

Headlines



Date: 13th May 2016

**ARK Little Ridge
Primary Academy**

Message from Miss Hawke, Deputy Head

Mr Drinkwater and I would like to say how pleased we are with the effort and determination shown by Cambridge and Oxford this week.

The SATs this year were so very different from those taken in the past: being much more difficult and more complex. The approach taken by the Year 6 children and the support shown by our parents has been fantastic to see and we would like to offer our thanks to the parents and our congratulations to the children. Whatever the outcome of the tests, we know our children did their very best and we couldn't have asked for more. We hope that the Year 6 children have a fabulous weekend and look forward to the auditions for our end of term play next week!

Miss Hawke and Mr Drinkwater

Keep in touch!

[Website/Facebook](#)

Parentmail - check your emails!

Weekly newsletter



Children's celebration bunting on Hastings Pier

Attendance this week

Registration groups and % attendance		Y3 Kingston	92.6
YR Surrey	96.6	Y3 Brunel	95.3
YR Canterbury	96	Y4 Cardiff	96.3
Y1 Goldsmiths	92.6	Y4 Chichester	95
Y1 Sussex	98.5	Y5 Aston	96.2
Y2 Bath	95.3	Y5 Leeds	94.6
Y2 Exeter	97.6	Y6 Oxford	98.2
		Y6 Cambridge	100
		Chester (SLC)	95

Transition Trophy Winners

Congratulations to Y6 Oxford and Cambridge, joint winners of this week's KS2 transition trophy and to Y2 Bath, winners of this week's KS1 transition trophy. Well done!



Please note that, after the next half term break, we will not be distributing paper copies of the newsletter. The newsletter will be published online on our website and be Parentmailed home to families. We have sent a Parentmail verification email to all those not yet registered for this service.

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Author Liam McCann visits Ark Little Ridge!



Liam McCann, author of the Year 5 class reader, 'The Battle of Boxhill', visited Little Ridge yesterday to spend the morning with the children. Children had the opportunity to listen to him talk about the books he has written and about the whole process of beginning to write a book. The children were really fascinated and asked some really thoughtful and interesting questions.

"It was exciting to find out what writing a book was really like. I always thought it was a much simpler process." (Brandon Peat)

"Liam explained how the cost of the book was divided up. I was really surprised at how little the author gets per copy." (Cougar Devlia)

[Further pictures](#) can be found on our website.



Walk to School Week: 16th – 20th May

We are challenging everyone to walk every day during Active Hastings' 'Walk to School Week' to help make a real difference to children's happiness and wellbeing. Why not join other local schools and their families to celebrate walking to school?

Active Hastings will give a trophy to the school that has the highest walk to school rate for that week. Each day classes will have a show of hands and find out who walked to school and have a total for the entire school by the end of the week.

In addition to the trophy Active Hastings will also offer 5 free lunchtime activity classes for the school that has the highest walking rate for the walk to school week.



Having a Spring Clean? Bag2School Collection Thursday 26th May

Children have been sent home with a blue sack which should be used to collect any second-hand items that you no longer want. If you have more than one blue sack worth, you can use a normal black sack to collect the extra.

The blue bags should be brought to the back doors of the upper hall **on Thursday 26th May** for a 9.15am collection. **Please do not bring your bags into school before this date as we have nowhere to store them**

This is the fifth time that we have run this scheme and we hope to improve on the £233.00 that we raised last time. **Please help with this fund raising scheme if you can.** You'll not only be helping the school, but it's also a great opportunity to have a spring clean of your wardrobe!

Dates for your Diaries

MAY		
16 – 20 th May	Walk to School Week	We are challenging everyone to walk every day during Active Hastings' 'Walk to School Week' to help make a real difference to children's happiness and wellbeing. Why not join other local schools and their families to celebrate walking to school?
23-27 th May	Y6 Bikeability course 1	3.15 – 4.45
6-10 th May	Y6 Bikeability course 2	Information sent home
24 th May	YR classes visiting Rare Breeds Centre	Information Parentmailed home
26 th May	Bag2School Collection	Bags to be brought to school before 9.10 on this morning only
JUNE		
Wed 15 th June	New YR 2016 parent meeting	6-7 pm
21/22/23 June	New YR 2016 pupils visiting	2-3 pm
24th June	Inset – school closed to pupils	
JULY		
2 nd July	PSA Summer Fayre	Details to follow

A full summary of [term dates](#) can be accessed from our website.

[Term dates for 2016/17](#) have now been published.