



# Ark Priory Primary Academy

Explore

Endeavour

Excel

Courage to fly!

## Upcoming Events

N- Nursery  
R – Reception  
Y – Year

### 9<sup>th</sup> Nov

Parent Consultation  
week

### 13<sup>th</sup> Nov

Children in Need  
Pyjama Day

### 16<sup>th</sup> Nov

Yr1 Open Morning  
09:30-10:00

### 17<sup>th</sup> Nov

R Open Morning 09:30-  
10:00

### 18<sup>th</sup> Nov

Yr2 Open Morning  
09:30—10:00

### 19<sup>th</sup> Nov

N Open AM 09:30—  
10:00

N Open PM 12:45—  
13:15

### 25<sup>th</sup> Nov

Reception trip to St  
Mary's

### 30<sup>th</sup> Nov

Parent Surgery 08:30

### 4<sup>th</sup> Dec

Last Sharman Swim

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a start to our new half term! An unbelievable array of learning came into Priory this week in the shape of local land marks, gardens and space vehicles of all shapes and descriptions. We were lucky enough to enjoy an exhibition for all pupils to look at, question and explore each other's learning on Friday afternoon – made possible because of your efforts and engagement. So from all of the staff, and on behalf of the children, we would like to thank you for your efforts, they have made for a superb week at Priory. Enjoy a well-earned weekend! – Mr Martlew and the Staff

## ★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

	COURAGE	EXPLORATION	ENDEAVOUR	EXCEL
Reception	Kaito	Ben	Oscar G	Tatiana
Year 1	Oscar H	Hassan	Ruby	Leonard
Year 2	Bilal	Noah	Ava S	Neo



## HANDWRITING AWARD



Reception	Hibba & Steven
Year 1	Charlie & Lukas
Year 2	Anna & Claude



## TOP TABLE



KSI	Izzy	Oliver D	Sabrina	Buckley	Dexter	
RECEPTION	Asil	Lucas	Ilona	Emilio	Fleur	



## ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



Class	Attendance	Punctuality
Shackleton	93	100
Columbus	99	98
Pankhurst	94	98
Seacole	100	97
Armstrong	98	99
Sharman	99	97

## TOPICS AFTER HALF TERM...

Year Group	Mathematical Concept	Book/English Concept
Nursery	Number 1 – 5	Rhyming Words
Reception	Shapes 2D	The Smartest Giant in Town
Year 1	Shapes 3D and 2D	Beegu
Year 2	Multiplication	The Blue Planet

## Notices

**Children in Need:** The academy will be having a PYJAMA DAY for Children in Need on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November. Children will be expected to provide a £1 donation to participate and PLEASE wear your normal school shoes NOT slippers.

**Parent Consultations** - These will be held next week after school and every parent should now have an allocated slot. This is an important time for you to meet with the class teacher for a discussion on your child's progress. If you do not have a confirmed appointment, please contact the class teacher urgently. If you are unable to make an appointment next week, we expect alternative arrangements to be made directly with the class teacher.

**Breakfast Club** – Due to an increasing demand for this club we can no longer offer a 24 hour notice period. We ask parents to confirm their attendance by **Monday lunchtime**, for the following week's attendance, so we can cater accordingly. We also require payment for this in advance. Many thanks for your co-operation. We will introduce this system from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November.

**Academy Uniform** – We have noticed that with the colder weather arriving, several pupils are wearing non Academy colours. All coats and jackets should be dark blue, black or dark grey with no logos. We hope we can rely on your support to maintain our high standards.

**SATs Workshop** - For parents who were unable to make the previous meeting an additional date has been set for **19<sup>th</sup> November 5.30 pm – 6.30 pm**. Please note no childcare will be available.

**Tapestry in EYFS** - Today the EYFS have gone live with Tapestry. Once you have received the activation link please click on it to access your child online journal. This is a new exciting venture so please bear with us as all staff get accustomed to using it.

**Personalised Tea Towels** - The children are in the process of producing self-portraits which will be transferred on to a personalised tea towel for each class. This will include the Class Teacher, Teaching Assistant and all the pupils. Once we have a proof, we will send these out to parents who may wish to order one or two for Christmas presents for relatives and also as a keepsake for parents.

**Phonics Books** – please can all outstanding phonics books please be returned – if they are not returned it is difficult to reissue them to other children!

**Thank you to everyone who helped with the model making projects – they were all truly exceptional.**

## ARK PRIORY PRIMARY ACADEMY ASSOCIATION



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2015

Good afternoon Parents and Carers!

Yes, Christmas music is playing in the shops and it's getting cold outside! The APPAA winter fundraising has started, time to think about Christmas cards. This year we have chosen Arts Projects for Schools (APFS) to produce Christmas cards based on your children's own personal artwork. This activity is to be completed **AT HOME**, not in school classes. We ask you to give your child an A4 sheet of paper (it can be coloured paper) and they draw, paint, stick to create a design that means Christmas/celebration to them. The design can be landscape or portrait. Please **DO NOT** use glitter or staples.

*Please find attached an order form that YOU complete with your child's name (it will appear on the back of the card), the quantity of 12 pack cards, gift cards or 6 Luxury card AND select the greeting you want inside the card. NOTE: There will be no proof of the design created and sent back to you before you order. Order with confidence based on the fantastic design you see in front of you (your child's personal creation). The cards are made of quality paper. Examples of the cards will be displayed in the APPAA noticeboard (situated on the side wall between entrance gates).*

Order forms and Artwork must be **RETURNED** by **MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** with cheque/money for payment. **Please drop these off at the Academy Office to ensure we receive your order and not via the book bag.**

**EACH PACK PURCHASED RAISES FUNDS FOR THE ARK PRIORY ENRICHMENT FUND. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

Finally, we don't want to influence your child's creative process, but there are some design ideas to see examples of what can be used or done, including paper/fabric collage, ribbon, hand and foot painting at [www.apfs.org.uk/resources.php](http://www.apfs.org.uk/resources.php). There is also an interesting paint print demonstration. *Good results: pastels, paints, collage, felt pens, ink, charcoal. Not so good: same colour paper/pencils, reflective/metallic pens or paper.*



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