



29th April 2022



Dear Parents,

It seems we've only been back 2 minutes and we are already heading into a bank holiday weekend. No school on Monday but we will see everyone fresh and ready to learn on Tuesday.

Lots of sport this week including Nursery, who came in to use the school hall for their Bear Hunt!

Have a good weekend Mrs T L Good



Football Semi-Final

On Tuesday the football team visited Grovelands School to play in the ERPSSA Cup Semi-final. This proved to be a disappointing afternoon for children and parents who attended. Despite taking the lead Ongar are not used to playing football on a pitch which was the wrong size. As a result the home team, who were used to the conditions, got the upper hand and won 3-1 including a goal scored from a goal kick which struck the crossbar and rebounded in.

Disappointed. Next week there is a league decider-lets hope for a better result.

Panathlon Challenge

On Monday 25th April, 8 children from Years 4 and 5 visited Cleves School to take part in the Panathlon Challenge.

This is an event where the children take part in a carousel of 8 activities including boccia, table-top cricket and curling. The children scored points in each activity and were competing against 4 other schools. The team was Harry, Xavier, Owen, Bunty, Emily, Theo, Molly-Rose and Alice S. They all had a great time and represented the school beautifully. The team were given t-shirts to wear and keep. At the end of the events the points were added up and Ongar Place came in 3rd place just a point behind 2nd. For this the children were awarded a fantastic bronze medal.

Well done to everyone!

Cross Country Running Event

Last Saturday morning, Ongar Place fielded one of its largest running teams for the Cross Country event held at Notre Dame School in Cobham against lots of other schools. (Each race had between 60 and 70 runners). Years 3 and 4, boys and girls, had to brave the colder weather for the earlier race times. They also faced a new route through the forest and up-and-down a hill, twice. Both the girls and boys ran really well, all finishing close together as a team. They all agreed that it had been a hard run and most agreed that it had been fun.

Later in the morning, the clouds cleared and the sun shone for Years 5 and 6 as they contemplated a different, flatter but longer route. The Year 5 girls set off first and again lots of the team finished together with Freya finishing in a fantastic 17th. The Year 5 boys team produced the highest positions of day with Arthur and Ronnie coming in 8th and 13th respectively. Next, Maya and Susan represented the Year 6 girls, with both girls finishing close to each other. Finally, the Year 6 boys lined up for their race and yet again the boys finished close to each other with Nathan heading the group in 18th.

I would like to thank all the runners for all their efforts and the parents for their support of the teams. I look forward to lots of eager runners for next year's event.

Team members –

Year 3&4 Girls – Issy, Lily, Aimee, Isla and Ellie

Year 3&4 Boys – Sam, Ben, Keiron, David

Year 5 Girls – Ella H, Ella K, Sophie, Amelia, Mia and Freya

Year 5 Boys – Owen, Jamie, Arthur, Ronnie

Year 6 Girls – Susan and Maya

Year 6 Boys – James, Lucas W, Nathan, Oliver



Litter Pick

During the Easter Holidays, Noah in Y1 collected a big bag of rubbish on the school road and around the school gates as a way to help the environment. Well done, Noah! Please see the attached information from Mrs Luby – maybe some other families would like to join in ...

