



Message from the Headteacher

13th September 2013

It looks like Autumn has arrived with wet, grey mornings most days this week. However, there is a wonderful atmosphere in the school at the start of our new term. The children have settled in well and their behaviour in and around school is absolutely fantastic.

I urge parents to ensure that their children are at school on time; lessons start at 9:00am and if your child is late they will miss out on important learning time.

It has been great to meet and speak to most parents on the gate in the mornings, but if you haven't yet said hello then please come and introduce yourselves. I am very keen to build on the strength of the Bentworth community; your input and support are important to drive this school forward. I welcome your ideas and feedback for how we can continue to improve.

Have a wonderful weekend.

PE days

PE will continue to be delivered by qualified coaches and lessons are on the following days:

Nursery:

Wednesday (afternoon Nursery)

Friday (morning Nursery)

Reception: Tuesday

Year 1: Monday & Tuesday

Year 2: Monday & Friday

Year 3: Monday

Year 4: Wednesday & Thursday

Year 5: Thursday

Year 6: Friday

Whether your child has one or two PE sessions a week is dependent both on your child's age and the length of the sessions they receive. Please make sure your child has their PE kits on the relevant days, alternatively your child can leave their kit in school for the week and take it home on a Friday to be washed.



Cold Weather

The weather is beginning to turn colder, so the children will need to start wearing warmer clothes. Please make sure that your child attends school with their school jumper and a jacket or coat, and that these are *clearly labelled* with your child's name and class.

It is highly recommended that your child wears tracksuit bottoms and a jumper for PE, especially for outdoor sessions. These must be navy and plain, but do not have to be purchased from the school office.

Clubs Update

After-school enrichment clubs will be starting next week. **Please note that Football Club is now run on Thursdays, not Tuesdays.** The children will be training for a boys or girls team and will be taking part in football matches with other Hammersmith & Fulham schools throughout the year. More details to come in how you can support ARK Bentworth's teams!

Choir will also be starting next week. This is available for Year 4, 5 and 6. The club will run on Tuesdays from 3.15—4.15 and is free of charge.

There are still spaces available for most clubs, so please ask in the office if your child has not joined a club yet.

Parent Clinic

If you wish to discuss any issues with the Headteacher, he will be available for 10 minute sessions, every Wednesday between 09:00-10:00. You do not need an appointment for this.

French lessons

We are very excited to be starting French lessons this term! These will begin in Year 3 and will spread across other year groups through the year. Lessons will be taught by a Modern Foreign Language specialist teacher from our link school, City of London Boys School.

Attendance

Winner of the class attendance award this week is **Year 4 with 92%**. Our whole school attendance for the week is **89%** At ARK Bentworth Primary Academy we are aiming to exceed this. Please support us in achieving this goal by ensuring that your child is at school by 8.55am each morning and attends every day.



Celebration Assembly:

**Next Friday at 9.10am
Come and join us!**



Stay & Play

Stay & Play sessions will start again next week. These sessions are for parents with babies, toddlers and small children at pre-school age.

The sessions are on Tuesdays in the school hall from 9.00—10.00, and are totally free.

There is no requirement for having siblings in the school, so please pass the message on to friends and neighbours in the local community.



STAR AWARDS



Reception	Amin Naase
Year 1	Adam Habak
Year 2	Surai Ellis
Year 3	Hyba Mahmoud
Year 4	Muhanat Abshir
Year 5	Samuel Usaide
Year 6	Reggie Sinclair-Wegener

Birthday wishes to:

Nursery: Chloe Cross
Reception Amin Naase & Hassan
Abdirahman
Year 4: Hyba Mahmoud
Year 5: Ahmed Ibrahim



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Zumba

Zumba classes will be resuming again soon! This will all depend on the numbers attending. Please could you register with the office if you want to attend the classes.

All parent/carers welcome. Each session will cost £2.



Next week's Value: **INSPIRATION**

**Winning isn't everything, but wanting to win is.
By Vince Lombardi**