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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well World Book Day has been a great success and I loved seeing the creativeness of the children, and families, in designing costumes and even this year: decorating vegetables! Thanks for all your support in making this a really special event for Ark Franklin. This week's newsletter is slightly lighter, we will send a bumper edition mid-week next week with all the photos from World Book Day.

Thanks also for completing the parental feedback survey. It has provided some really useful insights into how we can move forward as a school, I will write separately with more insights into the feedback and our response as a school.

To repeat previous messaging from this newsletter, if you did have cause to identify a concern in the survey, we are always very keen to hear about these. Senior leaders are at the gate each day, or you can always email or call the school with feedback, or book an appointment. We often don't know that something is wrong until you tell us and will always listen to any concern, no matter how large or small.

Further strike action is planned for the 15th and 16th March – under two weeks away. I will write to you separately on Tuesday next week to confirm what the school's arrangements will be.

Have a very nice weekend.
Pete Watkins
Headteacher

ARK FRANKLIN COMMUNITY FOOD INITIATIVE

Please note that this initiative will continue for the foreseeable future so don't forget to bring in your food bank donations on Mondays. To sign up to receive donations, click this link: - www.bit.ly/Arkfoodgifts



Attendance



Class	Percentage
Nursery Middlesex 2022	94.30
Rec Athens 2022	99.63
Rec Kingston 2022	92.72
Rec NTU 2022	92.06
1 Brighton 2022	95.26
1 Liverpool 2022	97.78
1 RAD 2022	95.02
2 Goldsmith 2022	93.70
2 Bath 2022	97.05
2 Winchester 2022	97.04
3 Nottingham 2022	95.88
3 LCM 2022	95.90
3 Sussex 2022	96.17
4 Durham 2022	91.11
4 Queen Mary 2022	99.59
4 Newcastle 2022	97.78
5 MIT 2022	95.79
5 Canterbury 2022	93.87
5 Cambridge 2022	93.65
6 Limerick 2022	97.22
6 GSA 2022	93.78
6 Sheffield 2022	98.89
Whole School	95.65

Guided Meditation for Kids

Please follow [this](#) link to access a recording made and generously shared by one of our parents that will support children with mindfulness, relaxation and meditation.

ABSENCE REPORTING – REMINDER

When reporting absence, please ensure that all communications come via the school office using the info@arkfranklinprimary.org address, phoning up, or popping into the office. You can also email a teacher about an absence if you wish, but please make sure the office is Cc'd in the email. Thank-you.



Upcoming dates

Wednesday 1 st March	Adventure day – Canterbury Class
Friday 3 rd March	“World” Book Day
Monday 6 th and Tuesday 7 th March	EYFS Parent Meetings – Reception and Nursery
Monday 6 th March	Adventure Day - Cambridge
Wednesday 8 th March	Adventure Day - MIT
Monday 13 th March	Adventure Day - NTU
Tuesday 14 th March	Adventure Day - Kingston
Monday 20 th March	Adventure Day - Athens
Tuesday 21 st March	Height and weight measurement of Reception and y6.
Thursday 30 th March	Class Photos
Friday 31 st March	Final day of term
Tuesday 18 th April	First day of summer term

BIZ KIDS

Many Ark Franklin pupils attend Biz Kids, run by a parent here at the school. It is a live online workshop that runs every Monday from 4:30 – completely free and open to everyone from years 3-6. The focus is on entrepreneurial skills and many special guests come and speak to the children to inspire and educate in this area. Please do check them out at:

<https://www.biz-kids.co.uk/>

This week at Franklin

The author Banji Alexander visited the school this week, here are some photos of the assembly:



These clever mathematicians from Athens class know their number bonds





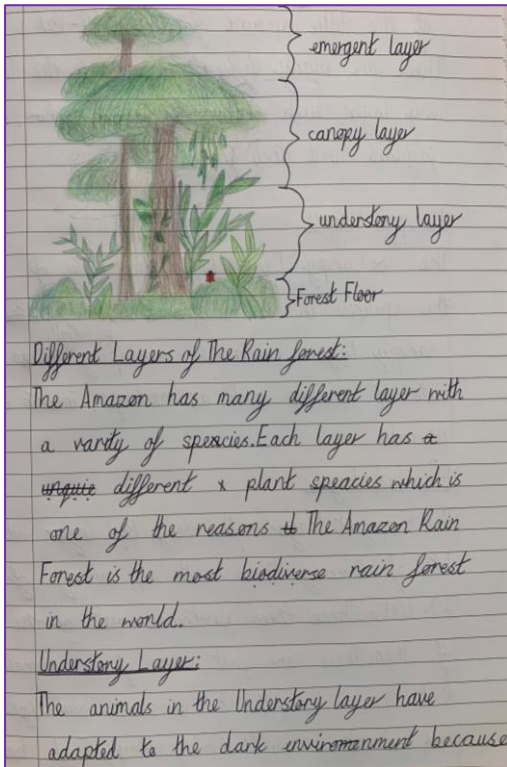
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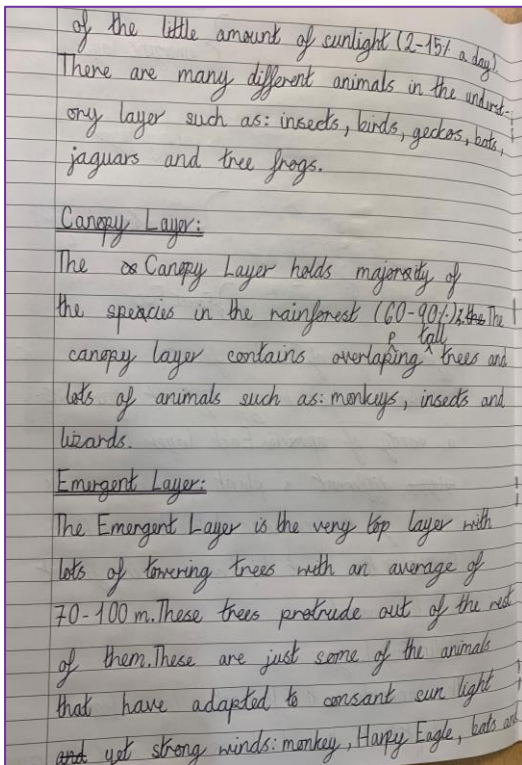
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Some excellent writing from Millie in year 6



weaving a "God's Eye", from the Huichol people of Mexico.



Adventure day in Canterbury Class – the children were lighting fires, drawing maps and



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SEND Parent Carer 'coffee and chat' monthly meetings.



**We invite you to join us
On
Mondays**

Next date Monday 6th March 2023

6th March, 17th April, 15th May, 5th June & 3rd July

10-11.30am

**Willow Family Wellbeing Centre SEND
Barnhill Road
Wembley
HA9 9DF**

**Join us and meet with other likeminded parents in a relaxed setting to hear about SEND services in
Brent =.**

Nearest Tube Station Wembley Park

This is your group, so join us to tell us what topics you would like to receive more information

Dates: 6th Feb 23, 6th March 23, 17th April 23, 15th May 23, 5th June 23 and 3rd July 2023

please email admin@brentpcf.org if you have any questions. We are really looking forward to seeing you Or
call 07852101492.

Brent Parent Carer Forum CIC in partnership with Willow SEND Family Well Being Centre