



Ark Priory Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I would like to send a huge thank you to our parent reading volunteers who are constantly doing such a great job to support our children to read. It is lovely to walk around school and see children being supported so often! If you would like to help, please contact Mrs Harper.

Secondly, I would like to remind parents that swimming is part of the National Curriculum and therefore **compulsory**. We have noticed a large number of children missing their swimming lessons each week so please make sure your child comes to school with the correct kit to take part.

Thirdly, I am very excited to announce that we have a new school menu which has been launched this week. School council and all the children were involved in discussion about likes and dislikes. We think we have developed a menu that kept some of the dishes children liked but also some new ones. Please see the menu attached. We will also be having some themed food weeks in the Summer term such as 'International Week' - keep a look out on the newsletter for more information! Any feedback from the children's opinions will be very well received so please do not hesitate to email me at d.grasso@arkprioryprimary.org.

Many thanks

Miss Grasso

Classical Musical Performance

Pianist Julian Gallant and violinist Giles Francis gave a special recital at Ark Priory on Tuesday 29th January 2019. The duo, who are old friends, played a programme of works by Schubert, Prokofiev and Brahms with a special surprise at the end.

Julian Gallant is one of the local governors at Ark Priory. He's a pianist and composer whose music is often heard on TV and radio; he has also conducted many orchestras and opera companies in Russia and the republics that were once part of the Soviet Union.

Giles Francis is a top violinist who currently lives with his family in Amsterdam. He has worked in all the major orchestras there including the famous Concertgebouw. Giles played for several years in the Dante String Quartet. What a musical treat for our pupils! Thank you, Julian and Giles!



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Attendance

Our whole school attendance for the week is:

97.5%

Class Attendance:

1. Fleming 99%
2. Brunel 98.4%
3. Pankhurst 98.1%

Well done to Fleming class!
Let's see which class is the first to gain 100 attendance!



Stars and Authors of the Week

Well done to this week's Stars! **Our Authors of the Week are in green!** (No Y3 as they are on a trip)

	Class	Child's Name	Class	Child's Name
5	MOZART	Alafia Juno	MONET	Kamari
4	CURIE	Kaila Celine	FLEMING	Naya
3	ARCHIMEDES	/	BRUNEL	/
2	SHARMAN	Georgia	ARMSTRONG	Jan Daniyal
1	PANKHURST	Atarah Gabriel Y	SEACOLE	Sevgi

Reception Visit to the Science Museum

This week Reception have been on their first big school trip to science museum! The day was filled with lots of exploration based on our topic of Space. Although there were lots of tired legs at the end a great day was had by all!



PSHE News

We have another very exciting week ahead of us as February 4th is *Safer Internet Day*. Please see the link below for activities and information for parents on how to keep children safe online.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018/sid2018-education-packs/education-pack-parents-and-carers>

The week of February 4th to February 10th is **National Children's Mental Health Week**. We have a week filled with fun workshops for the children to take part in. If you would like to find out more and get involved please see the link below. <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>

**Children's
Mental Health
Week 2019**
4-10 Feb #ChildrensMentalHealthWeek
ChildrensMentalHealthWeek.org.uk
Save the date!

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Key Dates

Ealing Music and Film Festival Outreach/Concert at St Mary's Church Years 3, 4 and 5

Wednesday 13 Feb 2019

Years 3, 4 and 5 have the exciting opportunity to experience a live music concert thanks to Ealing Music and Film Festival and our Governor, Julian Gallant. All children will attend and no permissions slips need to be filled as it is a local trip.

Open Mornings

During our final week of this half term, we will be holding again our Parent Open Mornings, where you can come and see what school life is like at Ark Priory.

As a reminder, these will be held of the following dates for these classes from 8.45am until 9.30am:

Monday 11th February for Year 1 and Year 3, Tuesday 12th February for Year 2 and Year 4 and Wednesday 13th February for Year 5 and Reception. Nursery Open Morning will be held on Thursday 14th February with AM Nursery at 8.45-9.15am and PM Nursery at 13.00-13.30pm. Thank you.

Secondary Transfers Talk

For our Year 5 parents, Peter Haylock, Executive Principal at Ark BDA, Ark Sloane and Ark Acton will be coming to talk to you about Secondary Transfers on **Friday 15th February at 9am** in our school hall. *This is for Ark Priory Year 5 parents only.*

School Photos

Tuesday 5th Feb 2019

Please make sure your child comes in with their full uniform, ready to have their photo taken.

Reminder: Home School Prep work is due Wednesday 13th February with our Showcase on Friday 15th February at drop off time.

Notices from APPAA - Ark Priory Primary Academy Association

Follow us on Twitter @APPAA_ArkPriory Contact us at appaacommittee@gmail.com

Is APPAA reaching you? We would love all parents and carers to be part of our active community! We run a 'What's App' group for all Year Groups - very helpful for reminders about school life and APPAA events! If you are not included and would like to be, please ask your class reps to add you, or contact APPAA and we will arrange it.

APPAA occasionally sends communication by email - if you have never received an email from APPAA and would like to be on our distribution list please contact us, and we can add you to our database.

Next APPAA meeting: to discuss next fundraising and social events. Tuesday 12 February 2019 7.45pm at a central Acton venue. (TBC). All welcome but we would appreciate if you could RSVP to appaacommittee@gmail.com so we have idea of numbers to book an appropriately sized venue.

Next Bakesale: We look forward to the first bakesale hosted by our Reception Parents and Carers on Friday 8 February.

Second Hand Uniform Sale: APPAA will run a second hand uniform sale alongside Reception Bake Sale on Friday 8 February. Parents and Carers, we would love your donations of Ark Priory logo uniform, PE kits, winter coats, etc especially larger sizes. Please give donations to your APPAA reps in the playground at drop off next week or hand into the school office.

Reception Social Evening: Reception Parents had an informal get together at The Swan Pub this week. Thanks to those who organised and those who attended!

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