



# Ark Priory Primary Academy

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Courage to fly!

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am so proud of our pupils and the quality of Home School Projects that we saw on Wednesday. They were exceptional! Please join us for the 'Priory Showcase' on Monday morning (17<sup>th</sup> December) in the cookery room during drop off until 8.45am to see some examples of the wonderful work of our pupils. The side door will be open to allow you to pop in. This is for parents/carers only so please take your child/ren into school the normal way. Thank you.

This Thursday will also be our 'Carols Around the Tree' event starting at 4.30pm until 5.30pm. We hope you can join us.

Have a fabulous weekend!

Miss Grasso



## Ark Priory Christmas Fair- THANK YOU!



Thank you to APPAA and our whole community for making the Christmas Fair a great success. I would also like to say a big thank you to our staff for working with our pupils to make such wonderful products as part of our Christmas enterprise project to sell and for giving their time to come and support our school Christmas Fair. The Year group that made the most profit was Year 4 – Well done!

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## Attendance

Overall School attendance:  
97.9%

Class Attendance:

1. Fleming 98.8%
2. Pankhurst 98.2%
3. Brunel 98.1%

Well done to Fleming class! We've taken a bit of a knock as the seasonal sniffles pass but I'm certain we can get it back up to impressive highs next term! One last push before Christmas!



OUT OF ORDER



Please do not pull the automatic front door to the academy.

Yesterday it was pulled and subsequently the inner mechanism shattered and is costly and will take a while to repair. Thank you.

## Stars of the Week

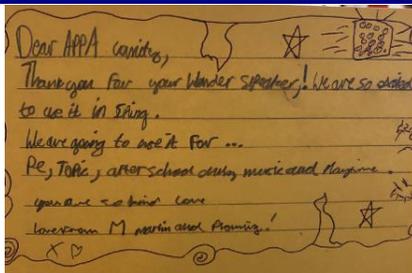


Well done to this week's Stars!



	Class	Child's Name	Class	Child's Name
5	MOZART	<b>Sarah</b>	MONET	<b>Mariam</b>
4	CURIE	<b>Josette</b>	FLEMING	<b>Max</b>
3	ARCHIMEDES	<b>Isaiah</b>	BRUNEL	<b>Freddie</b>
2	SHARMAN	<b>Mihailo</b>	ARMSTRONG	<b>Thaliya</b>
1	PANKHURST	<b>Bibiana</b>	SEACOLE	<b>Adnan</b>

## Thank you from Fleming Class!



The children from Fleming Class would like to say thank you to APPAA and all the parents who donated to our Wishing Tree. This week, they received a small sound system which they will use every day in class. They were so excited! THANK YOU!



## Key dates:

- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December: Primary Showcase- please come straight into the Cooking Room at drop off to see the children's wonderful Home School Prep work
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec: School Christmas Lunch
- Nativity Plays: Reception: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 9am and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm  
Nursery: NAM Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 10:30am, NPM Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 2:30pm
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December: Carols Around the tree (4.30pm-5.30pm)
- School closes for Christmas on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 3pm
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019- Back to School for Spring term

## Notices

**Library** - Children will be keeping their library books over the Christmas holidays. Children will be receiving a new school library book on the week commencing the 14<sup>th</sup> January.

**YEAR FOUR**- Please can children bring in small Junk Modelling items such as toilet/kitchen rolls and small boxes during the first week back in January for an exciting art project.

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## **Ark Priory 'Happy Christmas Fair' 2018**

Thank you to everyone who organised, baked, crafted, collected, designed, donated, printed, ran errands, ran a stall or came along to support us on the day, helped set up, clear up and participated in so many other ways. We were overwhelmed with the support from our community and yet again blown away by the amount raised to go towards this year's fundraising goal - 'The Happiness Project'.

