



Ongar Primary School Newsletter

Enjoy, Enrich, Achieve, Aspire

Change to next week's menu

On Thursday we will be having a special VE day picnic for lunch. This will be the only option available for lunch for that day.

VE Day Parade - Sunday 4th May

If you want to take part in the Ongar town Parade. Meet Mrs Lucky at Ongar Railway at 3pm on Sunday.

Clubs start on Tuesday 6th May

If you have signed up for one of our after school clubs, they start next week.

6th May OPAL stay and play session at 2.30pm

All parents are invited into school to see our exciting outdoor play and learning provision.

SATs week 12th - 15th May

During SATs week, year 6 children are invited to come into school early at 8.15am for a free breakfast club.

May Half Term Clubs with Essex Activate

Free spaces for Essex Activate May half term clubs went live to book on Monday 28th April 2025.

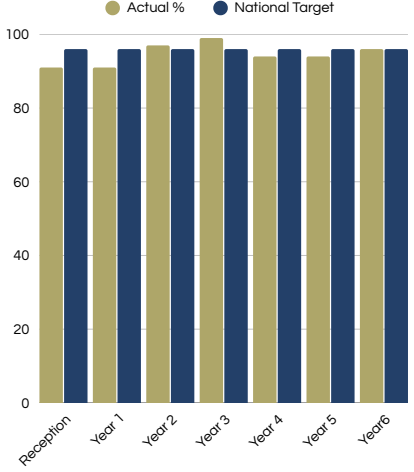
Voucher codes will not be sent or needed to book. Families can book free spaces for children on the activity finder on the website.

[Essex Activate](#) | [Active Essex](#)

Attendance

Our whole school attendance is: 96%

The national target is 96%



10 reads
Jude
Louis
Greyson
Lewis

25 reads
Louella



Donaldson - Olivia
Year 1 - Frank
Year 2 - Carter
Year 3 - Oakley
Year 4 - Savannah
Year 5 - Prophecy
Year 6 - Daisy

Next week's menu week 3 beginning 5th May 2025

Week 3	Pepperoni, Cheese & Tomato, Ham or Ham & Pineapple Pizza or Flavoured Chicken in a Wrap	Macaroni Cheese & Garlic Bread or Ham Sandwich	Chicken Pie in Gravy, Vegetables & Potatoes or Tomato Pasta	VE Day Picnic Lunch	Chicken Nuggets, Chips and Spaghetti Hoops or Homemade Cheese Quiche & Chips
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In year 2 we have been growing our own plants in Science, for each plant we have taken away a condition a plant needs to grow. We will be observing them over time to see how they grow or do not grow.



Year 3 have enjoyed starting their new topic the Ancient Egyptians. This week they learnt some really interesting facts about the river Nile!



In science this week, year 4 have been learning about sound and how sound waves can travel through different mediums. We used cup telephones to share secret messages to test this.



Year 6 have been practising their frisbee skills in PE while learning the rules of Ultimate Frisbee.

We had the privilege this week to welcome Baloo and her carer into school. Baloo was the very first 'police well-being dog' in the UK and there are now over 250. Baloo was an active police dog until she was hit by a car and lost her leg in the line of duty. She is a Belgian Malinois and has won many awards including Hero Dog of the Year at Crufts. The whole school had a special assembly in the morning where they met Baloo and then had individual class time where the children were able to ask questions about Baloo and her career. Despite losing her leg and many unseen injuries she still remains a very important part of the police force.



	May 2025		Children	Parents
5 th	Bank Holiday School Closed	All day		
6 th	Parent OPAL stay and play session	14.30		
12 th – 15 th	Year 6 SATs	am		
22 nd	Year 6 workshop	am		
23 rd	Staff v Y6 Netball Match	pm		
23 rd	Break up for Half term	15.15		
	June 2025			
4 th	Choir singing at Zinc arts	TBC		
4 th	Y3-6 mini tennis tournament	9.30-12.00		
13 th	Father's day stay and play session	14.30		
20 th	School group photos			
24 th	EYFS 2025 parents meeting	14.00 and 17.00		
25 th	KS1 district sports	TBC		
26 th	Y1 and Y2 3 Tees cricket	9-12		
26 th	Y6 information evening at The Ongar Academy	18.00		
27 th	Y6 transition day at secondary schools (Shenfiled and The Ongar Academy)	All day		
27 th	Eys and KS1 Sports Day	am		
30 th	Inset Day School Closed	All day		
	July 2025			
1 st	KS2 Athletics Festival at TOA	9.30-12.00		
3 rd	Bridge Academy Trust Sports Day at Melbourne Park	All day		
7 th	KS2 Sports Day	am		
9 th	Year 6 SEND parents Coffee morning at TOA	9.30-11.30		
9 th	Y5 & 6 performance of Oliver	17.00		
9 th	Eys 2025 stay and play sessions	10 or 13.30		
10 th	Y5 & 6 performance of Oliver	17.00		
11 th	End of year reports sent			
16 th	Bridge Academy Trust public speaking competition @ Moulsham High	All day		
18 th	Y4 sleepover at School	18.00 – 8.00		
22 nd	Y6 Leavers' assembly	10.00		
22 nd	Last Day of Term – Break up for Summer	13.00		



