



Edition 2 - 20th September 2019

## A Message from the Principal

It has been an exceptionally busy week here at Ark John Archer. Many thanks to all the parents who attended our Meet the Teacher events over the course of the week. I hope that you all found the meetings useful. If you were unable to attend the meeting please do make an appointment with your child's class teacher. The final one is on Monday for Reception class.

Many discussions have ensued over the course of the week regarding homework and home learning. The curriculum maps that were sent home at the start of the year are intended to not only give you information about your child's learning, but are intended also to give you some ideas of how to extend learning at home—visits to galleries, making models etc. Please also make sure that your child is accessing IXL. We are introducing Mathletics this week for the children to use at home—log in details will be sent home by Friday. Mathletics brings extension to mathematics learning through interactive activities, games and challenges for students both in the classroom and at home. Mr Critchlow will be offering some parent workshops (details to follow next week) on how it can be used at home. Reading, Spellings and Times Tables practice is also expected as part of the home learning package. I know that you will continue to support your child at home with their learning - thank you.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Best wishes

*Moira Cruddas*



## Attendance

Winners of the class attendance award this week are

**Year 5M with an amazing  
100% attendance**

**Well done !!**

Whole school attendance this week was much improved... **96.6%!!!**

**A huge well done to 3M whose  
punctuality was 99.5% this  
week!**

*"The power of habit is great..."*

## Autumn A Value

### Aspiration

*A willingness to try hard to succeed  
and achieve your potential*

## Birthdays

**Nursery:** None

**Reception:** Jacob Akyeampong

**Year 1:** None

**Year 2:** None

**Year 3:** Kaycee Brawn and Rayan Mohmuud

**Year 4:** Malique Tennant and Ibrahim Ibrahim

**Year 5:** Benjamin Shyngle

**Year 6:** Hannan Ali

**Happy Birthday from everyone at Ark John Archer!**



## Star Awards

<b>Reception</b>	Ameerah Anwar
<b>Year 1</b>	Hasnaa Osman
<b>Year 2</b>	Branden Phillips
<b>Year 3</b>	Ismail Omar and Maleek
<b>Year 4</b>	Zayn Chowdhury
<b>Year 5</b>	Kyriess Brawn
<b>Year 6</b>	Whole Class!



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## Notices

### School Uniform

I am aware that a number of you are still waiting for your uniform to arrive; but just a reminder—ALL children in Years 5 & 6 are expected to wear a blazer and all children are expected to wear the full school uniform with black shoes. Please do come and speak to me if you are experiencing any difficulties.

### Secondary School Applications

Please don't forget that the closing date for applying for Secondary Schools is **Thursday 31st October 2019**. Please do not hesitate to speak to me if you need any help during the process.

### ESOL Parents Workshop

Are you interested in learning English? Please do come along to our Free ESOL sessions every Thursday from 12:30–3:00 p.m.

### Website

You will find all our policies; for example, our Behaviour, Curriculum & Safeguarding Policies, on our website—[arkjohnarcher.org](http://arkjohnarcher.org)

### Key Dates

**MacMillan Coffee Morning**—Friday 27th September 2019

**Ark Network Day—School Will Be Closed**—Friday 4th October 2019

**Show Case Week** – Week Beginning Monday 14th October 2019 (*more information will follow next week*)

**Principal Coffee Morning**—Wednesday 16th October 2019 @ 9:00 a.m.

**Last Day of the Autumn A Term** – Friday 18th October 2019

**First Day of the Autumn B Term** - Tuesday 29th October 2019