

# THE ONGAR ACADEMY WEEKLY BULLETIN

4<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Week Commencing Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019 will be A Week.

*We encourage parents and carers to read our Parental Bulletin every week – we use this document to inform you of all important upcoming dates and events and it is the best way for you to stay informed. Any letters sent home, upcoming and past events, celebrations, important dates and fixtures are all in one document for your convenience.*

## WORD OF THE WEEK

In the first week after Easter holidays, the word of the week will be: **Haphazard**

*Lacking any obvious principle of organization.*

Synonyms: random, unplanned, unsystematic, unmethodical, disorganized, disorderly, irregular, indiscriminate, chaotic, hit-and-miss, arbitrary, aimless, undirected, careless, casual.

We encourage you to discuss this word with your son/daughter

**YOU AND YOUR STAFF HAVE  
*transformed* THIS SCHOOL,  
YOUR TEACHERS ARE  
*inspirational* MY SON  
ABSOLUTELY *loves*  
HIS SCHOOL, AND I AM SO  
*proud* THAT *Ongar*  
HAS A SCHOOL LIKE THIS.**

PARENT/CARER AT THE ONGAR ACADEMY  
MARCH 2019

## STARS OF THE WEEK!



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STARS OF THE WEEK, WHO WILL RECEIVE A PRIORITY LUNCH PASS FIRST WEEK BACK – KEEP UP THE HARD WORK!

Year 7 – Sam Keane & Scarlett-Blaze Jacks

Year 8 – Rocco Francis & Keira Watling

Year 9 – Harry Moore & Jessica Lee

Year 10 – Jack Norman & Emma-Louise Tonge

# DATES TO REMEMBER

## FIXTURES

There are no fixtures in place as of yet following the Easter break – if any are to be announced, they will be done so via Facebook, Twitter and email.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	First Day Back After Easter Term
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Wicked – The Musical – Year 8 & 9
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Harry Potter Studio Tour – Year 7 & 8
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Basketball Reward Trip
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> - Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Paris Residential Trip
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Berlin Residential Trip

## FORGOTTEN ITEMS

We encourage parents and carers to not bring forgotten items into school. Often these items are not collected and then end up in Lost Property. Sanctions are put in place for forgotten items to encourage our students to take responsibility for their own belongings.

## Letters Sent Home

- Easter Letter from Mr Osborne
- Barcelona update
- Paris update
- Boulogne Introductory Letter
- Year 7 Parents/Carers Evening

# NOTICES

## FIRST DAY BACK

Students are expected to return to school as normal on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019, at 8:45am.

## HARRY POTTER STUDIO TOURS – 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019 – YEAR 7 & 8

If you have paid for the Harry Potter Studio Tour, and completed a medical consent form, you have secured your son/daughter's place on this trip.  
If you missed the deadline, but your son/daughter is still interested, please contact the school office and they will be placed on a reserve list.

## ENRICHMENT TIMETABLE – SUMMER TERM

Please find the updated enrichment timetable attached

## JACK PETCHEY SPEAK OUT CHALLENGE – SEMI-FINAL – RODING VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL WEDNESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – 6:00PM

All staff and students are warmly welcome to attend the semi-final of the Jack Petchey Speak Out Challenge at Roding Valley High School, Loughton at 6:00pm on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April to support our contestant, **Amelia Stanley**, whilst she delivers her inspirational speech.  
This is the first Wednesday back after the Easter holidays.

## BASKETBALL REWARD TRIP – SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019

The Ongar Academy PE Faculty are running a Recognition Trip to watch a live Basketball match; **2019 British Basketball Play-Off Finals**. Students have been chosen due to either their outstanding commitment, effort and attitude shown towards GCSE Basketball intervention during half-term, or for participating in Basketball enrichment and representing the school. Keep up the hard work!



## The Ongar Academy Vegetable Garden

Beginning this half term, some of our Year 7 students will become the founders of the first **Ongar Academy Vegetable Garden** and we need your support to make it a success. If you can help out, we are asking for donations of any of the following:

- Compost
- Spades/trowels
- Watering cans
- Garden gloves
- Seeds

Move aside BAFTA and Nobel Peace Prize! In recognition of your kind donations, your name will be added to our roll of honour to be buried in our **Ongar Academy Vegetable Garden** time capsule!

Please see Miss Renton with details of any donations

# DON'T FORGET!

## PTA INFORMATION

We would like to say a great big

*thankyou*

to our PTA, who have gone above and beyond this term.

Catering for our Parents Evenings, Options Evening, supplying snacks and treats for our students at the end of term, and helping the office by collecting and organising lost property are just some of the ways they have contributed. Thank you, Ongar PTA! Here's to much more success next term, if even possible!

## CONTACT OUR PTA



[The Ongar Academy PTA](#)



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**Ongar Lost Property**

**Facebook page**

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Our staff will endeavour to respond within **24 hours**.



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IF YOU DO HAVE ANY ISSUES RELATED TO SCHOOL WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE. WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU.