



## Franklin Times

17<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Dear Parents

Liverpool and Oxford classes have been having fun on their adventure days in the garden this week. This year all classes will participate in an adventure day linked to the curriculum, as well as their weekly outdoor learning lesson.



**Our Foot to Foot Family Fun Run and Picnic is coming up on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June from 9.30-12.00 in Queens Park.**

**There will be separate races for nursery and reception children, Y1-3, Y4-6, and finally the adults, followed by a family picnic (bring your own picnic and rug). The fun run is being organised by our amazing PTA to raise funds for the art studio we would like to build, donations and sponsorship for the fun run can be given via our Justgiving page, set up for this purpose.**



<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/arkfranklin-artstudio>

**Next Thursday is Spanish day here at Franklin, all children will participate in dance workshops, key details are below:**

 **Spanish Day at Ark Franklin**  
**23 de mayo 2019**

**Schedule:**

Nursery & Reception: 9.30 - 10.00am  
Year 1 & Year 2: 10.15 - 10.45am  
Year 3: 11.15 - 11.45am  
Year 4: 12.00 - 12.30pm  
Year 5 & Year 6: 1.30 - 2.00pm  
Dance Display for Year 3, 4, 5, 6: 2.10 - 2.40pm

**Lunch:**

Lunch will be a selection of traditional Spanish Tapas including tortilla, ensaladilla, pinchos, croquetas and montaditos all with a selection of vegetarian options.

**Dress:**

Children should wear either red or yellow on the day however, please feel welcome to encourage children to come dressed in flamenco costumes and Spanish sombreros.

We are asking children to contribute £1 on the day at the school entrance.

**Following Spanish day the PTA will be holding a bake and uniform sale in the KS2 playground at 3.10pm.**



**Please bring all surplus uniform to the school office for resale, no shirts or underwear please and all should be laundered first. Thank you.**

**Next Friday is RE day at Franklin we will be focusing on Islam, children may wear their own clothes on this day.**

**Parking outside the school gates is an ongoing issue, I regularly get complaints from neighbours and our own parents about the selfish and dangerous behaviour of parents parking on the zigzags, double parking, and idling while waiting to collect children. Please desist**

**from doing this and prioritise the safety and well-being of our children.**

**Latest pollution figures show a 15% decrease at Franklin over the last six years, with current readings from our carpark pollution monitor at point 2 on the 1-5 scale. Currently we have pollution monitors and state of the art filters installed in the Reception classrooms allowing us to track and improve air quality over time, coupled with the planting of hedges around all our perimeters over the last two years and our new green entrance, we continue to try and ensure the best possible air quality for our children.**

**Calling all mothers who love netball, every Thursday from 7.00pm at the Moberly there will be a Franklin Mum's Netball Club, followed by socialising in a local hostelry, please contact Alexia on the PTA if you require further details.**

**Along with today's newsletter I have attached our Franklin Experience overview, this highlights some of the key experiences we plan for all children to have during their time at Franklin.**

**Well done to year six who tackled their SATs this week with dignity and pride.**

**Have a wonderful weekend.  
Warmest regards  
Janine Ryan  
Headteacher**

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**Headteacher's thought for the week:**  
Holding on is believing that there is only a past; letting go is knowing that there's a future.

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