



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents / Carers,

I cannot believe the end of the school year is upon us already: our term ends at 2.00pm next Friday, the 17th July.

During the final week of term we will be paying special attention to our Year 6 pupils, who will leave us shortly for their secondary schools. On Wednesday we will hold their graduation assembly, followed later in the day by their leaver's party. I am sure you will join me in wishing them every success in the future. Hopefully they will come back to visit us and share their achievements.

On Tuesday, four new teachers for September who could not make it to meet the teacher this week will come in to meet their classes: Miss McKinnon of Aberdeen class, Miss McBirnie of Newcastle class, Miss Lane of Bristol class and Mr Bell, our new Spanish teacher.

Just a reminder: there are no after school clubs in the last week of term. After school care will be available up until, and including, Thursday, but not on the last day of term.

Hope you have a great weekend.

Warmest regards

Janine Ryan
Interim Headteacher

Headteacher's thought for the week!

Life is like photography; we develop from the negatives.

10th July 2015

School Council

School councillors enjoyed a very special visit from our Chair of Governors, Mr Jonah Grunsell, this week. Councillors were given the opportunity to ask Mr Grunsell a range of questions and enjoyed hearing about what the Chair of Governors' role entails. Our class representatives asked questions such as 'How will you improve our school building and extend maths learning for higher level students?' Lively exchanges and discussions followed; an informative session for all!



Rock Climbing Trip!

The lunchtime club learned so many new skills whilst on their rock climbing trip on Tuesday. This included working as a team, trusting their instructor and most importantly, resilience: never give up. A great effort from all - well done!





Year 3 Topic Afternoon

Thank you to all the parents who attended our first Year 3 topic afternoon. They had an opportunity to make celtic biscuits, visit a Stone Age cave and make tools in our tool workshop. It was a wonderful afternoon and we hope to hold more events like this in the future. Thank you once again for your support!



Year 4 Drama Performance of Beowulf

Year 4's dramatisation of one of the oldest, most epic, Anglo-Saxon poems 'Beowulf' was warmly received by our year 4 parents on Wednesday. A hero, king and monsters were in full array and displayed acting, dancing and singing skills that were enjoyed by all. A special 'thank you' from Miss Penn to all who participated!



Year 5 and 6 Music Performance

Year 5 and 6 performed to their peers on Wednesday afternoon, showcasing their ukulele skills and singing ability. I must say, we are an extremely talented school!



Library Events

At Ark Franklin a dedicated group of parents are helping to redesign the school library and we are now asking for your help.

Have you grown out of some of your books?

Are there books at home that you don't read anymore?

Book Swap on the 16th July!

On Thursday 16th July we will be holding a **BOOK SWAP**.

We are asking you to donate any books that you no longer read for other children to enjoy in our library. Please bring along any books that are:

- In excellent condition.
- Have all pages present and unmarked.
- Are suitable and enjoyable for children to read.

Book donations can be made to the school office from Tuesday 14th July.

As a thank you...you can take a home a book for **FREE** from the KS2 playground on Thursday 16th July.

Our Library needs you!



From September we would love our children to be able to browse our school library and to choose books to read for enjoyment at home. We are looking for some parent volunteers to run our library for an afternoon each week.

If you would enjoy the opportunity to talk about books with our children and support them in choosing books to read, please contact Mr Prior.

Attendance

The whole school attendance for this week is **95.0** we will need to increase our efforts for the last week of school!

Classes with the best attendance for the week are:

Reception Goldsmiths 94.3%

Key Stage One (Years 1 & 2) Newcastle 99.0%

Key Stage Two (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) Nottingham 96.5%

Term dates

Please note the following dates:

Friday 17th July at 2.00pm	Summer Term Ends
Summer Holidays	
Tuesday 1st – Wednesday 2nd September	Staff Training Days
Thursday 3rd September	Pupils Return
Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September	Induction Meetings for Nursery and Reception pupils
Monday 7th September	Reception pupils start Nursery pupils will have a staggered intake during week commencing 7th September

Clubs – Important Notice

There will be no after school enrichment clubs taking place next week. Children will be able to sign up for new clubs in September.

School blazers for pupils joining year 5

As you are aware children in year 5 and 6 wear school blazers as part of their uniform. Children in year 4 have already been measured by the staff at ACE Clothing for their blazer. Please find the contact details below for ACE Clothing to arrange for payment and delivery or collection of your child's blazer for September.

ACE CLOTHING
Magnet Rd
Wembley HA9 7RG
020 8045 0296

www.aceclothing.co.uk/

Outstanding Balances

If you pay for nursery provision or dinner money for your child please ensure that you are completely up to date with payments. Thank you