



ONGAR PLACE PRIMARY SCHOOL EMERGENCY LOCKDOWN GUIDANCE FOR PARENTS

The safety of everyone in the school is given the highest priority. There are some occasions when it may be necessary to keep the children inside the school buildings for their safety. Examples may range from the following unexpected types of emergencies

- a dangerous dog finding its way on to the school site
- an unknown adult roaming the school grounds
- Sheltering from the fumes given off by a hazardous material spilt during an incident on one of the roads/motorway near the school.

Depending on the type and severity of the incident, Parents may be asked NOT to collect their children from school as they may put themselves and their children at further risk. You may not be able to contact the school by telephone as we will be using this to contact the authorities.

Please listen to the local radio stations for information.

Information could also be found on our school website: www.ongar-place.surrey.sch.uk

As a result of an incident your children may have to be relocated from their usual classroom to another safer place within the school, perhaps from Escott suite classrooms to the main building or from the swimming pool area to the school hall.

In the event of a chemical leak or other requirement by the emergency services to take shelter, pupils would be isolated into their classroom and all doors and windows would be shut and locked. They would remain within school until the all clear was given by the emergency services. THE FIRE ALARM WOULD NOT BE SOUNDED. The school bell will be pulsed for 30 seconds.

All children will be supervised at all times and communication with parents and carers will be re-established once the incident has been dealt with or advice given from the appropriate authorities/emergency services.

Emergency Evacuation & Sheltering off site

The Assembly point for all school evacuations would usually be the front playground. In the event of a requirement to assemble further away from the school site pupils would be escorted to Holy Family School for collection by parents and carers.

In the event of an emergency, a copy of the emergency plan, visitors book, class registers, fire book and school inventory are taken by the school secretary to the assembly point. This identifies all pupils and school visitors on site.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions

Headlines

27th April 2018



Dear Parents,

Lots of sport occurring at Ongar this week and also some excellent rehearsals taking place for our Infant Music Festival at Jubilee this afternoon and the choir's appearance at Brooklands later in the term.

Attendance

Having analysed our attendance figures for last term I was disappointed to find that attendance has slipped over the past few months. While I appreciate that winter coughs and colds kept children at home please can I stress how important it is that children attend school. If a child misses one day a fortnight over the whole of their school career they lose about a year of education!

PTFA

Bag to school.
Clear your wardrobe out and bring your filled bags on Monday 30th April

Uniform

As summer appears to have arrived, the children can now wear summer uniform if they wish:

Boys: school tailored shorts/trousers and polo top with school logo.

Girls: school tailored shorts/ polo top with school logo, pink gingham summer dress. All children should still be wearing black school shoes.

Safety

We often practice fire drills and how to exit the building safely. Today we practiced how we would keep ourselves safe from something that was happening outside. I talked to the children about how we might want to stay inside because there was a dog in the playground or if there was lots of smoke outside. The children were all very sensible and on the signal settled in their classrooms quietly and listened to their teachers instructions. Well done.

On the back of Headlines is some guidance for parents about when we lock the school in this manner.

Ongar Values - **Courage**

Sport at Ongar - Mixed Emotions

The last week in school had been very active for many of the children, particularly those in Year 5. There were three performances of the critically acclaimed dance, preparations for the rearranged cross-country and the final match of the football season.

The Under 10 football team travelled the short distance to play Holy Family in the blistering heat. The heat seemed to be one bead of sweat too much and despite having defeated Holy Family earlier in the season Ongar were well beaten by 4 goals to 1. The consolation goal coming from Alfie.

However, due to the results throughout the season the under 10 team have become Champions of the ERPSSA League (Joint with HF) – for the first time in the school's history. This along with the Under 11 winning the plate last season and the league the year before means that Ongar Place are now seen as real footballing threat in the Elmbridge and Runnymede area.

The squad through the year were Oliver W, Alfie G, Matthew K, Maddie W, Lucy W, Jordan W, Toby M and Charlie P.

Dance Festival by Rosie K

On Wednesday 18th April a group of years 3's to year 6's went to a dance festival in Haselmere. We travelled by coach and were very excited as we'd been practising for many weeks with Jess from Synergy dance company.

Once we were all inside the hall, we talked through what we were going to do and in which order we were going to perform. There were 8 schools in total and all of them had put together a dance. In our dance we had to try and show 6 values ... honesty, respect, teamwork, self believe, passion and determination. We all rehearsed our dances and then we did a workshop with the organiser of the festival.

After lunch we performed the real and final dance! As it was a festival not a competition there was no actual winner but teachers were allowed to vote for the school who they thought showed the values and they all voted for Ongar!! We were all very excited and surprised and very, very happy. Also, one person from each school got chosen for showing the values and, from Ongar, it was Amy! As we came back to school we chatted non-stop because we were so amazed. We returned to school successful and worn out. Thank you to Mr Good for organising everything, Mrs Reed and Mrs Straker for coming with us and Jess from Synergy for teaching us so well.

| Date | Description |
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| 28/04/18 | Cross Country |
| 30/04/18 | PTFA Bag to School |
| 01/05/18 | Y3/Y4 Tri Golf at TopGolf |
| 02/05/18 | Year 3 Class Assembly |
| 03/05/18 | Polling Day – School closed to children |
| 07/05/18 | Bank Holiday - School closed to children |

Look out for a tennis report next week

Have a good weekend.
Mrs Good

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