



Message from the Associate Headteacher

28th March 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

Spring has sprung and we are getting close to the Easter holidays. Don't forget that 100% attendance is vital over the next 2 weeks as children complete their end of term assessments to demonstrate all the learning and progress they have made across the past term.

New Reading Records

You may have seen the new reading records children have been sent home with this week. We are really excited about encouraging children to read more widely at home and we hope the reading records will support children with tracking their home reading.

It is crucial that all parents are listening to their children read. Even if your child is a free reader and already fluent, spend time with them talking about the book they are reading and making sure they understand what they have read. Asking children's opinions of the books they are reading and what they would like to read more of is a good way to encourage reluctant readers. Remember, reading comics and newspapers still counts as reading!

Don't forget to sign the reading records so children can have their books changed each week. If you would like your child to have more books to read each week just add a note in the reading record.



International Food Market

We are very much looking forward to the international food market next Friday 4th April at 2 o'clock. Everyone in the community is invited. If you enjoy cooking please bring a dish to be sold on our parent's food stall. Otherwise come along and spend some pennies on the children's market stalls. Classes will be working hard all of next week designing and cooking for their stalls. All proceeds will go towards new books for our children's classrooms and the class which makes the most money on their stall will win £50 to spend on books of their choice!

I look forward to seeing you all there. Have a great weekend,
Gemma Grierson



Primary talk

I have sent out a letter about our steps towards 'ICAN' accreditation. It is really important that we know about our parents/carers views. Please complete the questionnaire and send it back to either the office or your child's class teacher. Many Thanks.

Miss Grasso

Question of the week:

If you won the lottery, what would you spend the money on and why?

Easter Holiday Club for Years 3-6!



We are delighted to welcome back 'The Whole Picture Sports, Art and Health Holiday club' this Easter holiday. It will be running for 8 days starting on Monday 14th April (excluding the bank holiday weekend), from 10am - 2pm.



The club is free and there are a maximum of 60 places a day so children will be taken on a first come first served basis. Children will need to be provided with a pack lunch.

Danny and Nicole who are running the club will be outside school at home time on the 2nd April if you would like to sign up and show your interest for all or some of the days.



Year 6 Children's parliament - Winners of the Research Award!

"Over the past few weeks, Year 6 have been working hard on a project for the Hammersmith and Fulham Children's Parliament event. Our class topic was about the local Grand Union Canal and neighbouring Kensal Green and St Mary's cemeteries. In preparation, we embarked on a discovery trail along the canal and through the cemeteries. We then spent sessions pulling everything together for the final event.

Yesterday, 8 children from Year 6 went to the town hall and presented our findings to other schools from the local area. We were then asked questions and also had to ask questions about the presentations from the other schools.

We came second in the competition and also won the research award for our hard work and attention to detail!"

Miss Monte, Year 6 Teacher



Reception's visit to Odd's Farm



"On Tuesday 25th of March Reception ventured off to Odds Farm to learn about different animals and see how they grow. The whole day was full of

adventures, with our first coach trip the excitement was bubbling over from the moment we sat down. Arriving at the farm we had a safety talk about how we behave around the animals, and of course that you need



to wash your hands after touching any of the animals. We spent the day learning about how they milk a cow, trying our own hand at bottle feeding baby goats, and then we got to pet so many of the amazing animals, including goats, bunnies, cows, pigs, and sheep! It was a fantastic day and we had so much fun! We can't wait until our next adventure. "



Miss Calvert, Reception Teacher

Attendance

Winner of the class attendance award this week is **Northumbria** with **99%**. **2nd** was **Roehampton** with **98%** and **3rd** is **Oxford Brookes** with **97%**. Our whole school attendance for the week is **96%**. 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.

Value of the Week

Next week we will be focusing upon
Determination

And how we strive to do our best

100 % Attendance winner of the Week!



STAR AWARDS



Reception	Younus Lechibi
Year 1	Brooke Miles
Year 2	Yousef Abou-Zaid
Year 3	Ellie Ryan
Year 4	Mascoud Kulmie
Year 5	Ismail Raflay
Year 6	Maymuna Jaaweli

Behaviour outside school

Children at ARK Bentworth understand that when they are wearing our uniform they are representing our school even after the school day has finished and they are on their way home.

If you witness any unacceptable behaviour from our children on your way home please do not hesitate to inform Mrs Grierson so it can be dealt with appropriately.

Birthday wishes to :

Rec: Fajr 5
Year 4: Talha 9
Year 5: Samuel M 10
Year 6: Madeeha 11

