



Ark Little Ridge Primary Academy

Newsletter

Term 6

14th July 2017

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Welcome to Castledown!



We are delighted to welcome Castledown to the Ark family of Hastings primary schools. Castledown, soon to be known as Ark Castledown Primary Academy, will become an Ark academy in September. The schools will be led by Lorraine Clarke, the newly appointed Regional Director for the Ark Hastings Primary Academies. We look forward to working closely with the staff, parents and pupils of the school next year.

Ark Blacklands Primary Academy in Hastings wins share of funding to help improve quality of teaching in their region.....

Blacklands is one of eleven schools to have won funding to boost the quality of teaching in our region through better use of research. Blacklands has been awarded the status of Hastings Research School in order to support other local schools with school improvement in the Hastings & St Leonards area. Working closely alongside Blacklands already, Little Ridge will continue to benefit from the strong school to school support that Blacklands and Little Ridge are so proud of.

The new Research Schools – part-funded through the Government's Opportunity Areas programme and part of a joint initiative between the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) and the Institute for Effective Education (IEE) - were unveiled by the Education Secretary Justine Greening at a summit hosted by the Sutton Trust on Wednesday.

Mystery at Magpie Manor



How proud we all are of our Y6s performances of the 'Mystery at Magpie Manor' to their parents and carers this week. The children were absolutely brilliant and had worked so hard at learning the songs and words. Well done to Mr Drinkwater, Mrs Cotman, and Mrs Hrabí and Mel Fletcher for all their work behind the scenes to make such a memorable occasion for everyone. [Take a look at our photos!](#)



PSA Summer Fayre

Many thanks to all who came and supported our Summer Fayre last weekend. The weather was amazing and we are extremely pleased to announce a grand profit of £2250.00.

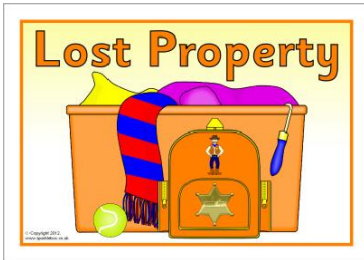
This sensational result is due to the many volunteers who worked extremely hard all day, stallholders, performers and importantly anyone who came along and spent some money!!

We are already arranging our next event - the pop-up circus –on 9th September. Tickets are all £5 and are available from the office. Thank you again, Jan, Wendy, Sandra, Tabitha, Mally and the rest of the PSA committee . [Take a look](#) at some photos!

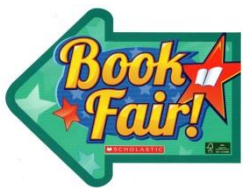


Medicines

If the office holds any medicines for a Year 6 child, please ensure they are collected by the end of term. Thank you.



Final Reminder for **unnamed, uncollected** lost property. Please check that your child has all their uniform and come and take a look if not. We do not have the space to store uncollected clothing – any named items are sent back to class but uncollected unnamed items will be recycled at the end of term. **Can we please stress the importance of naming all items of clothing.** Thank you for your support with this.



Thank you to everyone who came along to our Book Fair this week. It was lovely to see so many parents and families choosing books to read!

Attendance this week

Transition Trophy Winners

Registration groups and % attendance		Y3 Kingston	97
YR Surrey	99	Y3 Brunel	98.1
YR Canterbury	94	Y4 Cardiff	98
Y1 Goldsmiths	96.3	Y4 Chichester	97.2
Y1Sussex	99	Y5 Aston	95.8
Y2 Bath	96.3	Y5 Leeds	93.7
Y2 Exeter	97.6	Y6 Oxford	91.7
		Y6 Cambridge	97.2
		Chester (SLC)	90.9

Congratulations to Y6 Oxford and Cambridge, joint winners of this week's KS2 transition trophy and to Y1 Sussex, winners of this week's KS1 transition trophy. Well done!





This week's Achievers

Class	Name of pupil	Award	Class	Name of pupil	Award
Canterbury	Harrison Sawyer	Integrity	Surrey	Cody Mercer	Generosity
	Isabel Isted	Achievement		Shrida Khatiwada	Achievement
	Ellis Baker-Ozcelik	Achievement		Faye Hinton	Achievement
Goldsmiths	Emily Self	Rigour	Sussex	Mazen Ibrahim	Determination
	Charlie Davey	Achievement		Eden Abson	Achievement
	Cooper Tilbury	Achievement		James Mcgowan	Achievement
Bath	Caitlin Rivers	Enthusiasm	Exeter	Alyxis Kennedy	Enthusiasm
	Louis Wild	Achievement		Dimitrios Koumousidis	Achievement
	Kaan Baker-Ozcelik			Obai Ali	Achievement
Brunel	Ruby Bradsahaw	Generosity	Kingston	Gunnar Dunford	Generosity
	Kurtis Jackson	Achievement		Bradley Ripley	Achievement
	Alessio Pola	Achievement		Tia Cresswell	Achievement
Cardiff	Baxter Farmer	Determination	Chichester	Zac Lister	Rigour
	Ben Tucker	Achievement		Cody Cryer	Achievement
	Logan Ellis	Achievement		Niamh Gamwell	Achievement
Aston	Jamie Clark	Rigour	Leeds	Macie Phillips	Generosity
	Alina Urzica	Achievement		Miah Tovey	Achievement
	Lucy Legg	Achievement		Blossom Okines	Achievement
Cambridge	All of Cambridge for their fantastic enthusiasm performing Mystery of Magpie Manor!	Enthusiasm	Oxford	All of Oxford for their fantastic enthusiasm performing Mystery of Magpie Manor!	Enthusiasm
Chester	Freddie McCarthy	Determination			
	Ben Goldsmith	Achievement			
	Katie	Achievement			



