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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we held our first coding session for our Year 5 pupils with the Barclays London team (please see our Twitter feed @arkpriory). It was wonderful to see the pupils engaging in something different and the Barclays team thoroughly enjoyed working with and supporting our pupils. The team came to us from local branches. As a school, we are looking to enhance our community engagement and do more projects like this one. If you can help or know of anyone/any organisation, please contact me at d.grasso@arkprioryprimary.org. Thank you in advance.

I would like to remind you that the school gate closes at 8.35am. We have had an increase in lateness recently. Please make sure your child/ren comes to school on time- it is of vital importance in order to support their learning. Have a great weekend.

Miss Grasso

Stars and Authors of the Week

Well done to this week's Stars! Our Authors of the Week are in green!

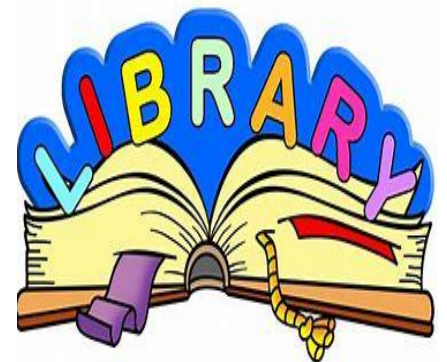
	Class	Child's Name	Class	Child's Name
6	SOMMERVILLE	Werd	EINSTEIN	Seren
5	MOZART	Oishi Layla	MONET	Rawdah
4	CURIE	Amelie Abdullahi	FLEMING	Emily
3	ARCHIMEDES	Katerina	BRUNEL	Sulaiman Samirah
2	SHARMAN	Saraa	ARMSTRONG	Layan Yaseen
1	PANKHURST	Nora Zander	SEACOLE	Iman
R	COLUMBUS	Elia Dominic	SHACKLETON	Maya

On the lookout for Parent Librarian Volunteers

We are looking for additional parent s to join our team of librarians. From January, we have sessions available on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons.

Please get in touch with Ms Rabbani either on the playground at drop off and collections or by email

s.rabbani@arkprioryprimary.org



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On **Friday 7th February**, Ark Priory Primary Academy will be taking part in Number Day 2019 to raise money for NSPCC!

Everyone at school will be wearing non-uniform with numbers or symbols related to maths (operations, acronyms like BODMAS) to not only celebrate the importance of maths but to raise money for a worthy cause. Please make sure children bring in £1 to donate to the charity. Here are some examples of number day outfits children can wear on the day.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-you-can-do/charity-runs-cycles-and-challenges/social-and-special-events/number-day/>



Attendance

Our whole school attendance for the week is: **96.6%**

Class Attendance:

- Fleming 98.2%**
- Sharman/Curie/Monet
97.4%
- Brunel 96.7%

Well done to Fleming class !

House Points

Our winning team this week was:



We love reading at Ark Priory!

Thank you to all the parents that attended the recent Reading Parent Workshops. All children will have now received their home reading book and reading record. We have seen a great buzz around the books and hope you do too!

Reading is one of the most important things a child can do; it underpins everything and is directly linked to school success, self-esteem, confidence and achievements throughout life.

Reading should be a fun and positive experience for both you and your child!

- Give reading status and importance by reading every day with your child.
- Choose a quiet time and give your child your full attention!
- Try to build this into your daily routine.
- Have a quiet, comfortable space your child (and you) can read in.
- Enjoy the conversations you have around books

Remember books and reading records should be brought into school every day. On Thursday, they will be changed, and a new book will be brought home on Friday.



