

# THE ONGAR ACADEMY WEEKLY BULLETIN

7<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Week Commencing Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 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

Next week, the word of the week will be:

**Foresight**

*The ability to predict what will happen or be needed in the future.*

Synonyms: forethought, anticipation, planning, forward planning, provision, prescience, circumspection, watchfulness, attentiveness, vigilance, prudence, care, caution, precaution, readiness, preparedness.

We encourage you to discuss this word with your child.

**DON'T LIMIT YOUR**  
*challenges,*  
**CHALLENGE YOUR**  
*limits*

## STARS OF THE WEEK!



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

Year 7 – Frankie James & Sammy Miller

Year 8 – Ted Bodium & Annabelle Smith

Year 9 – Abbie Wilson & Albert Roche

Year 10 – Kian Trotman & Hollie Christy

# DATES TO REMEMBER

## FIXTURES

No fixtures this week.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June – 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 10/KS4 Mock Examinations
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Berlin Trip Meeting – 5:30pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Boulogne Trip Meeting – 5:30pm
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 5 Taster Day – <b>Non Pupil Day</b>
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Boulogne Day Trip
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Taster Day
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Taster Day (Second Event)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 10 Work Experience
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Berlin Residential Trip
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 8 Parent/Carers' Evening
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Awards Evening
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of Summer Term <i>School closes at 12:30pm</i>



## Letters Sent Home

- Space Spectacular
- Boulogne Trip Meeting
- Leyton Orient
- Rewards Trips

## PUNCTUALITY – YEAR 10 EXAMINATIONS

Please ensure that you have familiarised yourself with your son/daughters exam timetable. Year 10 mock examinations are incredibly important; students are called into the exam hall at 8:30am. Attendance at 8:00am will allow them sufficient time to ensure that they are fully prepared for the exam.

Well done on the completion of the first week!

# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT!

Keep an eye on our Twitter and Facebook for student spotlights.

Here are this weeks highlights:

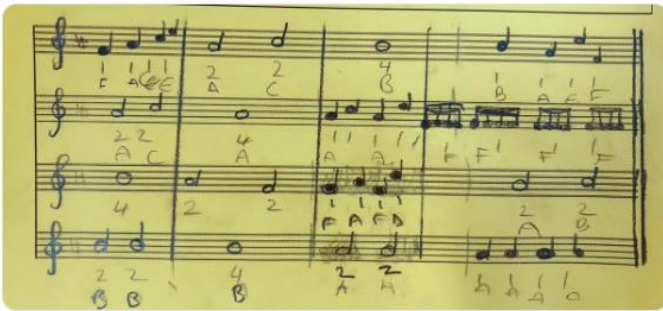


**Ongar Academy Music**

@AcaOngar

Following

This work was written in class by a girl in Year 9. She has an EHCP plan & was determined to work on her own today. She loves her Music & took pride in showing me. This girl had no help, whatsoever, & I am so proud of what she has achieved! @ongaracademysen @TheOngarAcademy #proud



**TheOngarAcademyAttendance**

@OngarAttendance

Following

100% attendance today for forms 7C, 8A, 8C, 8D, 10C & 10D! An amazing achievement. Keep up the hard work! 👍 #AttendanceMatters



**TOACreates ArtLeader KJE**

@artkje

Following

Well done to the year 10's staying back and working on their IDENTITY Project in preparation for their exam :) looking great!



**OngarAcademyMFL**

@OngarMFL

Following

The 22 who ascended the Eiffel Tower with Miss Sealy, Mr Savill and I. This really was a fantastic couple of hours, genuinely felt very happy to take these students up there.

@TheOngarAcademy 🗼️



**OngarAcademyMFL**

@OngarMFL

Following

@TheOngarAcademy time to sing! It's a small world after all. #Disneyland 🎭



# NOTICES FROM OUR COMMUNITY

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE VOLUNTEERS

Essex Libraries are inviting students aged 14 and over to volunteer in their local library during the summer holidays. Their role will be to encourage children to participate in the annual **Summer Reading Challenge** and talk to them about the books they are reading. Students can use this opportunity to gain work experience within their community and they can put the volunteering hours towards Youth Award Schemes such as Duke of Edinburgh. Volunteering will help them gain new skills and self-confidence.

