



Ark Priory Primary Academy

Explore

Endeavour

Excel

Courage to
fly!

Dear Parents and Carers,

As a reminder, the school holidays have been brought forward to a slightly earlier date for our pupils in Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 5 and Year 6 to allow other pupils who have not yet been able to return to have a transition day before the end of the school year. In order to do this safely and within government guidelines, we still need to adhere to having only 15 pupils per two adults. We cannot do this if all the year groups are in school.

For children in school, the school holidays will now start from Monday 20th July. This means their last school day will be Friday 17th July 2020. We hope you understand and support this move to enable all Ark Priory pupils to have some access to school before the holidays begin. If you have any further questions, please contact your child's class teacher.

We are currently working on plans for those pupils in Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 to return to school for transition time on **Monday 20th July and Tuesday 21st July only**. Please keep these dates in mind as we believe it is very important that all pupils have some contact time in school before the summer holidays. I will be sending further information early next week.

Those attending the 'community classroom' can continue to attend until the end of term. **School will be closed to all pupils for the summer holidays from Wednesday 22nd July.**

This week, we welcomed back Miss Mason from her maternity leave to the Ark Priory team. Welcome back Miss Mason!

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Grasso

Explore, endeavour and excel!

This week, Toby has been very busy. He decided to explore two new activities; playing the guitar and embroidery. It was really challenging for him but he continued to endeavour!



More photos of Toby's adventures at home next week!

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Ark Schools Sports Challenge!

Ark have set all the schools in the network a challenge to collectively walk the distance around the world – 40,000km! At Ark Priory we will be participating in this challenge!

Every time you walk, run or cycle anywhere, you can log your distance online! We will be logging distances as class teams.

When you enter your distance it will ask for your team name, please enter your class name (eg Curie Class, Shackleton Class) and your teachers name as the team leader (eg Miss Cox or Mr Conard).

Ark will share leader boards with us which your class teacher can share with you!
I wonder which class can travel the furthest distance!

We will also be able to find out if we travelled further than other schools within the network!

Please follow the link below to find information about the challenge and to sign up and track your distance!

<https://www.arksportsdaychallenge.com/>

Please contact me if you have any questions about this exciting challenge!
F.mason@arkprioryprimary.org



Information from the Local Authority:

On **Friday 10th July** when we should have all been at Gunnersbury Park for our first ever EMStival, we have decided to give you a flavour of some of the acts you would have seen on the day and invite you all to **EMStival online**

Live on Facebook for FREE @ 18:30, Friday 10th July– all you have to do is like our page



<https://www.facebook.com/WeAreEMS>

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Headline acts include:

The Chris Woods Groove Orchestra



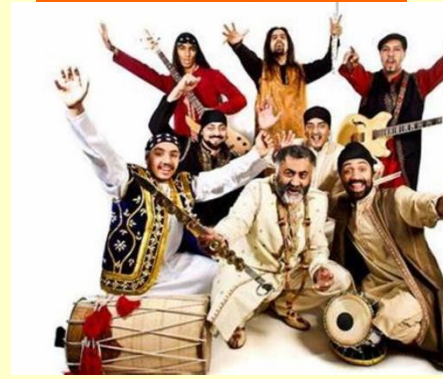
Chart topping Britpop icons



**Vocals and Beatboxing
Doowop to HipHop**



UK's leading Bhangra band



Balkan and Reggae festival favourites



London's premier Youth Orchestra



And many more..... please pass this on to your parents, staff, family and friends – **it's free**

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Dear Priory Mathematicians,

The final Maths Whizz Challenge is here! Well done to all the pupils who have taken part from Reception, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 6- you have represented Priory well 😊 Who will be the next to see their entry on Twitter?

For the final challenge, you will have just under 3 weeks to complete. Send your entries (videos or photos of the beginning and ending of your 'chain reaction') to Miss Broodie, a.broodie@arkprioryprimary.org, by 4pm on Wednesday 15th June 2020.

Good luck!



Final Challenge -

Create a continuous chain reaction of events in your home.

For inspiration see the Honda advert from 10 years ago:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ve4M4UsIQo

Or this marble video:

<https://www.sciencealert.com/kaplamino-youtube-best-chain-reaction-video-rube-goldberg-blue-marble>

Winners will be judged based on creativity and length.

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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.

Second Hand Uniform Donations Required

APPAA UNIFORM SALE LAST WEEK OF TERM - EXACT DATE TBA

APPAA are planning to hold a hand uniform sale before the end of term. We require your donations of good quality, clean, pre-loved, second hand uniform, especially branded logo items like blazers, jumpers and PE sweatshirts.

Donations can be dropped at the school office (strictly only between the hours of 9.30am to 2pm to avoid any clashes with pupils/families attending the community school). There will also be a box for donations left out by the main gates, APPAA will send a reminder via What's App when this is in place.

The Wishing Tree 2020

We are delighted that this initiative to get teachers' wish list items into the classrooms will be taking place again in time for the new school year. The teachers have been asked to compile their wishlists and APPAA reps will communicate them to you as soon as possible. We really hope to give the teachers and pupils a well needed boost by acquiring all the desired items as soon as we can, so watch this space for further information.

The Giving Machine - EARN MONEY FOR SCHOOL WHILE YOU SHOP

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

We know that we often ask you this! But do you ever shop online at big retailers like EBay, Argos, Amazon, Sainsbury's or Boots? If so we would love for you to do so whilst using 'The Giving Machine' app or web browser, as the stores donate a percentage of everything you spend (at no cost to you) to the school. Simply download the app, create an account, click 'go shopping' and shop in the way you normally do. This is one of the easiest ways to donate to the school. You just need to remember to do it! This month only 6 of our 117 registered users used it, when normally this is approximately 30! If you need help downloading the app drop APPAA a mail at appaacommittee@gmail.com.

As always if you want to help out or have any notices for the newsletter please contact appaacommittee@gmail.com for further information.

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