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Homework links

Year 1	https://www.roythezebra.com/reading-games/full-stop-1.html
Year 2	https://phet.colorado.edu/sims/html/fraction-matcher/latest/fraction-matcher_en.html
Year 3	http://www.mathematicshed.com/maths-myths-and-legends-shed.html
Year 4	http://teach.files.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/en22what-e3-w-identifying-word-types.pdf
Year 5	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z36tyrd/articles/zgxdfcw
Year 6	https://uk.ixl.com/ela/year-6 sections M.1-M.3

Key Dates for Spring 1:

Spring term 2020	
Swimming Swimming: Thursday Y4 Fleming 9am, Curie 2.30pm Tuesday Y3: Archimedes 9am, Brunel 11:30am	
Fri 17 Jan	Y2 Bake Sale
Mon 20 Jan	Midyear Reports Out Phonics Workshop for Nursery Parents
3/5/6 Feb	Parent Open Mornings Mon 3rd: Y1, Y3 Wed 5th: Y2, Y5, Reception Thu 6th: Y4, Y6, Nursery
Tue 4th Feb	Individual and Sibling Photos
Fri 7 Feb	Y1 Bake Sale Number day
Tue 11 Feb	Safer Internet Day
Wed 12 Feb	Y3 Play (AM)
Thu 13 Feb	Y3 Play (PM)
<u>Fri 14 Feb</u>	<u>Inset Day</u>
<u>W/c 17 Feb</u>	<u>Half Term</u>
<u>24 Feb</u>	<u>First day back to school</u>
26 th Feb	CSI Science Night (after school)
2-4 Mar	Y5 Residential
Thu 5 Mar	World Book Day
Fri 6 Mar	Reception Bake Sale

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Wed 18 Mar	Parent Forum @7pm
Fri 27 Mar	Easter Event/Bake Sale
W/c 30 Mar	Parent Consultation Evenings APPAA Sponsored Easter Egg Hunt
Mon 30 Mar	Y1 Play (PM)
Tue 31 Mar	Y1 Play (AM)
Thu 2 Apr	Reception Easter Bonnet Parade (AM)
Fri 3 Apr	Nursery Easter Event <u>Last day of Term</u> <u>finish at 1:30pm</u>

Notices from APPAA*

Follow us on Twitter @APPAA_ArkPriory Contact us at appaacommitee@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. **If you want to know how you can get involved or help out at any of the upcoming events then drop us a mail at the email above. We are all busy people, but working together as a team of carers, dads and mums we can make great things happen for our school and our children.**

Year 2 Bake sale - TOTAL RAISED £263

Year 2 Bake Sale raised an amazing £236.03 😊 Thanks to those who baked and supported! #community #involved #manyhandsmakelightwork All proceeds go towards enrichment trips and activities for all the kids @ArkPriory. Don't forget the year 1 bake sale coming up on the 7th February.

APPAA Committee Meeting - MINUTES

Please find attached the minutes from the APPAA committee meeting on the 17th January. Below a summary:

APPAA has already raised enough money to enable every child in the school to visit the theatre this school year. Trips will be booked soon and the committee will meet to discuss what the next APPAA fundraising goal should be.

An APPAA sub-committee will be formed to help organise a leavers event for the year 6 pupils (ideas so far a prom, school hoodies?) Let APPAA know if you have any ideas or want to get involved.

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EVENTS FOR THIS YEAR:
Year 1 bake sale Fri 7/2/20
Reception bake sale Fri 6/3/20
Easter event or bake sale Fri 27/3/20
Easter egg hunt w/c 30/3/20
Nursery bake sale Fri 1/5/20
Eid Celebration or bake sale Fri 5/6/20
Ark Priory Summer fair Sat 20/6/20
Year 6 bake sale/leavers event Fri 10/7/20

Easter Fair - let APPAA know if you would like to get involved

Summer Fair - Saturday 20th of June **SAVE THE DATE** And please volunteer to help make this one extra special for the leavers.

Our Sponsorship agreement with KFH is working very well. We could do more of this. If anyone has any contacts/ideas/ match funding at their workplace please let us know.

For more information please do read through the attached Minutes.

The Giving Machine - EARN MONEY WHILE YOU SHOP

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

Do you ever shop online at big retailers like EBay, Argos, Amazon, Sainsbury's or Boots? The Giving Machine is a way to donate a percentage of everything you spend (at no cost to you) to the school. Last year with only 115 givers in total and only 15 who used it in the last 30 days we have still raised £2520.95. It really is one of the easiest ways to give to the school. Please have a go at downloading the app next time you shop online.

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