



Message from the Associate Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been an exciting and busy half term at ARK Bentworth with lots of interesting new changes to our curriculum.

Children are enjoying weekly Sports, Health and Fitness lessons and getting involved in independent learning challenges on our new classroom tablets!



The results of our school assessments last week are now in and we are delighted to report that progress is looking fantastic across the whole school. A lot of the progress we are seeing in classes is accelerated. This means children are learning at a faster rate than children across the rest of the country. Well done to the staff and pupils who have all been working extremely hard to achieve these impressive results.

We have also had a visit from Read Write Inc. this week, monitoring the teaching of phonics across the school. Karinne Faddy the visiting consultant trainer was impressed with the high expectations of staff at ARK Bentworth and the good behaviour she saw throughout the school. She commented on the wonderful enthusiasm children and teachers have for phonics and reading. Well done everyone!



Finally a big thank you to everyone who has got involved in our school community cookbook project. There have been lots of delicious recipes pouring in! See below for more information on what happens next term and if you still would like to submit a recipe it's not too late to email it in over the holidays.

Cookbook Photo Shoot!

FRIDAY 28th
February



Thank you to everyone who has sent a recipe in for the ARK Bentworth Community Cookbook. On the first

Friday back after half term we are inviting children and parents to bring in the dishes they have written recipes for so they can be photographed with their food and the picture can then be included in the cookbook next to their recipe!

Please bring your dishes into school with you in the morning and we will take the photographs after the celebration assembly. Don't worry if your dish is cold and should be hot, it will still look good in the photograph! We will then have a tasting in the hall where parents and families can share and taste each others dishes.



ARK Bentworth is a healthy school!

As part of our new Sports, Health and Fitness Curriculum we are teaching children to be healthy in all aspects of their lives.

We want to ask parents and families to support us in this mission by not providing cakes or party bags for children's birthdays.

We celebrate all children's birthdays on a Friday by singing happy birthday to them in assembly and all parents are welcome to join in this celebration with us.

If you would like to do something further you are welcome to bring in some fruit for your child's class to share.

Please help teachers by making sure it is easy to share.



ARK Bentworth School Choir

The school choir had an exciting day out yesterday performing in the ARK Network 'Sing into Spring' event. Children travelled to ARK All Saints Secondary School and spent the morning singing songs with children from other ARK primary and secondary schools. The children have been rehearsing songs such as Desree 'Gotta Be' in school in preparation for this event and were excited to experience the feeling of singing in such a large group. In the afternoon children took part in a singing workshop and made up their own song with Burlington Danes Academy which they then performed in front of everyone. Well done to all children in the ARK Bentworth school choir!



Attendance

Winner of the class attendance award this week is **Northumbria** with **98.0%**. **2nd** was **Roehampton** with **97.8%** and **3rd** is **Manchester** with **95.7%** and **Oxford Brookes** with **95.7%**. Our whole school attendance for the week is **95.6%**. At ARK Bentworth Primary Academy we are aiming to exceed this target. Please support us in achieving this goal by ensuring that your child is at school by **8.45am** each morning and attends every day.

Celebration Assembly: Next Friday at 9.10am

Come and join us! All parents are welcome.

Water Bottles

Please make sure children only bring water, not squash or juice, in their bottles for the classrooms. Thank you.



Value of the Week

Next week we will be focusing upon
Determination
and how we strive to do our best.

Zumba

Due to a difficulty in finding an available time slot for Zumba to take place in our school hall, Melissa our Zumba teacher is going to be relocating the class to a nearby location on Monday mornings.

If you are interested in taking part in her exciting healthy classes please give her a call on 07966767106 or email melkevon@aol.com



**100 % Attendance winner of
the Week!**

Maghfira, Year 4

STAR AWARDS



Reception	Glory Panzout
Year 1	Fareis Milad
Year 2	Surai Ellis
Year 3	Chloe Norris
Year 4	Erika Evangelista
Year 5	Hagar Abou- Zaid
Year 6	Omar Hersi

Birthday wishes to :

Rec: Sherya & Yunes 5
Year 1: Micah 6
Year 2: Yousef & Sulayman 7
Year 3: Tia 8
Year 4: Aflah
Year 6: Roman & Maymuna

