



# Ark Priory Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all those who attended the 'Strictly Social' this Wednesday and to our wonderful APPAA committee for organising such a fabulous evening. We raised over £1300 for the school. The next event will be our 'Carols Around the Tree' on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December which will be a joint venture with the school. More information to follow soon.

We had a large turn out for our Headteacher Forum this week so a big thank you to those parents/carers who attended. Please find attached the PowerPoint that was shared at this meeting. If you do have any questions/comments, please email me directly at [d.grasso@arkprioryprimary.org](mailto:d.grasso@arkprioryprimary.org). Thank you.

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	SOMERVILLE	KAMARI PHILIPPA	EINSTEIN	NIZAR
5	MOZART	LEONARD	MONET	DYLAN DIOR
4	CURIE	MALAK	FLEMING	KAJVAN SOPHIE
3	ARCHIMEDES	BADR MOHAMED M	BRUNEL	KHUSHIE
2	SHARMAN	ZAINAB	ARMSTRONG	SAHIL MIYA
1	PANKHURST	CHARLENE	SEACOLE	VASILJE IZA
R	COLUMBUS	JAMES EOS	SHACKLETON	BEATRICE

### Citizenship Week

In preparation for Citizenship Week/Antibullying week next week, please see some useful links to share with your child at home:

Safer internet links:

<https://www.safetonet.com/oddssocksday>

Colour the world with Kindness:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rwelE8yyYoU>

Key Dates:

- Citizenship week 11<sup>th</sup> November
- Odd Socks Day 12<sup>th</sup> November (Wear Odd socks)
- Children in Need day 15<sup>th</sup> November (Non-uniform day)
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November Reception parents coffee morning 9am delivered by Speech and Language Therapist.
- November 28<sup>th</sup> SEN parents coffee morning 9-10am delivered by Ealing Parent and Carer Forum.



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## Homework links

Year 1	<a href="https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Interactive.aspx?cat=104">https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Interactive.aspx?cat=104</a>
Year 2	<a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3tbwmn/articles/zykx6sg">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3tbwmn/articles/zykx6sg</a>
Year 3	Interview a friend or relative who's lived in a European country: what do they miss about their country, how is the climate, food, festivals, traditions, architecture, in their country different to the UK?
Year 4	<a href="https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button">https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button</a>
Year 5	<a href="https://www.theschoolrun.com/search/apachesolr_search/year%205%20forces?filters=">https://www.theschoolrun.com/search/apachesolr_search/year%205%20forces?filters=</a>
Year 6	<a href="https://uk.ixl.com/ela/year-6">https://uk.ixl.com/ela/year-6</a> (C.1, C.3, C.4) Mathletics practice (fractions, decimals and percentages)

**Notice from the office:** A blue inhaler was found in the playground at the end of the day on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov 2019. It is not one that the school has for children, so we assume it is a parent's. It appears well used with an expiry of 07/2020. If it is yours, please collect from the office.

## Attendance

Our whole school attendance for the week is: **97%**

### Class Attendance:

1. Sharman **98.4%**
2. Mozart 97.7%
3. Columbus 97.6%

Well done to Sharman class!

## House Points

*Our winning team this week was:*



## Year 3 visit to Gunnersbury Park



Year three had a fantastic time on Monday exploring what it was like to survive in the Stone Age. They spent the day at Gunnersbury Park holding Stone Age artefacts, using their knowledge from topic to discover what they could hunt and gather, how to build a shelter, use a bow and arrow and even helped to build a Neolithic style wall!



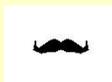
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## Our new Houses

Thank you to APPAA for donating the money for this art work to be commissioned. Each child belongs to a house so please ask your child which house they belong to. We will be using the houses for events like Sports Day etc in the coming months. Thank you.



## Movember



Movember is the leading charity changing the face of men's health, and this Movember, our male staff at Ark Priory are joining them. Together we can make a difference for men's health – in prostate cancer, testicular cancer, mental health and suicide prevention. Their target is £100. If you would like to support our male teachers, please use the link to donate. Thank you in advance.

<https://uk.movember.com/team/2358896>

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## Key Dates for Autumn 2:

Oral Health Workshop for Nursery and Reception Parents on **Tuesday 19th November** in the hall at 8.30am with Adele, Ealing's Oral Health Educator. The EYFS children will also receive an Oral Health workshop during the school day.

