

# THE ONGAR ACADEMY WEEKLY BULLETIN

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Week Commencing Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020 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

Following half term, the word of the week will be:

# EXQUISITE

**Definition:** something extremely beautiful, delicate or pleasant.

**Example:** I thought the dress she wore on the red carpet was exquisite.

*Another* IS SHE  
WHO CAN TAKE THE  
PLACE OF ALL OTHERS,  
BUT WHOS PLACE  
*no-one* ELSE  
CAN TAKE

## STARS OF THE WEEK!



Well done to our students of the week who will receive a priority lunch pass for the week following half term - Well done!

Year 7 – Christian Hollington & Wil Deller-Hendy

Year 8 – Harrison Lamb & Carys Murrey

Year 9 – Scarlett Myers & Rose Farley

Year 10 – Jake Divall & Stanley Pyke

Year 11 will resume after Mock Week

# DATES TO REMEMBER

All dates noted below are subject to change, we will ensure to notify parents and carers of any changes immediately as they are confirmed.

## FIXTURES

Date	Fixture
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 8 Rugby @ West Hatch
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Netball v King Harold @ home
	Y8 Football v Debden Park @ home
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 9 Football @ Debden Park

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 9 Options Evening
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 9 Vaccinations
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Last day of Spring term <b>School closes at 12:05pm</b>
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Year 11 Exam Ready Information Evening
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Jack Petchey Speak Out Challenge – Regional Final
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Normandy Residential Trip
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Stratford-upon-Avon Residential Trip
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Seville Residential Trip
<b>Please note: Overseas Trips TBC at a later date.</b>	

# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Each week, we pick the highlights from our student's achievements on Twitter and share them here. Here are this week's highlights:



**Mr G Pullen**  
@MrGPullen

The skills of HK from his Food exam, ft. Puff pastry from scratch. I look forward to visiting your chefs table in the future! 🤔😊👍🍷

@TheOngarAcademy  
#SchoolofChoice

**WOW!**



**Mr Camillo @ Ongar Academy Music**  
@AcaOngar

I am so proud of my Year 10 GCSE Music students. 2 years ago - most of them didn't play instruments. And tonight they not only performed challenging pieces, but performed to each other, their parents and external examiners for Mock performances. I am so pleased!

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**The Ongar Academy**  
@TheOngarAcademy

13 of our students braved the cold on Saturday to prepare for their @DofE Bronze expedition - nearly there now!

#DukeOfEdinburgh2020 #NurtureEnrichInspire



**The Ongar Academy**  
@TheOngarAcademy

SCIENCE ON TOUR

Oobleck! Cornflour & Water Solution.

N/B Hand sanitising facilities were available!

@MrGPullen @TechniciansToa



**Miss A Taylor**  
@MissTayMFL

How wonderful to see our Year 10 Music students perform their GCSE pieces this evening. What a true testament to their dedication and hard work playing an instrument is. Well done to all! 🌟

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# PLEASE NOTE...

## **YEAR 9 VACCINATIONS (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**

Year 9 Vaccination forms have been given out and must be returned to the school office as soon as possible. Vaccinations are on **Friday 27th March.**

## **DISNEYLAND PARIS TRIP**

Please note that this trip has been cancelled. We will notify you regarding other overseas trips at a later date.

## **LETTERS SENT HOME THIS WEEK**

### **Links to Documents Below:**

- [Easter Aspiration Sessions](#)
- [School Trips Abroad and Extra Precautions](#)
- [Update From ECC and Mr Osborne](#)
- [Year 11 – Exam Ready Information Evening](#)
- [In the Event of a School Closure](#)

## **CORONAVIRUS UPDATES**

Please see the Government's [Guidance in an Educational Setting](#), which we are following. As Mr Osborne has been doing this week, we will continue to keep parents and carers updated. Letters are all available on our website, [here](#).

## **DONATIONS**

We are always looking for donations to our school and library, but in particular, we are looking for books related to sports and music and spare uniform for spillages etc. We are desperate for skirts. All donations to the school office greatly appreciated.

## **KARATE CLUB – REGISTER INTEREST**

With sufficient interest, we may run a karate club, with an external trainer. If your son/daughter is interested, please let us know.

## **ESSEX CHILD & FAMILY WELLBEING SERVICE – CAMPAIGN BULLETIN - MARCH**

The Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service (ECFWS) is delivered by Virgin Care Limited in partnership with Barnardo's, to deliver children and family services across Essex, including local children's community health provision. Services are commissioned by Essex County Council and West Essex CCG, and work closely with partners within education to change outcomes for children and young people.

Every month, they promote and support specific local, national, and international campaigns by providing information and resources to schools, communities, and organisations that can improve health and wellbeing for all. The campaigns are interactive with real-life practical learning examples, including web links to resources. These can be used in the classroom or at home.

Our focus this month is on Child Exploitation. Please see their campaign bulletin attached.

# DON'T FORGET!



## PTA INFORMATION

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

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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.**