



Friday 8th October 2021

## A Message from the Principal

We are fast approaching the end of this half term and we have now settled firmly back into the routines and expectations of school life. As the weeks progress we will get an emergence of some of the sickness bugs that we haven't seen for a while and the 'super cold' has certainly affected some members of our staffing team. Hand washing is the one habit we can't ignore and please join us in reminding your child to keep their hands nice and clean especially if they have a cold.

Last week I explained that Home Learning is an expectation of all of our children. Children in Key Stage 2 all have a laptop issued by the school to support this. It not only supports independence in their learning, it does help them with their Reading and Maths. Year 3 parents/carers... please do come and pick up your child's Chromebook device... the kit is there for your child to use and to extend and enrich their learning .

Attendance has been consistent this half term... but the odd day off here and there can add up to your child's attendance being below 90% Please do make sure that you keep us regularly informed if your child is unwell. We can give advice and we are here to support you.

Finally, thank you for all of your support towards Mr Prior. He completed the London Marathon last Sunday in an amazing 3 hours and 55 minutes! He has raised well over £2,000 for Great Ormond Street Hospital - a brilliant achievement and an inspiration for our children... they too could be marathon runners!! #RunMrPriorRun #DreamBelieve

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and thank you once again for your amazing support. See you on Monday!  
Best wishes

*Maira Cruddas*



## Attendance

Winners of the class attendance award this week are...

**Year 5W with...  
100% attendance!!**

**This is amazing!!**

**Well done!!**

For a third week in a row, whole school attendance this week was...

**95.3%!!!**

**Lets aim for 96% next week!**

**Autumn A Value**

**Aspiration**

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

**Mr McCormick's PE Star of the Week**

My star of the week is **Jamari** in **4E**.  
Amazing this week in PE. You have great potential to go on and achieve great things in the future. Keep pushing yourself for greatness. You've got this!



This week's Mathletics Champions are  
**6F and 6R!**

Outstanding athletes.  
Crushing the competition.

Keep it up!

This week's Times Tables Rock Stars  
are **5G and 5W**

Brilliant work....You rock!

Special mention for **Fairoz** in **5W**

You have worked hard to really improve your times tables. Mr Critchlow is loving your enthusiasm and excitement.

**Birthdays**

**Reception:** No birthdays this week

**Year 1:** No birthdays this week

**Year 2:** No birthdays this week

**Year 3:** No birthdays this week

**Year 4:** **Zakirah Benjamin**

**Year 5:** No birthdays this week

**Year 6:** **Jordan Taylor**

Happy Birthday from  
everyone at Ark John Archer!

**Star Awards**

<b>Year 1</b>	Mahmoud Ahmed
<b>Year 2</b>	Sofia Krikeb
<b>Year 3</b>	Neeve Cadore
<b>Year 4</b>	Kimberly Onwukwe
<b>Year 5</b>	Fairoz Abdalla and Trey Danso
<b>Year 6</b>	Annabel Onwukwe and Rochelle Sigalat

**Well done to all the children!**

**Notices**

*Citizens UK - Lets Get AJA Talking*

Citizens UK and AJA community: We're expanding our horizons!

*Hello AJA,*

We have been working together to plan our next action on local housing issues - expect an update soon!

We also had a really productive meeting last week on what else to focus on as a group, as well as housing issues. We all decided we would start to plan and campaign for creating better opportunities for our children in the local area.

If you've got ideas, want to join us for a cup of tea or are just curious to see what we talk about, come along to our next meeting at **9am Wednesday 13th October** in the cottage and get in touch with Rory to find out more:

rory.morgan@citizensuk.org or 07508 535 917.

*Key Dates*

**Ark Network Day - School Closed**

**Friday 22nd October 2021**

**Half Term - Monday 25th - Friday 29th October 2021**

**INSET Day - Monday 1st November 2021**

**All children to return**

**Tuesday 2nd November 2021**