

Headlines

19th September 2025



Dear Parents

It has been another very busy week of learning at Ongar, and there are lots of exciting events coming up. Have a lovely weekend.

Uniform and jewellery

Thank you to everyone who has supported us in ensuring children have been coming to school in the correct school uniform and PE kit this term.

A reminder that our Health & Safety policy requires that children do not wear jewellery at school, except on religious grounds. **One pair of stud earrings** are allowed but must be removed for PE and swimming. School staff are not allowed to remove earrings and we request that parents take the earrings out on P.E. and swimming days to avoid injury. Children who wear earrings and cannot remove them by themselves may not take part in these activities.

Flu Vaccine

The nasal Flu vaccine is being delivered on **Friday 26th September 2025**.

E-consent must be completed by Monday 22nd September 2025. If you do not want your child to receive a vaccine, please still complete the consent form but select 'No' option.

Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy on the Governing Body for a parent governor, a letter will come out next week.

All members of the Governing Body have three strategic functions:

- developing the vision, ethos and strategic direction of the school
- holding school leadership to account for the performance of the school and staff
- ensuring sound, proper and effective use of the school's financial resources.

No special qualifications are needed to be a governor except good interpersonal skills.

If you would like to have an informal chat with either Mrs Good or one of our Co-Chairs of Governors regarding the role please do not hesitate to contact the office to make an appointment.

Mrs Brill

Mrs Brill is booked for an operation today and will be away from school for the next two weeks while she recovers. I'm sure you will join us in wishing her a very speedy recovery.

School Dates. Here are some dates of upcoming school events.

	Date	Time
Perform drama workshop	23/09/25	9.00-11.00
Sayers Croft parent meeting	24/09/25	15.30
Flu vaccinations	26/09/25	9.00-12.00
PTFA meeting	29/09/25	19.30
Family Fun Clubs SEE LETTER	30/09/25	15.20
Prospective Parents' morning	07/10/25	9.00-10.00
Y5 Fire safety visit	08/10/25	9.00-10.30
Harvest Assembly	10/10/25	14.30-15.00
Y6 football match @ Stepgates	13/10/25	14.00-16.00
Parents' Evenings	21/10/25 23/10/25	15.30 – 18.00
Half term	27/10/25 -31/10/25	

There was an error last week – sadly we don't have 3 weeks Easter holidays! They run from 27th March – 10th April

Harvest

Reception and Key Stage One will be presenting their Harvest Assembly on Friday 10th October. We also collect donations for our local food bank. If you would like to contribute to this, a list of items the food bank needs is attached and these can be brought into the school office from next week.

House Captains

We had our House Captain elections this week. On Thursday all the Year 6 children who had put themselves forward for the role met with their houses. They read out or performed their speeches to the members of the house and everyone from Year 1 – 6 had an opportunity to vote democratically for the two children they would like to represent them this year. All of the teachers who were supervising the meetings were very impressed with the speeches and the children's attitudes.

Well done to everyone who put themselves forward for the role – it takes a great deal of confidence and bravery to speak in front of your peers.

Many congratulations to the children who were voted in:

Runnymede – **Henry and Frank**
Brooklands – **Louie and Octavia**
Painshill – **Kaeson-Charles and Logan**
Wisley – **Eloise and Maisie**

