



Ark Bentworth Primary Academy

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Message from the Head of School

We are quickly approaching the end of the academic year and I am not entirely sure where the time has gone! The last 18 months has been a period of uncertainty and change, and I do not think I am the only one who feels the lockdowns have affected my perception of time. It feels like no time at all has passed since March when all our pupils returned.

As we approach the end of term, it has been wonderful to have some of our older pupils out on trips once more. Both Year 4 and Year 5 visited The Wormwood Scrubs this week and Year 6 are completing an intensive two-week swimming programme. The reason our younger pupils have not yet been out on trips is because the current Covid-19 guidance does not allow parent volunteers to support with trips at this time.

Our Year 6 pupils had a sleepover at school last week in place of going away on PGL. They played games, toasted marshmallows around a fire, played hide-and-go seek in the dark and there was even a little sleep! It was a wonderful experience (*see photos below*). A special thank you to Miss Oudomvilay and Miss Toddington who joined me and slept at school. There were three very tired adults in the morning, but lots of happy children.



I know many families will be looking forward to watching the Euro finals this weekend. I am not the biggest football fan – in fact I call it soccer! However, I must admit the current excitement is infectious and even I have found myself humming ‘It’s coming home’. Despite a poorly timed game on Sunday evening, I can confirm that school will be open at the usual time. There will be some tired pupils and adults on Monday morning but, dare I say it, hopefully we will all too busy celebrating to notice... Come on England!

Karinne Faddy

Last day of Term

The final day of the academic year is **Thursday 22nd July**. School will close at **1.30pm** on this day.

Terms Dates

Our term dates for next academic year (2021/22) have been updated and can be found here:

[Term Dates](#)

Summer Fair Raffle

Due to the current Covid-19 restrictions, we are unable to hold our usual fun-filled summer fair. Instead, we would still like to hold a raffle with some great prizes. If you can help with any gift donations or know of companies that would kindly donate to us, please let the school office know. The fair helps raise money for the school, so any donation is valuable.

Music Lessons

Hammersmith and Fulham have launched a new out of school music programme for children and young people who live or go to school in Hammersmith & Fulham, Kensington & Chelsea and Westminster. Click [here](#) to view the e-brochure.

Bookings for September 2021-July 2022 are now open. Book a place here:

Friday 9th July 2021

<https://www.triboroughmusiclub.org/apply/>

Family Cycle Library

The PTA at Ark Burlington Danes is loaning adult bikes and child bikes/seats to families during term time and the summer holidays. They also offer one-to-one adult cycle training. It is completely free and is open to Ark Bentworth families. Visit <https://bdpa-pta.org/cycle-library> to find out more and register.

Asymptomatic Testing

Anyone without Covid-19 symptoms can access free, regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing.

The NHS recommended testing twice a week (every 3-4 days) because 1 in 3 people with COVID-19 do not have symptoms but can still infect others:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/regular-rapid-coronavirus-tests-if-you-do-not-have-symptoms/>

Summer in the City

‘Summer in the City’ are running numerous events for children and young people over the holiday in Hammersmith and Fulham. To find

out more and to sign up to alerts follow this link:

<https://www.lbhf.gov.uk/children-and-young-people/summer-city>

Attendance

Last week, we did not have an assembly and celebrate attendance due to staff training on Friday. This week, the classes with the best attendance are:

- 1st Place – Year 4 with 98.16%
- 2nd Place – Year 1 with 96.85%
- 3rd Place – Year 2 with 96.84%

Our **100%** attendance winners are:

Osymah from Year 2 and **Hamza** from Year 5

Star Awards

This half term our value is *Happiness*. These pupils went *over and above* our expectations.

	Last week
Nursery	Haile
Reception	Frankie
Year 1	Ayoub
Year 2	Lily
Year 3	Jonathan
Year 4	Jessalina
Year 5	Adrianna
Year 6	Mark



Speak Like A Native Spanish club

Speak Like A Native are happy to announce the return of our fun, engaging **Spanish club** to Ark Bentworth. Watch your children grow in confidence and ability as they learn to navigate the world of languages through play.

Our clubs welcome all abilities, with no prior knowledge of the language necessary.

- Who?** 2 groups - Y1-3 and Y4-6
- When?** Mondays, 3:30-4:30pm
- How much?** £7 per session
- How long?** 13 weeks

To book your child into our **Spanish club**, go to www.speaklikeanative.com/find-a-class

Contact us: help@speakeanative.com / 020 8506 6050



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