



Ark John Archer Primary Academy

Newsletter

Autumn 2022

Friday 9th September 2022

A Message from the Head of School

A very warm welcome back to school to our pupils, parents, carers and staff team. I hope you all enjoyed the summer break and made the most of the heatwave! It has been great to see our pupils settling back into school life, catching up with their friends and meeting their teachers. It's been a busy week getting back into routines - I'm sure they will all sleep well this weekend!

Uniforms are looking sharp, pupils are arriving on time for lessons to start and attendance for the first week is looking good. All of these factors make a difference when it comes to learning and achieving our **aspirations**.

As we move into the second week of learning, it's important that we keep this going - where challenges arise, please know that overcoming these is a collective effort and we will continue to work alongside you - communication with myself and the AJA team is key.

Next week, our trip schedule is up and running with Year 2 visiting Battersea Park Zoo and Year 4 visiting the Science Museum for an 'It Takes Guts!' workshop. These are all great opportunities to enrich learning and broaden pupils' experiences. The week ends with a sleepover at the Science Museum for our Year 6 pupils on Friday night - following an evening packed with activities, workshops and shows!

Swimming lessons for Year 5 (Monday) and Year 6 (Thursday) also start next week. All pupils across Key Stage 2 will have the opportunity to swim at some point this year - a letter has been sent out explaining this in detail.

On behalf of all the staff, we wish you a happy and restful weekend and look forward to seeing you all on Monday for another great week!

Best wishes,

Glenn Prior



Today we join the rest of the nation in mourning the passing of Her Majesty The Queen.

On behalf of the AJA community we offer our sincerest condolences to the Royal Family and all who are in mourning.

Attendance

The first week back has seen some great attendance in many classes - particularly *Reception and Year 6!* It seems it wasn't just the staff who were eager to get back to school!

The winners of the class attendance award this week are...

1A with 98%!

The whole school attendance for this week is...

94%

Autumn A Value:

Aspiration

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

Aspiration Awards

Reception	Angel May Campbell
Year 1	Rawhen Mostafa and Celine Kamali
Year 2	Rosemond Oppong Yeboah
Year 3	Deen Chowdhury
Year 4	Caylen Austin Graham
Year 5	Nur Hussein
Year 6	Ismail Omar

Well done to all the children!

No birthdays at Ark John Archer this week...



Autumn Term PE Days

Reception: Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Year 1: Mondays and Thursdays

Year 2: Mondays and Fridays

Year 3: Tuesdays and Fridays

Year 4: Mondays and Fridays

Year 5: Mondays and Tuesdays (Swimming on Mondays)

Year 6: Thursdays and Fridays (Swimming on Thursdays)

Pupils should only be wearing their full PE kit on their PE days. Full school uniform should be worn on all other days.



Meet the Teacher

Come along and meet the team who will be teaching your child this year.

Reception - Monday 12th September

Year 1 - Friday 9th September

Year 2 - Monday 12th September

Year 3 - Tuesday 13th September

Year 4 - Monday 19th September

Year 5 - Thursday 15th September

Year 6 - Wednesday 14th September

Each meeting will take place from 2:30pm to 3:00pm on the dates shown above.

This week it's time to get back on to **Mathletics**.

Mathletics

A great way to get quicker and to gain confidence at answering those tricky Maths questions!

Who will win next week?

Big shout out to Princess and Naveen from 5F who have spent the most time rocking out online this week. What a fantastic start to the new academic year!



You ROCK!

Notices

Website

You will find all of our policies, e.g. our Safeguarding Policy, Attendance Policy, our Uniform Policy as well as up to date information. On our website Our great AJA Curriculum is also available to read as well as keep up to date with what the topics are for the half term...

<https://arkjohnarcher.org/>

Food Vouchers

If any of you require food bank vouchers, please do contact Mr Prior, Ms Cruddas or Ms Stobie. If you do require any support at all with uniform or food vouchers or anything in general, know that this matter will be dealt with in the strictest of confidence. We are here to help and support you.

Keeping Safe

Please remember to keep each other and your family safe during this time. If you ever feel at risk or unsafe when you are out and about... you are free to take shelter in our front office. If you have any safety or safeguarding concerns please do speak to Mr Prior, Ms Cruddas or Ms Young at any time... we are here to help, support and to listen. #KeepAJASafe

Key Dates

Ark Network Inset Day

Friday 21st October 2022

School closed for pupils

Half Term

24th - 28th October 2022