



Dear Parents

I hope you all had an enjoyable Easter break and are enjoying this week's sunshine.

During our training day on Monday the early years teams (nursery and reception) were introduced to the new food curriculum we are starting at Franklin called Flavour School, I've included the link for your information <https://www.flavourschool.org.uk/>. Over the summer term the big topic will be food in reception and nursery, the method develops children's palates by using the five senses to engage with food.

Meanwhile, our catering team had their first of eight days training from Nicole Pisani, the chef who is spearheading the initiative, Chefs-in-Schools, an effort to bring top chefs into schools, resulting in appetising, healthy food cooked from scratch that encourages children to eat more widely, there is a feature-length article in today's Evening Standard magazine.



Tickets are on sale via the link below for the **Fork to Fork Food Festival** on Saturday 16th June: hurry as there is a limited supply!

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/fork-to-fork-food-festival-2018-tickets-42624660507?aff=eac2>

Reduced priced tickets for Franklin families are available via Wisepay.

All **clubs will start next week**, there are still places available, please contact the admin team for further information.

Have a great weekend.

Warmest regards
Janine Ryan
Headteacher

Headteacher's thought for the week:

Victory belongs to the most persevering.

News from the PTA

The PTA are still seeking year group reps, if you are interested please can you let the PTA know via p.franklin@arkfranklinprimary.org

Therapeutic Offer Update

With budgets shrinking and provisions that we have previously tapped into disappearing, I feel it is important that we always look ahead and try to develop therapeutic models in-house that are not dependent on external funding. Thus, the ground floor of the house now has a therapy/play room, which is used by a play therapist once per week, our speech and language therapist every two weeks, and by small groups at lunch times for Lego therapy and talking and drawing (co-teachers have been on training to support these models). While the middle floor studio has become home to the art room again for one afternoon per week (two of our co-teachers have been on training to support this). We are still continuing with our therapy through music sessions and survival group on Fridays, as well.

If we feel your child would benefit from any of these therapeutic models we will contact you.

All key dates can be found on our website <http://arkfranklinprimary.org/>