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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to our Reception and Nursery pupils this week.

We have all watched with distress as the tragic events in the US have developed over the past week and have seen how protests have spread across the world including here in the UK. The battle against racism, against systemic inequality of all kinds is at the core of the Ark network's mission. In significant moments such as this, I always think back to the words of Nelson Mandela. He said: *"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."* With this in mind, please find in this newsletter some links you can use to discuss this with your child/ren at home. As a community, we are diverse but completely united in our ethos and values.

I would like to remind you all that school will be closed on **Friday 3rd July** as on our school calendar for a Network INSET day. This is for all pupils including those from key worker families. Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Grasso

Fitter Future at home!

Fitter Future is a fun way to get you active at home. It is a series of short, online workouts designed by children, to be used by children. The workouts can be used as a brain break, wake-up activity or at any time during your day. There is no equipment needed, you don't need a large space and you can use them as often as you like: <https://app.fitterfuture.com/student/auth/login>

Username: arkpriory

Password: arkpriory

Please do not change the password as this will lock everyone out. Thank you all!



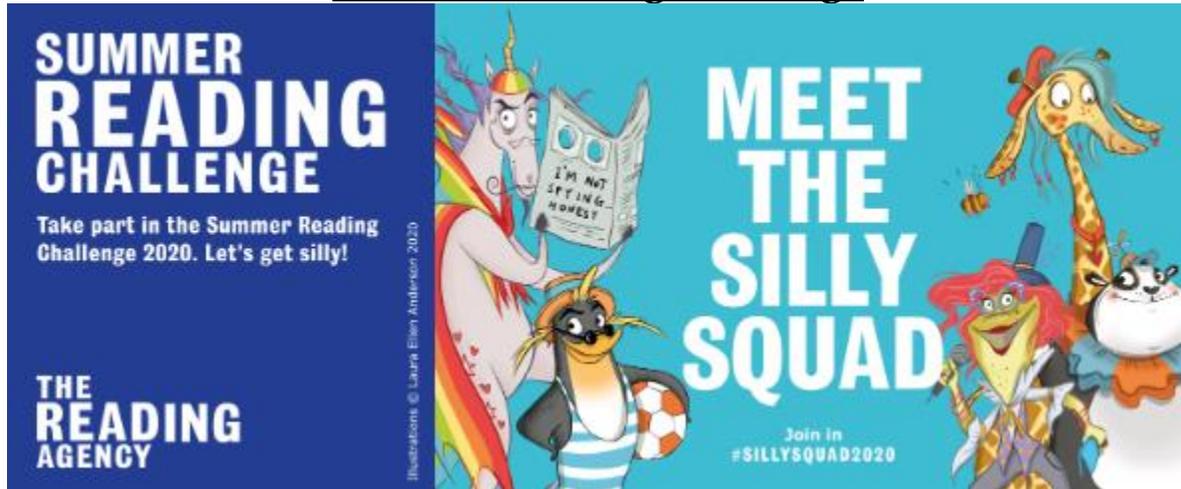
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Summer Reading Challenge



Join the 'Silly Squad' for the great summer reading challenge. This year the challenge is online for free and you can sign up here: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>.

Please send your class teacher any book recommendations that can be shared in your class weekly newsletter. Thank you!

Welcome back Nursery and Reception!

We welcomed back our Reception and Nursery pupils this week. They really enjoyed being back at school. Miss Louise and the team have been very creative with our school lunches to make sure our pupils have a delicious meal every day in their pods. For example, this week the children had spaghetti Bolognese and homemade individual quiches. How tasty!



Following the government announcement this week on schools, we will be unable to allow more year groups back to school until September at this moment in time. We will continue to provide home learning for those who cannot attend school and continue to contact our families regularly.

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Websites to use to talk to your children about the news

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround>

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/crime-law/racism-racial-bullying/>

<https://theweekjunior.co.uk/subscriptions>

For Upper KS2 pupils: <https://theday.co.uk/>



Challenge 4 -

Create the biggest overhang you can in your home.

E.g. Stacking books or DVDs off the edge of a table:



Submit a photo of the overhang you create alongside a measurement from the edge of the table to the edge of further DVD, say.

Winner is the entry with the longest distance.

Dear Priory Mathematicians,

Well done to Anaya from Brunel and Maya in Shackleton class (the youngest entrant) for your certificates and great feedback!

This weekend's maths challenge is below (challenge 4). Send your photos with measurements to Miss Broodie, a.broodie@arkprioryprimary.org, by 2pm on Sunday 14th June 2020.

Good luck!

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Notices from APPAA*

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

*APPAA is ARK Priory's Parents' Association, run by the school's parents and carers to **raise funds, hold events, and bring our academy community together**. All Ark Priory parents and carers **are automatically members** of the association because you are members of the community.

What's App groups for Nursery and Reception 2020

Please let us know if you wish to join the APPAA What's App group for your child's year group, or rejoin an existing one. They remain the most up to the minute method of communicating to you all via your class rep.

Year 6 Leavers

We are still planning to give our year 6 leavers a good send off, despite the current situation. We are going to be compiling a "virtual year book" so please start digging out those old photos of the kids from over the years. We are also looking into leavers' hoodies as a lasting momento for the children. More details to follow!

The Giving Machine - Shop online to raise free money for Ark Priory!

Remember to shop via TheGivingMachine whenever you shop online!
Just start at TheGivingMachine website, desktop reminder or mobile app whenever you go shopping and you'll raise a free cash donation for ARK Priory Primary.

Find us here: <https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/ark-priory-primary>

It's really simple, you click to your favourite shops from their website, desktop reminder or mobile app and a percentage of your shopping bill is converted into a cash donation for us, at no extra cost to you. With over 2,200 stores participating including ebay, M&S, John Lewis & Partners and Tui, you can really help make a difference.

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