



Message from the Head of School

1st May 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to inform you that Ark Bentworth has been successful in securing over **£60,000 worth of funding** to make improvements to the school site! This money will allow us to carry out 3 important projects over the course of the year.

In the May half term holiday we will be refitting the Key Stage 1 boys toilets to improve the look and feel of the space.

In the summer holidays we are going to be carrying out major works in our school playground. The perimeter fence around the playground is due to be replaced as it is beginning to rot in places. We are also going to resurface and redesign the half of the playground where the rubber matting is beginning to deteriorate.

The funding we are receiving will allow us to resurface this half of the playground in a much more creative way, creating a play space that inspires children's imagination and promotes social, engaging play. We are currently also putting together a bid to secure an extra £10,000 worth of funding from the National Lottery to make this space even more inspiring—we hope to add planters with trees to create shade and a theatre area where children can take part in performances and story telling. The design illustrated here is just an example of what the finished half of the playground may look like. The second half of the playground will remain an open space for sports clubs and PE lessons. We will keep you updated on our progress.

Finally I would like to remind you about our community event next week. Our school governors will be in the hall after school on Wednesday and will be interviewed briefly by the School Council before having an opportunity to chat to parents. Please do come along and say hello! We will also be holding a cake sale in the hall to raise money for the earthquake crisis in Nepal. Any money raised will be sent to Oxfam to support with emergency relief in the affected areas.

Wishing you all a wonderful bank holiday weekend,



Important Dates

Parents invited to meet the Governors social event in the hall after school and cake sale

Wednesday 6th May:

Monday 4th May: Bank Holiday

Thursday 7th May: School closed for polling day

11th-15th May: Year 6 SATS week

18th-22nd May: Assessment week Years 1-5

25th-29th May: HALF TERM

10th-12th June: Year 6 Residential

15th July: Sports Day

20th July: Year 6 Leavers Assembly

20th July: Bentworth Summer Fun Day!

Ark Bentworth Community Event!

Wednesday 6th May

3.30pm in the hall



Meet the School Governors & Cake Sale!

Children from the school council will be interviewing our school governors and there will be an opportunity for you to talk with the governors yourselves.

We will also be holding a cake sale – any cake donations from home would be most welcome.

Raising money for the
Nepal Crisis



Healthy Eating Workshop

Dear Parents

We are going to hold a 'Healthy Eating' morning workshop with the **school nurse, Laura Webb**. It will involve understanding what a healthy diet is and how you can encourage your child to try new foods. The nurse will also be able to answer any questions you have about your child and their eating habits.

The workshop will be held on **Friday 22nd May 2015** after assembly with fruit and juice as refreshments. We hope to see you there.



Attendance

Winner of the class attendance award this week is **Oxford Brookes** with **98.0%** and **2nd** was **Clarke** with **97.5%** and **3rd** is **Cumbria** with **97.2%**. Our whole school attendance for the week is **97.0%**. At ARK Bentworth Primary Academy we are aiming to exceed this target. Please support us in achieving this goal by



Star Awards



Reception	George Horne
Year 1	Tori Barr-Levi
Year 2	Amire Banimis
Year 3	Lano Shally
Year 4	Asma Gallul
Year 5	Kacie Smith
Year 6	Brooke Zammit

Birthday wishes to:

Year 1: Ali Milad

Year 3: Zakaria Takarli

Year 5: Adna Askar

Year 6: Rayan Ouslimani



Value of the Week

When we return we will be focusing upon

Determination

100% Attendance Winner of the week!



Zakaria Takarli

