



Friday 11th March 2022

A Message from the Principal

The weeks seem to be flying by as we continue to step into the Spring Term. 3 weeks down, and 3 weeks to go.

As you are all aware, I took the decision to close the gate at 8:55 a.m. to encourage better punctuality to school. In some respects it has lowered the number of children arriving late to school, but it is still presenting as a problem. There are still too many children coming through the gate at and after 9:00 a.m. Registration is at 9:00 and legally children need to be sat at their desk for this time. If you are late every day, that adds up to 3 days lost learning over the academic year. I totally understand that the tube strikes of late created more traffic on the road. I totally understand public transport can also make us late. I totally understand the times the alarm doesn't go off, These are reasonable excuses. Playing games or watching TV is not a reasonable excuse for being late to school. As a team we are all ready to welcome the children and are on time for work... Let's make a HUGE effort and work together to be on time more for the rest of the academic year.

Attendance is improving even though we are still battling with cases of C-19 and all of the other seasonal illnesses that have popped up to remind us that they still exist. Regular hand washing is the key so please do continue to encourage this. As always thank you for your continued support.

This week I sent out some information about ways to support the children if they are asking questions about the events unfolding in Ukraine. Please do reach out to us if you are affected by any of the events... as a community we will continue to support one another.

I look forward to seeing you all next week for another great week. Please do look after yourselves, and most all... Look after one another!! See you all on Monday!

Best wishes

Maira Cruddas



Attendance

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

Year 1A with...

98.6% attendance!!

This is great, well done!!!

Whole school attendance quite a bit lower than last week...

95.9%

Let's get to 96%+ next week! We can do it!!

**Spring B Value
Community**

Working together and sharing the same values.

Star Awards

Reception	Valeria Gordillo Gaucho
Year 1	All of 1A!
Year 2	Alexandria Shay Henry
Year 3	Javarae Davidson Lee and Deniro Parkinson
Year 4	Elizabeth Nurse
Year 5	Beatrice Osei
Year 6	Christian Vaz and Maryam Asadi

Well done to all the children!

Mr McCormick's PE Star of the Week

My star of the week is... **Javarae in Year 3.** Congratulations on a fantastic week in PE. You are now demonstrating great maturity towards your learning. You have lovely manners. Keep up the great work.



Birthdays

Reception - Maryem Sahari

Year 1 - No birthdays this week

Year 2 - Abdullah Ahmed

Year 3 - Sayen Manichelvan

Year 4 - Jamari John

Year 5 - Dan Ezekiel Bautista

Year 6 - No birthdays this week

Happy Birthday from everyone at Ark John Archer!



This week's
Mathletics
Champions are

6F and 6R

Crushing the
competition.

Keep it up!



This week's Times
Tables Rock Stars
are

4E

Brilliant work

You rock!



Home Learning Champions...

Congratulations **6R** on the highest home learning completion rate this week. Excellent work!



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/>

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 Ms Cruddas at any time... we are here to help, support and to listen. #KeepAJASafe

Key Dates

Last Day of the Spring Term

Friday 1st April 2022

Easter Holidays

Monday 4th—Tuesday 19th April 2022

All children to return

Wednesday 20th April 2022



Ark John Archer
Primary Academy

LATENESS

Being late adds up to a
loss of learning.

If you are late every day, that adds up to over
3 days lost learning a year.

Fifteen minutes late is the same as being absent
for **TWO WEEKS** a year.



5 minutes late = **3** days lost learning



10 minutes late = **6** days lost learning



15 minutes late = **10** days lost learning



20 minutes late = **13** days lost learning



30 minutes late = **19** days lost learning

**Please help your
child to be punctual.**

**If you are worried about
your child's attendance,
please talk to us at
school about it.**