Diary dates

Tues 18 th July	Moving Up Afternoon	All children will meet their new teachers
Thurs 20 th July	Y6 Graduation Prom/Disco	5.30 – 6.30 6.30 – 8.45 Information
Friday 21st July Last day of term. School ends normal time.	Whole School End of Year Assembly on school field. <u>Parents welcome</u>	09.30 NO ROCKING RIDGERS

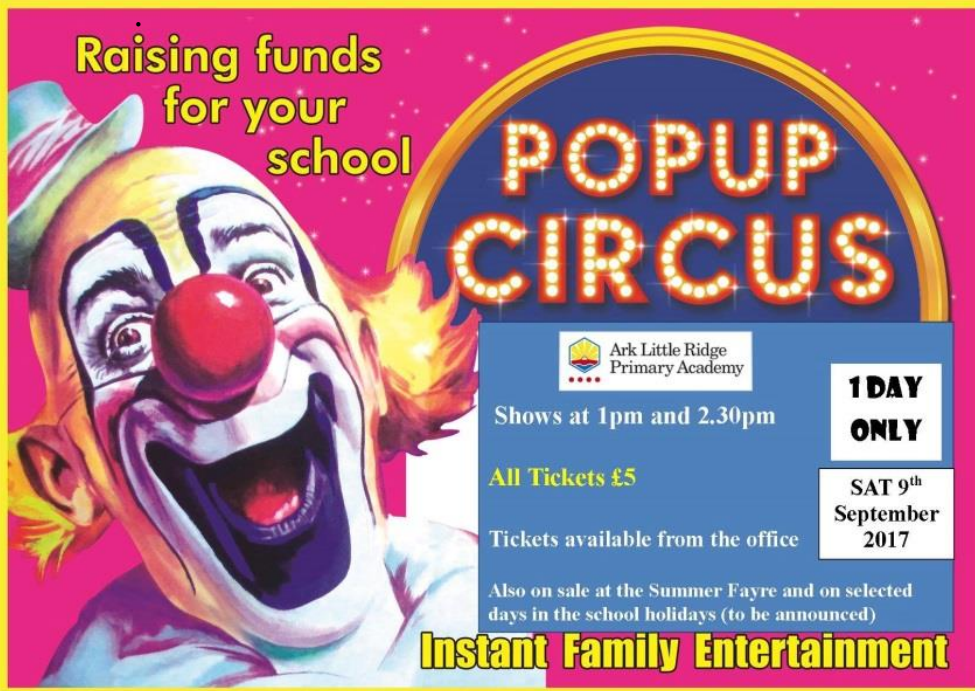
Monday 4th Sept	Pupils in Y1/Y6 return to school	
Saturday 9 th Sept	Popup Circus	Information

Please take a look at [next year's term dates](#)



What's for lunch next term? Please [click here](#) to go to September's School Dinner Menu.

The Circus is coming to Little Ridge!



Raising funds for your school

POPUP CIRCUS

Ark Little Ridge Primary Academy

Shows at 1pm and 2.30pm

All Tickets £5

Tickets available from the office

Also on sale at the Summer Fayre and on selected days in the school holidays (to be announced)

1 DAY ONLY

SAT 9th September 2017

Instant Family Entertainment

Guitar Lessons

Guitar lessons are available from East Sussex Music Service. Lessons are 30 minutes long and take place at school. During the academic year children receive a minimum of 30 lessons.

Further information, including [fees](#), can be found on the East Sussex County Council Music website or you can email the guitar teacher direct:

Richard.butler@eastsussex.gov.uk



PUBLIC MEETING 28 BUS CAMPAIGN

7pm Wed 19th July 2017

Mendham Hall

Vicarage/Plynlimmon Road

Hastings TN34 3LZ

Come and share your views and ideas with Stagecoach representatives and local councillors

*Stagecoach have cut the 28 bus service from hourly to every 70 mins.

*Stagecoach now run 1 less service a day

*The changes will be reviewed by Stagecoach in September



**LET YOUR VOICES BE HEARD
WE NEED A BETTER SERVICE
NOT A LESSER SERVICE**

Contact: hastings.bus28@gmail.com