



Ark John Archer Primary Academy

Newsletter

Autumn 2022

Friday 16th September 2022

A Message from the Head of School

It's been another great week here at AJA!

The term has really started with a bang - while we can only celebrate just a few achievements in our Friday Celebration Assembly, it's already proving difficult for teachers to choose just one pupil from their class each week - our children have come back to school with an infectious approach to, and enthusiasm for, learning!

This week, Year 2 enjoyed a visit to Battersea Park Zoo where they saw lots of monkeys, emus and colourful birds! Year 4 took a trip to the Science Museum today, learning about the digestive system and taking some time to explore the museum's exhibitions. Swimming lessons for Years 5 and 6 also started this week and were a great success!

Many of our children have also been busy at home continuing their learning on Seesaw, Mathletics and Times Table Rockstars! This is a really effective way for children to practise the things they have learned in class across the week. Thank you all for your support in encouraging completion of home learning. Please do continue to reach out to myself or the team if you have any difficulties accessing or completing home learning - we can always solve a problem!

Next week, Year 3 are taking a cruise down the river, travelling on the Thames Clipper before disembarking at Tower Bridge to learn all about how the bridge works and opens. The AJA Choir (Wednesday) and Samba (Tuesday) clubs begin. Please sign up at the school office or on the letter provided to pupils.

From myself and the team here at AJA, we wish you all a safe and restful long weekend.

Best wishes

Glenn Prior



This weekend we join the rest of the nation in reflecting on the passing of Her Majesty The Queen. On behalf of the AJA community we offer our sincere condolences to the Royal Family and all who are in mourning.

School will be closed on Monday 19th as this is now a bank holiday.

Attendance

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

Reception with 97%!

This is wonderful attendance from our youngest members of the school!

The whole school attendance for this week is...

93%

There has been some illness this week, and there often is at the start of a new school year - working together, we can improve on this percentage - our aim next week... over 95%.

**Autumn A Value:
Aspiration**

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

Aspiration Awards

Reception	Rihanne Wiltshire
Year 1	Genevieve Jordan Edwards
Year 2	Idris Patel
Year 3	Hayden Callender
Year 4	Neeve Cadore Cabulo
Year 5	Radwa Mohamed and Texas Campbell
Year 6	Rayyan Ali Mahmoud and Nihal Elmi

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.

After School Care Provision

Boom Sports joined AJA as our new after school care provider at the beginning of this new academic year. The provision runs from Monday to Friday 3:30pm to 5:30pm. Click on the link below for further details - costs, how to book etc:

<https://www.boomsports.co.uk/product/aftercare-aja/>

Boom Sports will also be holding daily after school activity clubs from 3:30pm to 4:30pm. The link below will give you all the details you need to book a place:

<https://www.boomsports.co.uk/wraparound/ark-john-archer/after-school-clubs-aja/>



This week's
Mathletics
Champions are

3L

Crushing the
competition.



Keep it up!

This week's
Times Tables Rock
Stars are

6R

Brilliant work.



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

The Queen's Funeral Bank Holiday

Monday 19th September

Ark Network Inset Day

Friday 21st October 2022

School closed for pupils

Half Term

24th - 28th October 2022