

# Headlines

16<sup>th</sup> March 2018



## Dear Parents,

Another exciting week at Ongar with lots of different activities going on in the classes. Make sure you read the class learning letter to get a feel for what your child is up to all week and who is the star of the week.

When choosing snacks for the kids, look for 300 calorie snacks two a day max

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## Sport at Ongar

On Monday some children in Yr 5 and 6 attended a Winter Sports event called 'Dare to Believe' which was held at Guildford Spectrum. There were 8 schools present. This was an opportunity to try some different sports. We were greeted by Montell Douglas who is a British Olympian at both the summer and winter games. The children represented a country (we were Japan) and then took part in different activities that simulated different winter Olympic events. They played ice hockey, snowboarding, ski slalom and, their favourite, curling. Everybody had a great time. Ollie was awarded a special PyeongChang badge by Montel and Kimi said that she was really proud to represent her school. Thanks to Mrs Gailor and Mrs Straker and well done to everyone who took part.



## Snow Policy

Please make yourself familiar with our Snow Policy on the website which deals with what will happen if we have snow <http://ongar-place.surrey.sch.uk.gridhosted.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/Snow-Policy-Dec-16-TG.pdf>

If you did not receive a text and an email last Thursday morning please check that your contact details are up to date.

## Year 2 Assembly

Thank you to our Year 2 who presented an amazing assembly on Wednesday which told us all about the melting of the ice caps and how we could help to prevent it. The singing particularly was beautiful and every child seemed to be enjoying themselves. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who attended and to Mrs Pirie, Mrs Masey and Mrs Meyer for putting it all together.

## Family Learning

Several mums are taking part in a 3 week "cooking on a budget" course. This week we were amazed at how much we achieved in just 2 hours – stuffed chicken thighs, homemade chicken dippers and fish fingers plus apple muffins. We also learnt how much sugar is in our breakfast cereals and discovered what we thought were healthy options aren't always. So far, our biggest critics, the children have enjoyed all the recipes. There are more family learning opportunities coming up later in the year. Lorraine

## Chestnuts

Chestnuts had a fantastic trip to Gatton Park on Wednesday. They took their teddies and played lots of exciting games including musical bears and trees and the rainbow flower game. They then had a lovely picnic with their toys. The children's behaviour was amazing (as always!) Thank you very much to Mrs Brill and Mrs Mount for organising it all so well and to all the parents who came along to help.

## More Sport at Ongar ...

On Tuesday, 10 boys from Year 3 and 4 visited Xcel Centre in Walton to take part in a 6-a-side football tournament against 7 other schools. For most of the boys it was the first opportunity that they have had to represent the school at football. The standard of the competition was high. Ongar started well scoring 2 quick goals but were pegged back by local rivals Darley Dene who ran out 5-2 winners although Ongar did hit the woodwork on a couple of other occasions. They then played Holy Family (who ended up runner-up) who were very convincing and won 7-0. In the final group game Ongar played the eventual winners Burhill and put in their best performance with some great defending and goalkeeping but still lost 4-0.

The boys all took part with great spirit and kept playing hard regardless of the score. They supported each other and represented the school very well.

The squad was Adam, Thomas, Charlie P, Alfie M, Alfie S, Josh W, Theo, Ralph, Kamran and Harvey.

## PTFA News

**Don't forget the quiz night - 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

Best wishes  
Mrs Good

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## Diary

Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Cross Country
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	British Heart Foundation – Sponsored Skip
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Tag Rugby