Sunday 4th May
Love Lane

Don't forget to look out for the OPC stall where we will be raising money for Ongar Primary School and bright stars pre-school. Our stall can be found near the kiddie rides and slides! We will be hosting lucky dips, mixed tombola and our favourite "Poo in the loo".

There will be lots of things to do and see on the field at Love lane and along the high street! Please come along to support the OPC and local community.



A GREAT FAMILY FUN DAY in ONGAR TOWN

ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT ONGAR - ALL DAY

Be sure to visit Ongar Sports Club, The Library Car Park, The High Street, Local Churches, Epping Ongar Railway & Ongar Fire Station.

Sporting Activities • Circus Acts • Dog Show • Wellness Hub Live Music & Performances • Food & Drink Stalls • Arts & Craft Market • Fairground Rides • Military Vehicle Display & Memorabilia Stalls • Ongar Petanque Competition

PLUS
80TH ANNIVERSARY VE DAY GRAND PARADE



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BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FOR AGES 4-11

Breakfast Club 7.45am – 8.45am £5 a session and includes breakfast

After School Clubs – 3 sessions are available:

3.15pm–4.15pm £5 a session and includes a snack

3.15pm–5.15pm £10 a session and includes a snack

3.15pm–6pm £16.50 a session and includes a hot meal

Club fees can be paid online, by cash, cheque, bank transfer, tax free childcare account and childcare vouchers. All fees need to be paid in advance of the session.

We provide fun, stimulating activities and ensure a flexible approach with healthy and balanced meals provided. Our clubs are OFSTED registered and run by qualified and experienced staff who are DBS checked and paediatric first aid trained.

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**FOR CHILDREN
ATTENDING
ONGAR
PRIMARY
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EMPOWER YOUR CHILD TO MANAGE THEIR EMOTIONS

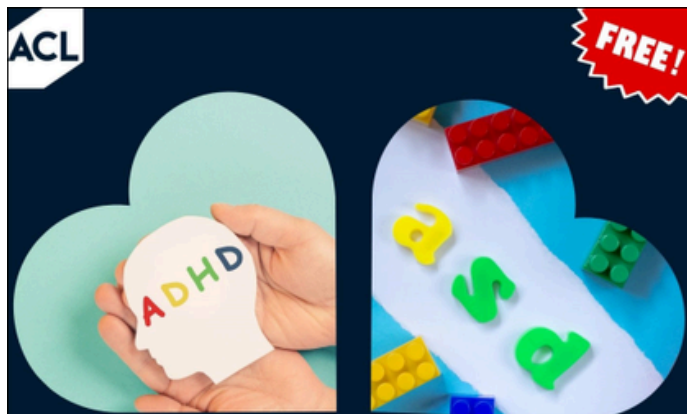
Are you a parent or carer looking to better support your child's emotional well-being? Join our sessions designed to help you understand and nurture your child's emotions.

FREE Online sessions available this May:
Managing Big Emotions, Managing Anger, Self Esteem For Teens,
Understanding Children's Anxiety, Understanding Teen Stress, Zones of Regulations.

Take the First Step Today by Signing Up!
Visit aclesssex.com and type 'emotions' in the search courses box

FREE

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ADHD & ASD: Join Our Support Network!

Are you a parent or carer of a child, or teen, with ADHD or ASD? Gain valuable insights and connect with others who understand your journey. Attend our informative online sessions to learn more about your child's needs and build a supportive community.

Upcoming online sessions this May:

- Understanding ADHD In Children
- Understanding ASD In Children
- Understanding ADHD & ASD In Children
- Understanding ADHD & ASD: Teen Boys

Don't miss out! Register today and be part of a supportive network.

Sign Up!

Visit our website aclesssex.com and type 'ASD or ADHD' in to the 'Find a course...' box

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