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Dear Parents and Carers,

On Wednesday this week, the whole of KS2 went to St Mary's Church for a Lunchtime Concert Performance as part of UWL's London College of Music lunchtime concert series. The concert was a classical music performance including a pianist and a woodwind quintet. I am excited to inform you about how proud I was of our pupils, who sat and listened with respect throughout the entire performance. Next term, we will have more performing arts experiences such as an in-school theatre and a visit from the Royal Shakespeare Company in June, all paid for by the generosity of families via APPAA fund raising events. I would like to say thank you in advance as due to this, we are able to give our pupils many experiences that go beyond the National Curriculum.

Next week is our half term break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Tuesday 26th February 2019**. Have a great holiday!

Miss Grasso



STEM Parent Forum – please help!

The STEM parent forum have created a survey and we would be delighted if you would take around 5 minutes to complete this.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/5MS9XXB>

Why?

We are sending this out to find out more about our parent body and the interest there is in science, technology, engineering and maths and how to continue to improve it.

What will happen next?

We will collate the answers and the parent forum will work on a plan moving forward to support children, parents and the local community to develop and grow the impact of STEM, particularly with additional focus on supporting parents at home.

How can I get involved?

If you would like to be more involved with the STEM parent forum, would like to be more active or currently work in a profession that uses science, technology, engineering and maths in any way and you would like to share that knowledge please contact Miss Terry s.terry@arkprioryprimary.org

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Attendance

Our whole school attendance for the week is:

97.3%

Class Attendance:

1. Fleming 98.9%
2. Brunel 98.5%
3. Archimedes 98%

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



Steps to Success!

Isaiah in Year 3 has been enrolled into the London School of Mathematics and Programming studying robotics engineering. Robotics is a mathematics, programming and engineering theory brought to life as children assemble and programme the schools state of the art educational robots to perform tasks and tricks. By using fully functioning robots, the teachers at LSE can describe complex programming and mathematical theories in a visible, practical context, with the robots magically transforming the learning process from dry scientific concepts and facts into real life. Here in week 4, Isaiah has built and programmed a robot to follow his instructions using coding, programming and mathematics. Well done Isaiah, we are so proud of you!



PSHE News

This week, we have had great fun carrying out a variety of fund raising activities for a range of charities chosen and planned for by the children and they have learnt about how they can have a positive impact on the world around them.

Thank you for all of your contributions so far and we look forward to informing you about how much money has been raised for the charities after half term. Miss Terry is continuing her fundraising for ShelterBox and has arranged an Art Contest for all children to take part in. All entries must be handed in by the 26th February. For further details and information please contact Miss Terry.

If you would like to get involved and volunteer in your community Please see the link below:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/4bnPmz1QX6ZmQfg3hmq2vrv/volunteering-with-children>



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Key Dates:

These will be published in the first newsletter of next term. Thank you.

Notices from APPAA - Ark Priory Primary Academy Association

Follow us on Twitter @APPAA_ArkPriory

Contact us at:

appacommittee@gmail.com

Reception Bakesale and Second Hand Uniform Sale - Thanks so much to all the parents and carers who baked, helped and supported the Reception Bakesale and APPAA Second Hand Uniform Sale. Despite the heavy rain the bakesale made 277.50 and the Uniform sale made 208.50 which will go towards enrichment and activities fund for 2019-20. What a great achievement!

Next Bakesale - Nursery (AM and PM) on Friday 9 March 2019 at 3pm

Reception Parents Coffee Morning - another opportunity to catch up with other parents of Reception children. Please do come along to Putt in the Park cafe in Acton Park after drop off on Thursday 28 February.

The Giving Machine - have you registered to support us via 'The Giving Machine' yet? It is a really simple way to raise money for Ark Priory just by doing your regular shopping with more than 2000 companies like Argos, Amazon, John Lewis, Next etc, All you have to do is enter the site via The Giving Machine website or app, and these retailers will donate a percentage of your sale to your chosen cause. We now have 108 users. Please sign up and tell your partners, family and friends to join too! <https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/ark-priory-primary/>

APPAA Committee meeting: The APPAA Committee meeting took place on Tuesday 12 February 2019 at 7.45pm in the school hall. Thanks to those who attended. Detailed minutes will be issued in the next few days.

Easter Fair - our 'Spring Fete' will be held on Friday 29 March after school at 3 pm. This is a small scale event We are starting to plan this and you will be hearing more in the coming weeks - for now we would like to ask parents to

- save the date!
- start to acquire Easter Eggs and confectionary for the ever popular Easter Egg Tombola
- Any Artisans out there who would like to make handmade goods that we could sell - jams, chutneys, truffles, plants, etcespecially pertinent as is Mothers Day on the 31 March just following! Get your creative juices flowing as we will be asking for your kind donations....

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