

Newsletter

Term 1

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Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to welcome you and your children back to Ark Little Ridge for the new school year. There has been a wonderful buzz around the school this week and children and staff are already working extremely hard. As you know we had a very successful year last year and we aim to build and improve upon that this year. It has been great to see all children looking smart in their uniform and school shoes this week, please can we ensure this continues as the year progresses. We continue our focus on the importance of reading, and would ask that you take the opportunity to read to and with your children at home whenever possible— this has a huge impact on learning!

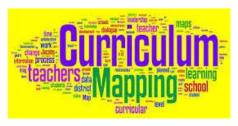
Staffing update

I would like to inform you that Mrs Phillip has received a promotion and will now be the Interim Head of School at Ark Castledown. We all wish her the very best in her new role.

We are also pleased to announce that Mrs Woolley will move into the role of Assistant Head from the start of this term. Mrs Beischer has been appointed as our SENCo and will take on responsibility for Inclusion and Special Educational needs.

For your information, you will find a complete list of class staffing arrangements at the end of this newsletter.

Once again welcome back and here's to a successful year!



What will your child be learning this term?

In the next week, we will be emailing home a curriculum overview for each year group to share with you what your child will be learning this term.

ClassDojo New Reward System

An email was sent home on Monday explaining our exciting new reward system that is starting this term. We believe this system will allow staff to create a really positive culture across our school and ensure pupils are rewarded for the excellent behaviour and successes we see every day. Do please take a look at the message.

Are you coming to our POP UP CIRCUS tomorrow?

Two performances: 1 pm (on the door tickets to be purchased at 12.30)
2.30 pm (on the door tickets to be purchased at 2.00)

After School Activity Clubs

Please take a look at our After School Activity Clubs for terms 1 and 2.

CLUB	START DATE	INFORMATION
Zumba	Monday 18 th September	Information /forms at office
Year YR/1/2/3		
Year 5/6 school football club	Mondays starting 18 th Sept	<u>Information</u> or forms at office
JAFFA (Jesus a Friend for All)	Tuesdays starting 12 th Sept	forms at office
Year 3/4/5		
Andy Stoodley football coaching	Wednesdays starting 20 th Sept	Information or forms at office
Year 3/4/5/6		
Year 1/2 Multi Sports	Wednesdays starting 20 th Sept	<u>Information</u> or forms at office
Dance Club	Thursdays starting 14 th September	Information or forms at office
Year 3/4/5/6		
Badminton	Thursdays starting 7 th September	Information/forms at office
Year 2/3/4/5/6		
Sama Karate	Fridays starting 15 th September	Contact or form at office
All ages		



Group guitar lessons are available for pupils in key stage 2 (years 3, 4, 5, 6). For details about the lessons, an information sheet can be obtained from the school office, or contact the guitar teacher direct:

Richard Butler East Sussex Music (ESM) guitar teacher

email: richardbutler@eastsussexgov.uk

tel no. 07833 294 985 or 01424 465 414

Details about the cost, and registering your child for guitar lessons are on the ESM website: eastsussex.gov.uk/music. An invoice for payment will be sent to you after the lessons have started.



Crossing Patrol Update

Unfortunately, Lochie our regular lollipop man, is still not fit enough to resume his work outside our school seeing everyone safely over the road. We are lucky at present however to have a relief warden helping us, so please say hello when you see her. She will be provided to us by ESCC for as much of Lochie's absence as possible, though please note there may be times when she needs to attend other schools when the crossing will again be unmanned, so we'd ask parents, carers and children to remain vigilant when crossing the road outside school.

Mystery Package

We've had a package delivered to school addressed to 'Holly Gillespie; Little Ridge Avenue'. We're keen to get in touch with Holly to pass this on, so if anyone knows her address or can put us in touch with her please advise one of our office staff.



Thank you to everyone who supported last term's book fayre; we raised £611 in FREE BOOKS for our school!

