



Friday 24th September 2021

A Message from the Principal

We have continued to ensure our children are #ExcitedAboutLearning in another great week here at the school!

Year 3 took advantage of the wonderful weather and took a clipper ride on the Thames to Tower Bridge. The children were so excited about the learning and information that was gathered on the trip. I was inspired by their bravery of watching the bridge open through the glass floor panels... It is a pleasure to take the children out and about; they represent our community brilliantly.

Children in Year 3 & 6 have been given the opportunity to go swimming this year... something that we have really missed over the last 18 months. Swimming is a such an important skill and the National Curriculum does state that children need to be able to perform safe self-rescue in different water based situations; swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres and use a range of strokes effectively, for example, front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke. Over two weeks of swimming, the children have grown in confidence in the water. Lets keep AJA swimming and lets keep safe!

Thank you to those parents who came to the Secondary School Information sessions over the week. I am going to schedule some more meetings in but please do come and see me if you need any advice or guidance or have any questions regarding the process.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Monday!

Best wishes

Maira Cruddas



Attendance

**Winners of the class
attendance award this week
is...**

**Year 5G with
98.4% attendance
Well done !!**

Whole school attendance this week was a little lower than last week at...

**95.3%!!!
Lets aim for 97% 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 **Eleanor** in **3M**. Congratulations on a fantastic week in PE. You are a joy to teach, you always follow instructions and have such a calming and caring nature. Keep up the brilliant work.



This week's Mathematics Champions are

3M!

Outstanding mathletes.
Crushing the competition.
Keep it up!

Mathletics



This week's Times Tables Rock Stars are

6F and 6R

Brilliant work....You rock!

Birthdays

Reception: Ruweyda Mohamuud

Year 1: Zaniyah Davidson

Year 2: No birthdays this week

Year 3: No birthdays this week

Year 4: No birthdays this week

Year 5: Kaycee Brawn and Rayan Mohamuud

Year 6: Malique Tennant and Ibrahim Ibrahim

Happy Birthday from everyone at Ark John Archer!

**Star Awards**

Year 1	Amir Laatabi
Year 2	Reon Blake
Year 3	Eleanor Budd
Year 4	Naveen Zeeshan
Year 5	Siobhan Taylor Parker and Maleek Palmer
Year 6	Aaliyah Omar, Hudaifah Patel and Aysia Flanders

Well done to all the children!

Notices*Food Vouchers*

If any of you require food bank vouchers, please do contact Ms Cruddas. 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

Website

Mr Prior has worked incredibly hard over the past few months to make the website more accessible. Please do use it to access learning for your child and for up to date information. You will also find all of our policies, e.g. our Safeguarding Policy, Attendance Policy, our Uniform Policy and many more. Our great AJA Curriculum is also available to read. <https://arkjohnarcher.org/>

Keeping Safe

Please remember to keep each other and your family safe during this time and keep distanced from each other in the playground. #KeepAJASafe

Key Dates

Show Case Week — They will be returning week beginning: Monday 18th October 2021. More information to follow...

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

INSET Day - Friday 22nd October and Monday 1st November 2021

All children to return Tuesday 2nd November 2021

