



Ark Bentworth Primary Academy

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A message from the Head of School

It has been a happy and successful week at Ark Bentworth. As you may be aware, I have stepped in to cover the role of Head of School whilst Ms Cruddas is taking part in Jury Service. Thank you for the warm welcome you have given me; it has been wonderful to be a part of the friendly community that exists at Ark Bentworth once again.

Today we are celebrating Red Nose Day! It was fantastic to see so many splashes of red on our uniforms as children entered the school this morning. We will share the grand total raised next week for Comic Relief, which supports projects in both the UK and Africa.

Reception have had some exciting fluffy visitors in their class this week; six ducklings have been eagerly looked after by the children. The ducklings will return to the farm today and I know will be sorely missed by us all!

End of term assessments have taken place this week for Years 1, 3, 4, and 5 and will continue next week for Years 2 and 6. Can I use this opportunity to remind you how crucial your child's attendance is at the end of term so this important step in their learning is not missed.

Next week, we look forward to inviting you to our class showcases. I know the children have been busily preparing to share their learning with you so please make a note of the timings for your child's year group.

On a final note, I am sure that we all share the horror, sadness and disgust following this week's terrorist attack in Westminster. Teachers have provided opportunities for children to share their worries and concerns in class and discussed the topic in an age-appropriate way. Our focus has been on offering reassurance to children and reminding them of the ways in which we keep them safe.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Gemma Grierson



Attendance

Winner of the class attendance award this week is...

1st was Year 5 with 95.7%
2nd was Reception with 95.3% and
3rd was Year 3 with 95.26%.

This week's attendance was: **90.69%**.
Year to date attendance is: **94.49%**

This week's 100% Attendance winner of the week is...

Ibrahim Zaglam

100%

Congratulations!

Spring B Value

Honesty

We speak the truth and act in a way we know is right.

Birthdays

Nursery:

Reception: No birthdays this week

Year 1: No birthdays this week

Year 2: No birthdays this week

Year 3: Layton Brown, Fajr Lafeville

Year 4: Kayan Safi

Year 5: Lana Aljuaid

Year 6: No birthdays this week

Star Awards

Reception	The whole class!
Year 1	Shai Shodeine-Mackay
Year 2	Soraya Al-Assam
Year 3	Abdallah Abdirahman
Year 4	Chyna Alleyne-Gaynor
Year 5	Surai Ellis
Year 6	Shay Malon

Well done to all the children!



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Front Office

The following will be the days that you can order and pay for things in the front office:

Uniform ordering day: Tuesdays

Uniform pick-up day: Thursdays

Dinner money pay day: Mondays & Fridays

End of the School Day

Just a little reminder that the school day finishes at 3:30 p.m. If you know that you are going to be late then can you please make sure that you inform the office. We have an after school club that runs until 5pm. This is £4 per day. Many thanks.

2017/2018 Year Dates

I am pleased to announce that the new academic year dates have been finalised. Please get a copy from the School Office.

Ordering Lunches

A reminder to please involve your children in choosing their meals when ordering their school lunches. We want children to enjoy eating their lunch and to be happy with what they have selected to eat.

Breakfast Club

Please don't forget that from Monday 13th March 2017 you will need to sign up your child/children for Breakfast Club. We have had such a huge response that we need to keep an eye on the numbers from a safeguarding point of view. If you have not booked, and your child just turns up you will be charged £1.00 per child. Please sign up with the office.

Website

You will find all our policies; for example our Behaviour, Curriculum & Safeguarding Policies, on our website www.arkbentworth.org

Key Dates

Friday 31st March – School finishes at 1.30pm

Easter Holidays – Monday 3rd April – Tuesday 18th April 2017

Wednesday 19th April 2017 – Summer term begins

