

Headlines

16th January 2026



Dear Parents

Term really feels that it has started this week and as I've walked around the classrooms I've seen children completing some fantastic work across all areas of the curriculum. I was particularly pleased to see some fantastic quizzing by one young man in Y6 – well done Elliott!

It has also been lovely to welcome our new children into Nursery and see them settling so quickly, we've got more 2 year olds than ever before but they are quickly learning the routines and taking part in the wonderful activities our early years team put together for them.

Have a great weekend Mrs T L Good

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings will be on **Tuesday 10th February and Thursday 12th February, 3.30pm – 6.30pm**. These meetings provide you with an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and discuss how your child has progressed so far this year. There will also be an opportunity to look at some of the work your child has completed this year.

We have an online appointment booking system through Scopay. This allows you to choose your own appointment times with teachers and you will receive an email confirming your appointment.

Children can accompany you into school but they must remain with you.

Bookings can be made now.

Staffing Update

I am sorry to have to tell you that Miss Pocock in our office will be leaving us later this term. Lorraine has been with us at Ongar Place for over 10 years and has successfully patched up children, seen to all our ordering, sorted out invoices, clerked for our governors and been a constant reliable presence on her days in our office school. We are very sorry to be losing her!

The roles of Admin Assistant and Clerk to the Governors are currently advertised on our website and on Eteach.

The closing day for applications is Monday 19th January at 12 noon.

<https://ongarplace.ovw2.devwebsite.co.uk/page/?title=StaffVacancies&pid=15>

Dates for your diary.

More dates will be added as we move through the term and letters will be sent about the various events. The calendar is also available on the website.

Description	Date	Time
Perform workshop YN-Y2	19/01/26	09:00 - 11:00
Sports Crew Training Y6	21/01/26	12:30 - 16:30
Y5/Y6 Girl's dodgeball	23/01/26	12:00 - 15:00
Y3 Feet First training	27/01/26	08:30 - 09:00
Full Governing Body Meeting	27/01/26	18:30 - 20:30
Panathalon	30/01/26	09:30 - 12:00
Parents Evening 1	10/02/26	3.30 – 18.30
Parents Evening 2	12/02/26	3.30 – 18.30
Y5&6 To Rose Theatre	13/02/26	09:00 - 13:30
Spring Half Term	16-20/02/26	5 days
Y5 game against Steppgates	25/02/26	14:30 - 16:00
PTFA Parent and Teacher Quiz night TBC	27/02/26	19:00 - 22:00
Family Learning Week	02/03/26	all day
Bikeability Level 2 Year 6	09-13/03/26	5 days
Rock Steady TBC	19/03/26	14:30 - 15:00
Y5 Macbeth Performance to parents in hall	25/03/26	14:00 - 15:30
Easter Holidays Finish at 1.30pm	27/03/26	
Back to School 8.50am	13/04/26	



Cricket Festival

On Thursday a small selection of children were taken from Year 1 and Year 2 to take part in the Surrey Cricket Foundation Festival. They had a fantastic time playing a variety of games in the morning to help focus on using different cricket skills such as Target Throw, Crazy Catcher, Hungry Hippos, Super Batters, Bowling Stars and Stump Strikers. In the afternoon they played Three Tee Cricket against other Surrey schools. They all behaved beautifully and worked really well as a team.

Well done to Connor H, Kit, Giselle, Belle, Beau, Aleena, Harry, Chloe, Jaxston and Verity. Thank you to the parents who stayed to help and for those who helped get them to and from this event.