

# Headlines

18<sup>th</sup> July 2025



## Dear Parents,

We have once again come to the end of a very busy school year. Thinking back over the year it amazes me yet again how much we have achieved this year. We have had some wonderful trips and events including our annual panto trip, our visit to the Globe, to The Royal Opera House. We've had Brickies in, Little Street, Perform and various music events. We've also had our residential to High Ashurst and all our trips to local places like Gatton Park, Wisley, the allotments and museums. There have also been all the wonderful assemblies, the school play and nativity and carol concert. It's not surprising we are all exhausted!

As always, I want to say a massive thank you to everyone who has contributed this year. Firstly, to all of our children - the very reason we turn up every day. To all our families who support us and make up our community. To our dedicated PTFA who have provided some fantastic events for us this year. To our Governors who provide me with support and guidance and ensure that the school is doing everything it can for our children. Finally, to all of our wonderful staff who work incredibly hard to ensure that every child feels special, is safe and enjoys learning and their time in school.

I hope you all have a wonderful Summer Holiday – and to those of you who are returning I will see you on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September at **8.50 am**. With all best wishes Mrs T L Good



## School Uniform

When we return to school in September I expect to see every child in school uniform including black shoes.

Children can continue to wear the summer uniform.

- Grey trousers/shorts
- Grey skirt or pinafore
- White polo shirt (with school logo if possible)
- OR Summer dress in pink gingham
- Grey socks (boys)
- Black/grey or white tights/white socks (girls)
- Black school shoes, no trainers or boots
- Burgundy Sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo (if possible)

We also have a school PE kit which everyone should have:

- Burgundy PE shorts
- White plain T shirt Unbranded
- Black/Burgundy Jogging Bottoms and sweat shirt (if required for winter PE)
- Plimsolls or Trainers for PE

<https://www.ongar-place.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Uniform&pid=57>

If you have any problems acquiring uniform please speak to the office or contact the PTFA.

## School Dinners:

Please note school dinners will be increasing to £2.90 next term. If you think you may be eligible for free school dinners contact the office.

## Year 6 Leavers

Our wonderful Year 6 are leaving today. I have many fond memories of all of them – from whenever they started at our school. Some have completed the whole 7 years, some joined us this year. They have all added to the school and all take our best wishes with them as they continue their journey onto secondary school.

On Wednesday they performed their leavers assembly for their parents and the whole school community. Their confidence, strong friendships and enjoyment in school shone through. It was lovely to see our younger children greeting them as they came in with waves and smiles.

Year 6 you are amazing. I hope you all keep a little bit of Ongar with you because we will be watching out for you and waiting to hear stories of your success and accomplishments. Every member of staff wishes all of you good luck – come back and see us soon!

### Tom Sewell Citizenship Award

Citizenship means being a caring, respectful and responsible member of a community – and at Ongar Place, it means playing a positive role in our school every day. This year our Citizenship award goes to an exceptional pupil - **Oliver**.



Oliver is a kind, thoughtful, and dependable young person who consistently puts others before himself. His warm, inclusive nature ensures that everyone around him—whether new to the school, having a difficult day, or simply needing a friend—feels supported and welcome. Oliver offers his help without hesitation or need for recognition. This generosity of spirit has not gone unnoticed.

What sets Oliver apart is his unwavering moral compass. He always does what is right, even when no one is watching. He shows excellent judgement, kindness and a strong sense of fairness in all that he does. Oliver leads by example in every situation -we know he will continue to thrive and inspire others in the years to come.

### Ongar Place Endeavour Award

The Endeavour Award is always given to someone who endeavours to do their best in everything. This year, the award is being given to someone who is always busy, trying his hardest and quietly doing his best -



#### **Edward.**

In class, Edward always wants to succeed, even when faced with challenges. He listens carefully, answers questions, has a go and uses mistakes as a stepping stone to new knowledge. Never have I known a child to be so dedicated in his quest to understand and make progress in his knowledge. Edward's 'endeavouring' hasn't just been in lessons. Whether it is PE, friendships or personal challenges, Edward has always given everything 100% of his attention and effort and almost always with a smile on his face. He is always well-mannered and polite and is an absolute credit to Ongar Place and to his family. We look forward to hearing about his future endeavours at Secondary School.

### The Sportsperson of the Year Award 2025

Being a good sportsman or woman is about more than just being good at sport. Yes, it's nice to win, but it's also important to learn how to encourage and congratulate others. The Ongar Place Sportsperson of the Year Award 2025 goes to someone who does all of these things – **James**.



James has demonstrated a fantastic attitude to all sporting events during his time in Ongar Place. He has always put 100% effort into PE lessons and always strives to do his best. He is now leading champion for Personal Best in Year 6 for the speed bounce, standing long jump, vertical jump, lap run **and** chest push. He represented the school this year for District Sports and came 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 600 metre sprint and Standing Long Jump, making it look effortless and easy. Whether he is acting in a leadership role or simply in class, James is supportive, humble, helpful, kind, positive and helps others to take part and enjoy sporting activities regardless of their abilities.

We look forward to hearing about his future sporting and leadership successes.

**Results** The SATs and tests children completed seem like forever ago, but last week we received the final scores which I am delighted to share with you. The percentages are how many children met the expected level (EXP) or achieved greater depth (GDS) and the NA is the national average.

Well done to everyone!!

EYFS	LIT	MAT	PSE	GLD
ELG Met 2025	83%	90%	97%	83%
NA 2024	70%	77%	83%	68%

Phonics	2025	NA 2024
Y1	86%	80%

KS1 SATs	Reading	Writing	Maths	Sci
EXP 2025	80%	77%	80%	93%
GDS 2024	17%	3%	10%	NA
EXP NA	71%	62%	72%	79%
GDS NA	23%	10%	18%	NA

KS2 SATs	Read	Writ	Ma	Sci	SPAG
EXP 2025	83%	69%	76%	90%	72%
GDS 2024	21%	14%	24%	NA	14%
EXP 24 NA	75%	72%	74%	81%	72%



**Rock Steady** Well done to all our Rock Steady Stars - a great performance last week!



**Nursery Assembly** – On Thursday we had our Nursery assembly and they all went on a bear hunt! Well done to everyone – what a lovely way to finish our year.