festival

On Tuesday, Year 2 went to the Grange school to take part in the Infant Sports Festival. The sun was shining and everyone took part in all the activities from egg and spoon races, sack races, speed bouncing and football skills. They had a lovely afternoon and showed brilliant Ongar values and sportsmanship. Well done Year 2!

## Athletics Kit

We are missing lots of Ongar athletic vests and football kits. If you have any at home, please can you return them to your class teacher next week. We will need them for upcoming sporting events this term. Thank you.