



Ongar Primary School Newsletter

Enjoy, Enrich, Achieve, Aspire

REMINDER

NO NUTS

We are a no nut school. Please remember this when sending in snacks and packed lunches.

NO JEWELLERY

Stud earrings are the only permitted jewellery at school.

Special Mention

to George H and Marnie for their community spirit and helping to run the OPC stall on VE Day as they gave up their time to help raise money for our school.

Year 5

11+ dates for 2026 are available.
Please check specific schools websites for their dates. Registration closes on 27th June 2025.

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. Good luck year 6!

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.

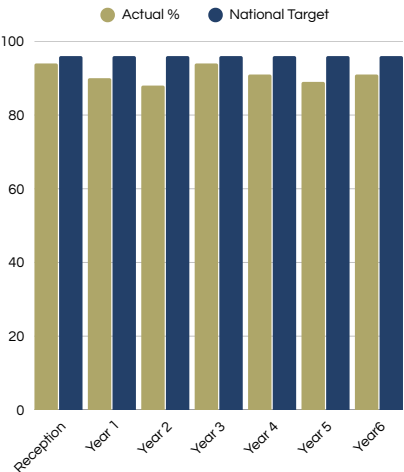
Voucher codes will not be sent or needed to book. Families can book free spaces for children on the activity finder on the website.

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

Attendance

Our whole school attendance is: 91%

The national target is 96%



50
Albie
Gracie

25
Flo

15
Connie

10
Maggie
Leo
Derin



Donaldson - Tyler
Year 1 - Simdi
Year 2 - Teddy
Year 3 - Colin
Year 4 - Charlie
Year 5 - Sonny
Year 6 - Thea

Next week's menu week 1 beginning 9th May 2025

Week 1	Margarita or Pepperoni Pizza or Ham Panini	Pasta and Beef meatballs in a tomato sauce or Jacket Potato with Tuna	Mince beef Lancashire hotpot Or Sausage Roll	Chicken Curry Rice or Cheese and Ham Panini	Chicken burger, chips and sweetcorn or Veggie fingers and chips
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In Early Years the children enjoyed having a go at some observational drawings on our Welly Walk.



This week year 5 went into year 1 and listened to them read. They were very impressed with year 1's reading skills.



Year 1 had a fantastic time learning about what in their local area were human made and physical. They took Geoff the monkey along to show him what they found. They also had a lovely time learning about VE Day and making crowns for the school street party celebration.

In year 2 we have been looking at traditional tales, we are retelling the story of Little Red Riding Hood. In groups we acted out parts of the story.



This week year 3 were investigating how water is transported around a plant. We experimented using celery and food dye to see where the water goes!



In year 4, we had a little tea party and talked about the kind of food that children would have eaten when celebrating the end of the war.



In music, Year 5 have been looking at looping and remixing. We started off by practising making our own loops on Chrome Music Lab. This week we have learned to play part of 'Somewhere over the rainbow' on keyboards.



On Thursday we had a special assembly and there were lots of different activities throughout the day to celebrate VE day including a whole school picnic lunch on the playground.



We are extremely proud of the children at Ongar Primary School and their contribution to the Ongar Town Festival on Sunday 4th May 2025 to celebrate VE Day.

The children designed artwork for Ongar High Street which was displayed in various shops, the Library and Fire Station.



The school were part of the parade which included military vehicles, Girl Guides, Local Councillors and Ongar Fire trucks.



The OPC also had a Tombola stall at the Love Lane Festival. The OPC raised a staggering £900 which will benefit all the children at Ongar Primary School.

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the tombola and to those who visited the stall. Our biggest thank you goes to our amazing OPC volunteers who give up so much of their time to fundraise for the school. We are very lucky to have such an amazing team.



	May 2025		Children	Parents
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		

NEW

EPPING FOREST FAMILY GROUP

 Every Thursday

 Brambles Family Hub,
Epping Library Building,
St. John's Road,
Epping CM16 5DN

 Join us at 10.00am 'til
11.30am each week,
term time only

Join in with our FREE Family Group

Our friendly team will be there to greet you and your family each week for stories, games, rhyme time, arts & crafts ideas and fun activities

AGES 0-4

HOME START Essex

REGISTER NOW TO BOOK YOUR PLACE 01245 847410 info@home-startessex.org.uk

Charity No: 1170940

 **G2G KARATE**

AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES

RECEPTION CLASS: MONDAYS 3.15 - 4PM
YEARS 1/2/3/4: TUESDAYS 3.15 - 4PM

16 positions available per day - First come first served basis
Term time only - Payment taken at start of each term

Come to learn self defence and boost confidence in a friendly, fun and motivational way. All abilities welcome.



KARATE CAN HELP THE SHY CHILD FIND A STRONG VOICE, THE TIMID CHILD FIND CONFIDENCE, THE OVER ENERGETIC CHILD FIND STILLNESS, AND THE DISTRACTED CHILD FIND FOCUS.

Please contact Sensei Sophie - Enhanced DBS - Level 3 Childcare Qualification

LEARN MORE: G2GKARATEBRENTWOOD@HOTMAIL.COM

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.

BOOK NOW

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FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING ONGAR PRIMARY SCHOOL

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