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## Personal Best Athletics-July 2021

This week Mrs Good has been fortunate enough to work with all the classes for at least one PE lesson. With Years 1-6 the children looked at improving their athletics personal best scores that they achieved when school returned in March.

Classes took part in either 3, 4 or 5 events. Over 98% of the children made progress in at least 1 event. There were many children who made progress in all the events that they took part in. Let's hope the children will be able to stay active over the summer and continue to improve their scores next year.

Some children even improved the record for their year group. This included Declan in the Year 6 chest push, Grayson in the Year 2 standing long jump, Ronnie in the Year 4 1 lap and Callie in the Year 1 standing long jump.

## ERPSSA District Sports- June 2021

Ongar Place usually take part in District Sports in the Summer Term. This is normally held at an athletics track with over 500 children taking part along with many spectators. Last year this didn't take place but this year the event was held virtually.

Ongar Place was taking part in the small schools competition (this year there were 7 schools). There were a number of different track and field events and schools could take part in the events for which they had the facilities.

Ongar Place were able to take part in the long jump, ball throw, distance and the Year 3 sprint. This meant entering 26 events in total (out of a total 40) - we could only do the Year 6 sprint if we continued the track onto the M25!

We did very well and although there was no overall placings because of schools competing in different events I think that we were the second best school when comparing our results across just the events that we took part in.

Out of the 26 events, 20 of the events saw Ongar place either second or third, although we had no winners. The children who were placed have received certificates in school today.

Hopefully we will be able to enjoy the spectacle of District Sports for real next summer.

## September

At the moment this is what I'm expecting when we return in September:

- School will begin at 8.55am and finish at 3.20pm.
- Drop off for Years 1 –3 will continue on the grass at the front of the school.
- Year 4,5 and 6 will enter through the gate and go to the back playground
- The drive will still be one way.
- Drop off for Reception will be in the front playground.
- Children in years R-6 will be in full uniform.
- Children need PE Kits to bring into school on the first day.
- Children can bring bags.
- Children in Years 3-6 need a small full pencil case.
- Children can bring lunch boxes and snacks (fruit)
- Children should have water bottles with water – no squash.
- Hot lunches will be available.
- Some teachers will teach across classes

If there are any changes I will be in touch in the holiday.



## Ongar Place Sportsmanship Award

Last year we decided we wanted to acknowledge sportsmanship within the school. We decided that this could take the form of excellence in performance but also demonstrating the values of self-belief, passion, determination, teamwork, respect and honesty. This year the Ongar Place sportsmanship award goes to **Harvey**.

Harvey has shown a highly consistent approach to all physical activity throughout his time at Ongar Place. He has shown excellence on the football pitch- playing for the school when we were able to play. He has also performed exceptionally during virtual events that we have held.

In personal best challenges, he has always striven to give his best and at various times has held school records. His skill, technique and stamina have helped to produce fantastic performances. He has also upheld the values of the school through sport. He has been keen to help younger children on an individual basis and been a part of organising and running events wherever possible. Congratulations, Harvey.



Well done to Emily who won the Jubilee High School Revolution Art competition! She was presented with her prize by Mr Conroy. Congratulations to Evie, 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Simran and Luca who were also mentioned.