



## Message from the Assistant Headteacher

11th October

The weather has suddenly taken a colder turn, and there is definitely a much more autumnal feeling in the air—it is October!

October is traditionally Black History Month, so each class will be taking part in a small project to learn about a famous person who has made a difference to Black History. We would definitely welcome any contributions from parents, for example by supporting your child in doing their own research at home.

In addition to this, next week is also Dyslexia Awareness Week, so we have a special assembly planned for the children. If you have any particular questions regarding dyslexia, please feel free to speak to Miss Grasso, our SENCo.

Have a lovely weekend.

## Parents Open Evening

We would like to remind you that Parents Evening will be held on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd October from 3.40—6.30.

It is our expectation that every parent meets the class teacher to discuss their child's progress so far this term.

If you haven't already done so, please make an appointment through the office, either in person or by telephone.

## Eid

We are expecting many families to be celebrating Eid next week. If you are planning to keep your child off school for the celebration, please be aware that we will only be granting one day authorised absence for a Religious Holiday.

## Football Team

Bentworth's Football Team attended their first match last Friday. They all left the school with lots of excitement and determination, only to arrive at the venue and find that the other school's team hadn't been able to make it!

Despite the disappointment, they still played a match against each other in a proper football court, and have obviously gained the 3 points for 'winning' by default. We hope they will be able to properly prove themselves at their next match. Obviously we will keep you updated on their progress!

## Year 6 Junior Citizens

On Thursday, Year 6 took part in the Hammersmith and Fulham annual 'Junior Citizenship' project. They spent the day at the Linford Christie Stadium taking part in different activities. The children learnt how to act in different situations they may experience as they grow up including witnessing a robbery, a house fire, finding suspicious packages on buses, internet safety and what could happen if they ever accept things from strangers! The day was extremely exciting yet educational and ended with a show stopping display of a chip pan fire from the local fire department!

## Zumba

There have been a few 'teething problems' in getting Zumba sessions started up again this year, and apologies for those dedicated ones amongst you who have been turning up to sessions. As of next week, Zumba will be taking place on **Wednesdays** again. They will be held in **the school hall from 9-10am**.

## Toys from home

We have recently had lots of children bringing in small toys from home. We would like to ask all parents and carers to be particularly vigilant to ensure that no toys are brought in from home, as we would not like any toys to be lost or broken whilst at school. If any toys are found in school, they will be looked after by an adult and returned to the child's parents at the end of the school day.

## Healthy Eating Talk

We would like to invite you to a Healthy Eating and Nutrition Talk by the School Nurse next Friday at 9.30, straight after the Celebration Assembly. You will be able to ask any questions you have as part of this meeting.

## RWI workshops

It was great to see so many parents attend our series of Read, Write, Inc. workshops where advice and guidance was given on how to support the learning of phonics and the acquisition of early reading skills.

If you weren't able to attend any of the workshops offered, but would like more information on how to support your child in learning to read, feel free to approach Mrs Marshall, our RWI Lead or visit the RWI website.

## School Uniform Reminder

We expect all our staff and pupils to be smartly dressed each day and have therefore laid out a clear school uniform policy outlining our expectations.

As the weather is getting colder, we are expecting children to be dressing more warmly.

Your child is expected to be wearing smart black shoes when in school. Please make sure that these are sturdy and keep your child's feet warm as *boots are not allowed*.

It is fine for your child to wear proper trainers (preferably black) for outdoor PE sessions, but please do not send football boots with studs in for your child, as these are not appropriate for our playground surface and can seriously hurt others.

Finally, we would like to remind parents of girls with long hair that this should be tied back in a neat pony tail.

If you have any further questions about our uniform policy, please ask for a copy from the school office.

## School Photographer

The school photographer will be in on Thursday 17th October to take all children's individual photographs. You will be able to order photographs once these have been processed.

## Parent Taster Session

We would like to invite all parents to take part in a Food Tasting Session to try our delicious new School Dinners on Friday 18th October at 12.00—12.45.

## Attendance

Winner of the class attendance award this week is **Manchester** with **99.3%**, **2<sup>nd</sup> is Roehampton** with **99.2%** and **3<sup>rd</sup> are Northumbria** with **99%**. Our whole school attendance for the week is **96%**. At ARK Bentworth Primary Academy we are aiming to exceed our target of 96%. Please support us in achieving this goal by ensuring

## Birthday wishes to :

**Rec:** Suhaib 5

**Year 1:** Mahdi 6

**Year 3:** Aliya 8

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

## Celebration Assembly:

**Next Friday at 9.10am**

**Come and join us!**



## STAR AWARDS



Reception	Yunus El-Majdoub
Year 1	Nadine Banimis
Year 2	Abdalmohmen Almonster
Year 3	Joury Alsolai
Year 4	Josh Imperatice
Year 5	Romarnie Lovell
Year 6	Blondel McCarthy-Davis

## Next week's value:

**Ambition**



## Stay & Play Cancelled for Eid

Due to Eid celebrations taking place on Tuesday 15th October, Stay & Play will be cancelled for next week only.

Please pass on the message to any friends and neighbours.