



# Ark Bentworth Primary Academy

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## A message from the Interim Head of School

Welcome back to the first official newsletter for 2016! The children have returned to school with a real positive attitude to their learning. This is a very short half term so we need to make sure that we maximise all learning time.

In order for children to make the most of the excellent opportunities Ark Bentworth has to offer, they need to be in school! As the colder weather starts to bite, coughs and colds will start to appear. Attendance will always play a very important part in your children's education but the health of your child is as important. Please do ensure your child comes to school with a coat, a hat and gloves so that they can also keep wrapped up during break times.

Nursery, Reception & Year 6 have already been busy going on class trips. Nursery went to the British Museum to look at animals as part of their topic. Reception visited the Farm in Kentish Town and Year 6 visited the Thames Water plant in Iver. Using our environment is so important as it enriches the curriculum and may give children ideas to a career in some of these industries. There are many more trips planned for the Spring Term and we will always keep you updated via our social media links.

Many of you may have seen news articles about the school over the past week referring to the fantastic news about the schools performance. There was also an article about us officially now being recognised as a Microsoft Associate Showcase School. These accolades are important for our school and these recognitions wouldn't be possible without your support, so thank you.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

*Moira Cruddas*



## Attendance

Winner of the class attendance award this Week is: **Manchester** with **99.3%** and **2nd** is **Prairie View** with **98.6%** and 3rd is **Clarke** with **97.2%**.

Our whole school attendance for the week is **95.4%**. 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.

100% Attendance winner of the week is:  
**Jabir Dahir**  
**Congratulations!**

## Value of the week

Next week our value is...

**Ambition**

*Aiming High, Achieving Together*

## Birthdays

**Reception:** No birthdays this week

**Year 1:** Zara Hammad, & Chantaye Hughes

**Year 2:** Maryam Almontarer, Ashraf Takarli, Lina Almaroof, Younus Lechibi, Tariq Mohmmmed

**Year 3:** William Ali

**Year 4:** No birthdays this week

**Year 5:** Saalah Mahamed & Asma Gallul

**Year 6:** Sofia Abreu & Aisha Ali

## Star Awards

Reception	Yara Ibrahim
Year 1	Shadi Fallatah
Year 2	Macy Stratford
Year 3	Baraa Al-Hawsawi
Year 4	Abdalmoamen Almontaser and Dylan Cadio-Viera
Year 5	Holly Quilligan
Year 6	Andrew Welsh



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## Notices

### Mrs Benjamin

From January 2016, Mrs Benjamin will be working on a part-time basis. She will be in school Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Her main focus will be on fulfilling the SENCO role at Ark Bentworth.

### Safeguarding

If you need to have your child collected by another adult can you ensure that the office staff are informed at all times. The office staff will generate a password with you so the adult collecting your child can use this to collect them from their class. If your child goes home on their own please do encourage them to go straight home first. Please do make sure that you have completed the Home Alone Consent form for the office.

### PE & Footwear

Please can we remind you that children should be wearing black trainers or plimsolls for PE. We have noticed that coloured trainers are creeping; this is not school policy. If you are having difficulties sourcing new black trainers please do not hesitate to speak to the office or Ms Cruddas.

### Nail Varnish

Please can we also remind you that coloured nail varnish is not permitted, as part of the school uniform policy. Can we remember that after the weekend, to remove the nail varnish in preparation for the school week? Many thanks for your support on this.

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