



Friday 26th November 2021

A Message from the Principal

This half term, our Reception children have been learning about 'The World Around Us'. The children have been travelling around the world and visiting lots of different countries and a massive thanks to the parents for sharing information about their countries and cultures. It is such a lovely way to celebrate our amazing community. To all the parents and families - thank you for enriching our children's learning.

As we move into the final weeks of this half term I have noticed there are lots of children arriving to school way after 9:00 a.m. These darker mornings don't help and I do understand it can be difficult to get up in the morning. I also understand traffic and public transport delays. The gates are open from 8:30 a.m. The half an hour window is enough time for the whole school to be in on time as learning starts at 9:00 a.m. It is a legal requirement to get your child to school on time - please can we work together and get back on track... lets get to school on time.

Just a little reminder about Home Learning. All children are expected to access their Home Learning via SeeSaw and to complete their learning over the week. We are more than happy to ensure there are paper copies available for the children. Spellings, Mathletics and TimesTable Rockstars are a quick win for Home Learning and encourages the children to keep on top of the key skills for the mental recall of number and writing. To me... the most important aspect of Home Learning is Reading. Reading to yourself, reading to someone else, reading together... what a great way to escape for a short period of time. There is no end to the benefits of reading... #LetsGetCaughtReading.

Thank you again for all of your support and I hope you all have a lovely weekend. Please do keep safe and look after yourselves, and most all... Look after one another!!

Best wishes

Maira Cruddas



Attendance

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

Year 4E with...

99.6% attendance!!

This is FANTASTIC!!

Whole school attendance this week was a very poorly...

94.9%

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

Autumn B Value

Respect

***Treating others the way you want
to be treated***

Star Awards

Reception	Chaniyah Halley Francis
Year 1	Brielle Adu
Year 2	Aisha Hassan
Year 3	Ibrahim Mohamuud
Year 4	Hibba Ali
Year 5	Echedey Garcia Mendez
Year 6	Sapphiya Gordon, Sadaf Kohistani and Malique Tennant

Well done to all the children!

Mr McCormick's PE Star of the Week

My star of the week is... **Sylvia** from **5W**.

Congratulations on a fantastic week in PE. You always remember your manners, without fail. You are so respectful. Keep up the great work!



Birthdays

Only one birthday this week at AJA...

Abdurahman Jamal
from 4E!

Happy Birthday Abdurahman from everyone at Ark John Archer!



This week's Times Tables Rock Stars, with the most improved speeds across the whole school, are

1st place - Abdirahman from 4E

2nd place - Inaaya from 3M

3rd place - Princess from 4E

Brilliant work.

You rock!



Home Learning Champions...

Congratulations **5W** 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

Christmas Holidays

Monday 20th December to Tuesday 4th
January 2022

All children to return

Wednesday 5th January 2022



Together As One