



Ark John Archer Primary Academy

Newsletter

Autumn 2019

Friday 11th October 2019

A Message from the Principal

A HUGE thank you to everyone who came to our International Event after school on Wednesday. It was a beautiful celebration of food, music, cultures and our community. It was also a perfect way to come together and celebrate our first half term together. The hall was a sea of colour - I was humbled by your generosity. Thank you again... Already looking forward to the next event!

Over the course of the half term our focus has been on consistency - ensuring there is a consistent approach to the teaching of the children; consistency in our approach to improving attitudes to learning and improving the climate for learning. The children - and the staff - have worked really hard and Show Case Week next week will give you the opportunity to share in your child's learning. I would really welcome your feedback and observations after these events, so please do come and talk to me over the next week. Without your feedback, improvements cannot be made.

I will also be having a coffee morning on Wednesday 16th October 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Please do come along.

Another focus this half term has been ensuring our children are in full school uniform. I totally understand that there was an issue with Mapac and there was a delay. Over the half term break can we please make sure that we have our children ready for the new term ahead and that our children are wearing black shoes to school - trainers are to be worn for PE only. Also Year 5 & 6 are expected to wear blazers. Please do come and speak to me next week if you are experiencing any difficulties.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend... see you all on Monday!

Best wishes

Maira Cruddas



Attendance

Winners of the class attendance award this week are

**Year 6F with an amazing
96.3% attendance**

Well done !!

Whole school attendance this week was... **96.3%!!!**

A huge well done to 5MG who were 100% on time - again - to school, this week!!

100%

Autumn A Value

Aspiration

A willingness to try hard to succeed and achieve your potential

Birthdays

Nursery: No birthdays this week

Reception: No birthdays this week

Year 1: Hasnaa Osman and Martina Vicente Fernandez

Year 2: No birthdays this week

Year 3: No birthdays this week

Year 4: Jabril Mahamud and Jordan Taylor

Year 5: No birthdays this week

Year 6: Tegan Kasirye

Happy Birthday from everyone at Ark John Archer!



Star Awards

Reception	Tiffany Maronilla & Ameila Gumienna
Year 1	Ayden Campbell
Year 2	Bushra Sahraoui
Year 3	Hassan Sadiqi & Leo Preece
Year 4	Charlie Hersey & David Josan
Year 5	Marwan Hazel & Anton Reid-Clarke
Year 6	Ibrahim Omar



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Notices

Reception Open Mornings

Our first Reception Open Morning/Evening is on **Tuesday 15th October**. There will be one at **10:00 a.m.** and one at **6:00 p.m.** The deadline for your application is **Wednesday 15th January 2020**. If your child is in our Nursery then you must make sure that you apply for a place. All applications are made through the Wandsworth website:

<https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schools-and-admissions/admissions/primary-school-admissions/apply-for-a-primary-school-place/>

ESOL Parents Workshop

Do you want to improve your English? Ark John Archer is happy to offer parents and carers a free ESOL class through English for Action. The class is at school (in the cottage) on Thursdays from 12:30 to 2:30. All levels welcome. For more information call Dermot (ESOL teacher) on 07789 006 248 or just pop in.

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.

Homework Club

There is a homework club starting at St. Peter's Church from 3:15 - 4:45 p.m. every second **WEDNESDAY**

Website

You will find all our policies; for example, our Behaviour, Curriculum & Safeguarding Policies, on our website - arkjohnarcher.org

Key Dates

Show Case Week – Week Beginning Monday 14th October 2019

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