**Thanks to you all we have raised a staggering £ 6010!!!!**

Special thanks again to:

- Our headline sponsors **KFH Estate Agents** for their overall sponsorship and enthusiastic participation on the day.
- To Acton Fire Station, Red Watch for taking time out to join the festivities
- Shooting Starz for the great sporting activities in the MUGA
- To Santa for and his helpers in the wonderful Grotto
- Damien Griffiths for the Grotto photography
- Snappy Snaps Chiswick for the prints and Grotto backdrop
- Julia Leibig for the poster designs
- Dan Wilkin at Deadeye Design for brochure and raffle artwork and for sponsoring the Arts and Crafts area
- Susanne Sattler and her students from Imperial College for the Science experiments
- The DJ's - Rick Harris and Mark Ashley for their contribution
- Ark Byron and Godolphin Schools for the trestle tables (and Jake Usher for collecting and returning them)
- Blissetts for their generosity in the printing costs of the brochure, and all the businesses who took out an advert.
- Prontaprint for the raffle tickets
- Superlink Security for the security guard
- Basil and Toms for the donation of Baked Potatoes
- To all the businesses in the wider community who generously donated to the raffle (see list below)
- To the teachers and support staff for their active participation in the planning and execution of this years' fair
- To the APPAA Christmas Fair Committee 2018 and the parents in the community who worked so hard to make this event happen.

Remember to look through the brochure handed out at the event for details of the local businesses that supported us, and follow APPAA on Twitter @APPAA\_ArkPriory to help us support them further.

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We are pleased to share this note from Miss Steele, our Executive Head:

*Good afternoon,*

*I just wanted to say I have just had one of the best afternoons at our Christmas fare. As ever, the parents have been the engine room and nerve centre pulling it all together so majestically behind the scenes so that the whole event is so slick and professional. Thank you again so, so much. You are just incredible.*

*This year's stalls and activities were particularly child friendly with lots of arts and crafts, plus of course the unicorn hair!*

*Another key feature was the input from the staff and children who made their own wares to sell. It was so pleasing to see all the staff members there too – showing such engagement and enthusiasm. Thank you so much for taking the time and for being so good spirited.*

*I know it is a fundraising event but it so much more than that.*

**Christmas Raffle:** The Raffle winners list is printed below. Congratulations to all our lucky winners! All have been contacted. Please contact [appaacommittee@gmail.com](mailto:appaacommittee@gmail.com) to arrange pick up of any outstanding prizes.

**Other news:**

**Year 2 Bake Sale** – Friday 14 December at 3pm - donations of nut free bakes welcome

**Next APPAA Open Committee Meeting** - Thursday 10 January 2019 at 2.30pm at school. All welcome.

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# Ark Priory Parent Corner

## Reaching for the Stars!

Genevieve and Fleur perform in their first ever Heathrow Gymnastics Club Christmas Display this week. It's a pretty big deal with Genevieve performing in 5 shows, Fleur in 2 shows and the girls are so excited to perform alongside National and Olympic Gymnasts.

They have been practising really hard with their respective teams and most nights are now sold out! Good Luck Genevieve and Fleur! We know you'll knock their socks off!



## Mother Nature Science Club at Ark Priory Academy

### **After School Science Club**

**“Like having the Science Museum at our school – every week!”**

Our term time after school sessions help children to better to understand the world around them. We explore a wide variety of scientific topics across Chemistry, Biology and Physics which are linked to the National Curriculum and supplement STEM primary learning.

During each fun and educational weekly one hour session, children observe and exciting demonstration, enquire about the science behind it and then engage in hands-on activity to confirm their findings. Parents also receive a topic sheet after every session telling them what their child has done and other experiment to continue the science at home.

Our sessions are designed to inspire children of all abilities to have a love of science both in and out of school.

We have brand new topics each term so book now 😊

**Save £1 - [Book and Pay Online Here](#)**

You can quickly and securely book and pay by Card, BACS or Cheque.

Please note that **Childcare Vouchers** can only be used for our Holiday Camps and **not our After-School Clubs.**

**Top Tips:**

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- To Book and Pay Online you will need to quickly [Login / Create an Account](#) (always the blue button in top right of website).  
You will then be taken to the Booking Page where you can select Science Club; choose your School from the drop-down menu and add your registered children.
  - First time booking online? You will need to click the [Create My MNS Account](#) button in the yellow login page – it takes 2mins and only needs to be done once.  
Please note: previously booking via paper-form or over the phone does not automatically register you with an online account.
  - Forgotten password? [Reset it here](#)
- or Call 020 8863 8832** to pay with card over the phone, for an additional £1 admin fee.

Please note that the booking deadline is on **Friday 21st December 2018**.

**The club dates can be found on the website when you select your school name.**

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