Attendance this week

DOJO WINNERS

Registration groups and % attendance		Y3 Kingston Y3 Brunel	96.5
			94.8
YR Surrey	100	Y4 Cardiff	94.8
YR Canterbury	98.9	Y4 Chichester	96.4
Y1 Goldsmiths	97.6	Y5 Aston	97.3
Y1Sussex	95.6	Y ₅ Leeds	96.4
Y2 Bath	92.6	Y6 Oxford	90
Y2 Exeter	99.3	Y6 Cambridge	94.3
		Chester (SLC)	90.8





This week's Achievers

Class	Name of pupil	Award	Class	Name of pupil	Award
Goldsmiths	Amellie Trevena	Rigour	Sussex	Thomas O'Reilly	Determination
	Jakey Chantler	Achievement		Rocco Rose	Achievement
	Whole class	Achievement		Whole class	Achievement
Bath	Ruby Weaver	Enthusiasm	Exeter	Eden Abson	Determination
	Thomas Kennedy	Achievement		Eligh Loureiro	Achievement
	Charlie Davey	Achievement		Mazen Ibrahim	Achievement
Brunel	Sophie Lau	Rigour	Kingston	Jack Loftus	Rigour
	Blake Baldwin	Achievement		Phoenix Chandler	Achievement
				Brampton	
	Stanley Histed	Achievement		Isabelle Piotrowski	Achievement
Cardiff	All of Cardiff	Integrity	Chichester	Anthony Fowlie	Emthusiasm
	Zane Wickens	Achievement		Hannah Stewart	Achievement
	James Barry	Achievement		Harrison Weaver	Achievement
Aston	Edward Chan	Generosity	Leeds	Macey Jackson	Rigour
	Logan Ellis	Achievement		Joshua Moor	Achievement
	Emma Mullin	Achievement		Molly Benton	Rigour
Cambridge	Sophia Baker	Rigour	Oxford	Jacob Beeson	Determination
	Miah Tovey	Achievement		Lily-Ann Finnelly	Achievement
	Toby Brett	Achievement		Macie Phillips	Achievement
Chester	Phoebe	Enthusiasm		<u> </u>	
	Katie	Achievement			
	Lily	Achievement		AAA	



Sat 9 th Sept	Popup Circus tomorrow!! <u>VIDEO</u>	<u>Information</u>
Wed 20th September	Y6 PGL Residential meeting for parents (Trip to take place 6-9 th July)	Information emailed home
Thurs 28th Sept	Y1 and Y2 visit to Fairlight Hall 'Field to Fork' Workshop	<u>Information</u> emailed home
Tues 3 rd Oct	Flu vaccinations for pupils in Years R/1/2/3/4	Information and consent forms from NHS to follow.
Thurs 5 th Oct	Special dinner menu for Mr Nourish's Birthday	Menu
Friday 20th Oct	School photographs	

Please remember to always check our <u>term dates</u> via our **website.** These dates are not always the same as East Sussex County Council schools. Paper copies of this year's term dates are available from the school office.

2017/18 Class Staffing (Teacher and Teaching Assistant)

Class	Staff
YR Surrey	Mrs Rose/Mrs Sharrod/Mrs Coleman
YR Canterbury	Mrs Crovetto/ Mrs Pickering
YI Sussex	Miss Patel/ Mrs Potten
YI Goldsmiths	Mrs Oakes/Mrs Christie
Y2 Bath	Miss Furness/Mrs Southgate
Y2 Exeter	Miss Booth/Miss Adams/Mrs Capps
Y3 Kingston	Ms Joliffe/Mr Squire
Y3 Brunel	Mr Diplock/Mrs Piper
Y4 Cardiff	Mrs Lennard/Mrs Morton Davage
Y4 Chichester	Miss Leeming/ Mrs Shewry-Maryan
Y5 Aston	Mr Johnstone/ Miss Glover
Y5 Leeds	Miss Warren/ Mrs Heath
Y6 Oxford	Mrs Scarlett/Mrs Playford/Mrs Wilkins
Y6 Cambridge	Mrs Cotman/Mrs Hrabi