

Headlines

18th September 2026



Dear Parents

It's been another busy week of learning at Ongar. We now have all of our new Chestnuts in school and they have settled in beautifully.

Have a good weekend
Mrs. T L Good



Please donate an item or two from the list to help local people left without enough money to live on.

Harvest

Reception and Key Stage One will be presenting their Harvest Assembly on Wednesday 7th October. We also collect donations from all year groups and nursery for our local food bank. If you would like to contribute to this, a list of items the food bank needs is to the right and the poster will be attached to the email. Items can be brought in to the office from next week.

Shopping list

Tinned meat

Tinned fish

Tinned fruit

Cooking Sauces

Tinned soup

Instant mash

Cereals

Fruit juice (long-life)

Sponge pudding

Custard

runnymede.foodbank.org.uk

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings will be on **13th and 15th October**. These meetings provide you with an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and discuss how your child has settled into 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. Bookings can be made from Monday 21st September at 4.00 pm.

Parents' Information sessions

Mrs Brill will be holding a curriculum meeting for parents of children in Chestnuts to explain expectations and what children will be learning this year on Wednesday 23rd September at 2.40pm.

There will also be an Accelerated Reader workshop on Thursday 24th September at 9.00am. This is for parents with children in Years 2 – 6 to find out how we use the programme and how you can support at home.



Description	Date	Time
YrR Curriculum meeting	23/09/26	14:40
Accelerated Reader Workshop	24/09/26	09:00 -10:00
Y6 Bikeability	28/09/26 - 02/10/26	
Perform Drama workshop YR - Y3	06/10/26	09:00 -11:00
Harvest Assembly	07/10/26	14:30 -15:00
Y5 Fire Safety	08/10/26	13:15 -14:30
Parents Eve 1	13/10/26	15:30 -18:00
STEM workshop Year 4 + 5	14/10/26	all day
Parents evening 2	15/10/26	15:30 -18:00
Halloween Mufti PTFA	16/10/26	08:30 -15:30
PTFA tuck shop at end of day	16/10/26	15:00 -16:00
Half Term 19/10/26 - 30/10/26		
Individual Photos	09/11/26	08:30 -13:00
Bags2School	11/11/26	08:30 -15:30
Dentist visit -Y4/Y5/Y6	13/11/26	08:30 -12:00
Sports Crew Training	13/11/26	08:30 -12:30
Year 4/5 Rose theatre	08/12/26	13:00 -17:30
KS1 Nativity	09/12/26	14:15 -15:20
KS2 Carol Concert rehearsal	10/12/26	09:30 -12:30
KS1 Nativity	10/12/26	14:15 -16:20
KS2 Carol Concert	14/12/26	17:45 -19:15
Pantomime - Wizard of Oz	16/12/26	all day
Nursery Christmas party	16/12/26	14:00 -15:00
Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day	17/12/26	all day
Christmas Holiday 19/12/26 - 03/01/27 (finish 1.30pm 18/12/27)		
High Ashurst Y5 & Y6	13/01/27 - 15/01/27	
Y3 Feet First Walking Training	28/01/27	10:00 -12:00
Half Term 19/10/26 - 30/10/26		
Notre Dame dance festival	04/03/27	all day
Easter Holiday 26/03/27 - 11/04/27 (finish 1.30pm 25/03/27)		
Bikeability Level 1	27-28/04/27	09:10 -12:15
May Bank holiday	03/05/27	all day
Half Term 31/05/27 - 04/06/27		
Last Day of Term 23 rd July 1.30pm		
26 th , 27 th , 28 th July Inset days		

House Captains

We had our House Captain elections this week. On Monday all the Year 6 children who wanted to volunteer for the role met with their houses. They read out or performed their speeches (including rap and chanting!) 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:

Brooklands: Judd and Sol

Runnymede: Amelia and Josh SW

Painshill: Penny and Francesca

Wisley: Sienna and Lily