The deadline for applications this year is **Sunday 16 June 2018**. Students need to be aged 14 or over, but anyone turning 14 during the summer holidays by 1 September 2019 will be accepted. Owing to a high demand for places each library has a maximum number of volunteers they require so these will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

**Please see further information attached.**

## SUMMER HOCKEY CAMPS – OLD LOUGHTONIAN'S HOCKEY CLUB

Please find attached information in respect of hockey camps that are being held at Old Loughtonians Hockey Club during the summer holidays.

## BIKE TO SCHOOL CAMPAIGN

**Bike to School Week, Healthy Eating and Child Safety** – Last week we shared a campaign bulletin from Barnado's and Virgin Care, but the dates were incorrect. Please see the amended version attached.

## FANTASTIC FREE E-COMICS FROM ESSEX LIBRARIES

You can now get free comics and graphic novels with your library card! Download and read through a browser, or on the RBdigital mobile apps.

With over 180 titles from the publishers Marvel, Disney, IDW and Dark Horse, the collection includes many popular brands that appeal to all ages, such as Star Wars, Frozen, Spiderman, Toy Story and superheroes galore!

Check out as many as you want and read them anytime, anywhere - [free comics are just a click away!](#)



# NOTICES

## PARENTS OF YEAR 10 HISTORY STUDENTS GOING ON THE BERLIN TRIP:

A reminder that there will be a parent meeting on Tuesday 11th June at 5.30pm in the school Hall to go through specific details about the Berlin trip. Please bring with you your child's passport and EHIC card.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Mr Hadley  
Head of Humanities

## BOULOGNE-SUR-MER – MEETING – WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

A reminder that there will be a parent meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 5:30pm in the school hall to go through specific details regarding the Boulogne-sur-Mer trip. Students and parents are encouraged to attend.

## SAMMY JO BRANDON FOUNDATION – EVENT FOR STUDENTS

The Ongar Academy students have been offered the opportunity to attend this event (flyer attached) - FREE! They will need to be accompanied by an adult, tickets are £5. If your son/daughter is interested, please see Miss Clark in our PE department for a ticket.

The Sammy Jo Brandon Foundation is our highlighted charity for our next academic year.

Please see their [Facebook post](#) for more information

## WISEPAY APP

We would like to remind you that The Ongar Academy has its own Wisepay app. Parents and carers can store their card details to speed up checkout, and it also provides a “quick top-up” option. For more information please refer to the flyer attached.

**Our organisation code is: 59191688**

## Wisepay - Password Reset

If you need to have your password reset for Wisepay please contact the school office.

# NOTICES

## ATTENDANCE UPDATE:

Well done 8C for 100% attendance this week! Keep up the hard work.

### FoM Awards

We are introducing the FoM Awards – Form of the Month!

The form with the highest attendance will receive treats/rewards at the end of the month. Mrs Penberthy will be monitoring attendance daily and will give daily/weekly updates to all form tutors.

Please keep an eye on the [@OngarAttendance](#) page for regular updates  
[#AttendanceMatters](#)

## SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

### Online Safety

The internet is amazing. Children can play, learn, create and connect - opening up a whole world of exciting possibilities. But with the digital world changing all the time, how can you make sure your child's staying safe?

This week's Safeguarding update for parents/carers is focused around keeping your child safe whilst online. I have attached a useful link to the NSPCC website that will outline the following guidance for parents and carers.

This link will support you in setting up parental controls, being "share aware", links to net aware that will give you information about how safe apps and games that your children are using, how to start conversations with your children about being safe online and advice about online gaming.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Ms. E. Ruffles  
Designated Safeguarding Lead

# NOTICES

## PTA UPDATE

Please see the latest PTA minutes via our website.

## BINGO NIGHT @ ZINC ARTS



Wednesday 26th June 2019 – 18:30 – 21:00

Doors Open 6.30pm, Eyes Down 7.30pm

£5 Entrance Fee

Bingo Books available: Half Book £5, Full Books £10. 100% of money taken from books sales will be prize money. Licensed bar & food available to purchase on the night.

You can purchase entrance tickets via [www.zincarts.org.uk/bingo](http://www.zincarts.org.uk/bingo), call 01277 365 626 or visit the centre. Bingo books are to be purchased on the night! Cash only on the night. Over 18's only.

Our PTA are hosting a raffle at this event, so please support them!

## PTA INFORMATION

Facebook: [The Ongar Academy PTA](#)

Twitter: [@OngarPTA](#)

Email: [ongarpta@gmail.com](mailto:ongarpta@gmail.com)

Ongar Lost Property Facebook: [Ongar Academy Uniform](#)

# DON'T FORGET!

## COMMUNICATION

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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.