



Many Minds One Mission.



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Ark Franklin Newsletter

6th November 2015

Dear Parents

Welcome back! I hope you all had an enjoyable half term and have returned ready for all the wonderful learning opportunities and excitement that awaits us here at Ark Franklin this half term.

I am sure many of you have noticed that our amazing geodesic dome has landed in our garden over the half term break. Over the coming weeks all classes will have the opportunity to spend some learning time in the dome. Meanwhile, year six will set up the raised beds when they arrive in two weeks and develop a growing plan for the coming year, along with Cathy Maund from Hammersmith Community Garden Association: very exciting times ahead for us all.

A number of children are coming to school without their ties, please ensure your child arrives in the morning in their full school uniform; ties are available to purchase from the school office.

Have a good weekend and we look forward to seeing you from 8.30am on Monday.

Warmest regards
Janine Ryan
Headteacher



Headteacher's thought for the week

To be what we are, and to become what we are capable of becoming, is the only end of life.

Attendance

Our whole school attendance is currently 95.4%, let's keep it up and hit our target of 96% this half term.

100% Attendance Raffle and Dojo Prize Winners!

The 100% attendance prize winners for the first half term are:

Dean Dempster (Reception Chester)
Maria Gooding (Year 1 Canterbury)
Maya Vassell (Year 4 Brunel)
Mohamed Abdela (Year 6 Bristol)

Many congratulations to our overall dojo winners for lower and upper KS2 for last half term:

Rebecca Douglas Gonzalez - 140 points!
(Year 3 Aberdeen)

Georgia Macapagal – 200 points!
(Year 5 London)



Pupils who are awarded over 150 dojo points can select a lucky dip prize!

New Entrance for Breakfast Club

All children participating in our pre-school provision **must** use the Nursery gate entrance on Harvist Road. The main office entrance is no longer available.

Nursery and Reception Open Mornings

We will be holding open mornings on the following dates, if you wish to attend please call the school or email

info@arkfranklinprimary.org

Nursery open mornings:	
25th November 2015	9.30 – 10.30am
13th January 2016	
Reception open mornings:	
Nursery parents who would like to apply for a Reception place are invited to join us on one of the dates below:	
10th November 2015	9.30 – 10.30am
1st December 2015	
11th January 2016	

Important information regarding applications for Reception:

Who can apply	Children born between 1st September 2011 and 31st August 2012
Deadline for applications	15th January 2016

Important information regarding clubs...

Children attending Art club started back yesterday to replace the session they missed on Parents' Evening.

Capoeira club will start on Monday. Places are still available, please contact Mrs De Lucia for more information.

All other clubs will start as of next Monday 9th November.

School Photographs

The school photographers will be in to take family portraits, individual student and staff portraits and sibling portraits on Monday 23rd November. Please ensure that your child is wearing their full school uniform on this day.

We need your help!

We would love for any parent volunteers to help support our 'lending library' one afternoon per week.

PTA Meeting

Additionally there will be a meeting at 9am, next Thursday 12th November for any parents interested in helping to set up our PTA Steering Group.

If you would like to participate in either of the above please email Mrs Piers: c.piers@arkfranklinprimary.org

Poppy Appeal

Our school councillors will be collecting donations until the 12th November so please do bring any donations into school with you. The poppy is a powerful symbol - it is worn to commemorate the sacrifices of our Armed Forces and to show support to those still serving today and their loved ones.



Key Dates

10th December	Winter Fayre
Christmas performances:	
Monday 14th December	Reception Performance 14:15
Tuesday 15th December	Years 1 and 2 Performances 10:00-10:30 14:15 – 14:45
Wednesday 16th December	Nursery Performance 10:00 Years 5 & 6 Carol Concert at St Johns 13:30
Thursday 17th December	Years 3 & 4 Variety Show 14:15
Friday 18th December	RE day (non-uniform day) Term ends
Monday 21st December to Tuesday 5th January	Christmas Break
Wednesday 6th January	Pupils Return