11-15 Nov	Citizenship Week (Anti-bulling)
Fri 15 Nov	Children in Need Day (non-uniform)
Mon 18 Nov	Phonics workshop for parents
Wednesday 27th Nov	Reception Parent's Coffee Morning at 9am delivered by Speech and Language Therapist
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	SEN Parent's Coffee Morning 9-10am delivered by Ealing Parent and Carer Forum.
Thu 5 Dec	Y2 Show (PM)
Fri 6 Dec	Y2 Show (AM)
Mon 9 Dec	Reception Nativity Play (PM)
Tue 10 Dec	Reception Nativity Play (AM)
Wed 11 Dec	Nursery Nativity Play
Thu 12 Dec	Carols Around the Tree @4:30pm
Fri 13 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Lunch
<b><u>Thu 19 Dec</u></b>	<b><u>Last day of term finish at 1:30pm</u></b>

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# Notices from APPAA\*

Follow us on Twitter @APPAA\_ArkPriory Contact us at [appaacommittee@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## 'Strictly Social' Event - A HUGE THANKS...

A huge thanks to all those who attended the Strictly Social Event on Wednesday. Miss Grasso and her friends were fantastic dance teachers and a big thanks to her for teaching us ballroom dancing and Salsa. Some parents were better than others (ahem) but a shout out goes to Dan and Souraya who won the first 'Ark Priory Academy Disco Ball Award' for their fantastic Salsa. Most importantly the night raised a total of £1350 (and counting) towards the Wishing Tree Fund. We are getting closer and closer to reaching our total so send your donations to <https://paypal.me/pools/c/8j8ceBn337> or contact [appaacommittee@gmail.com](mailto:appaacommittee@gmail.com) and let's try and hit the total before Christmas. More details below. If you have an IOU from the event please drop it through to Vic or Luciana in the next week.

## The Wishing Tree 2019/20 - LET'S RAISE THE TOTAL BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Thanks to the Strictly Social event we are working our way through the Wishing Tree list but there are still quite a few things we would love to get into the classrooms before Christmas. To find out what is left on the list for your year group (particularly years 2 and 4 then contact Charlotte Newlands, (mum to kids in year 1 and year 3), your class rep, or drop APPAA an email at [appaacommittee@gmail.com](mailto:appaacommittee@gmail.com).

You can donate via cash, cheque or transfer directly to APPAA (sort code 230580 account 13386072 - quote your name as a reference with Wishing Tree).

You can either donate to the fund in general or purchase a specific item. Thanks everyone!

## The Giving Machine - EARN MONEY WHILE YOU SHOP

Do you ever shop online at big retailers like EBay, Argos, Amazon, Sainsbury's or Boots? The Giving tree is a way to 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 and with the festive season coming up we'd love to see more people downloading the App. Currently about 10% of parents at the school do some shopping through the Giving Machine and it brings £500 a year to the school. Imagine if we could double or triple that number? If you need help downloading the app drop APPAA a mail at [appaacommittee@gmail.com](mailto:appaacommittee@gmail.com).

## 'Carols round the Tree' Christmas Event - DETAILS COMING SOON

Thanks so much to all of you who have volunteered so far to play a part in the 'Carols Round the tree' event in the run up to the winter break. There will be a meeting on Friday to make plans for this and details will follow. As always drop a note to [APPAAcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:APPAAcommittee@gmail.com) if you want to get involved. There will be no Christmas Fair this year as those committed parents who have been making this event happen since the school opened 5 years ago need a break. Let's use 2019 to pull

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together a whole new set of volunteers with the energy to make next year's Christmas fair one of the best ever.

### **Christmas / Greeting Card project - ORDER CARDS, PAPER AND GIFT TAGS ONLINE**

Your child's artwork has been returned so please check book-bags! You can visit [www.apfsorders.co.uk](http://www.apfsorders.co.uk) to see your child's artwork and make an order of cards, wrapping paper or gift cards. Just enter the CODE on back of your artwork and child's name to get started. If you have any problems please contact APPAA (Fiona McQuillan 07980417890). Thank you!

### **Year 3 Bake Sale - GET BAKING / BUYING**

There will be a bake sale for Y3 on Friday 8th October. Please get baking / making popcorn / dipping marshmallows in sprinkles. As always please make sure your contributions to the bake sale are nut free. If you can help set up / sell or are planning to bake please contact your year reps who will be in touch over the Whatsapp - all proceeds will go towards enrichment and activities (like trips to the theatre / museum) for all our children

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