



Ark John Archer Primary Academy

Newsletter

Autumn 2022

Friday 30th September 2022

A Message from the Head of School

We are now one month into the new academic year - already we have achieved so much. All pupils at AJA should be congratulated for their efforts in learning, the way they have shown the values of the school and their dedication to achieving their aspirations! **#TeamAJA**

Our children have benefitted from a great range of trips to enrich their learning - many return to school with enthusiasm and new knowledge to apply into their learning. This week has been no exception - Year 2 visited Hampton Court Palace where they discovered more about Kings and Queens, while Year 1 visited a local park.

Next week, we look forward to inviting our Year 6 parents into school to share both the successes and next steps for our pupils as they embark on an important year of learning. Already they are showing a positive mindset and dedication to achieving well...let's keep the momentum going!

While attendance is much improved this week, I am going to ask that in the upcoming weeks, we have a collective effort towards ensuring that pupils are in school on time. Missing the first part of the day can be very unsettling, as this is when teachers talk through the timetable for the day and take the register. Missing the start of a lesson can lead to slower progress, as children miss the key information they need to succeed. There is a large window for getting children to school on time, with gates open in the mornings for 25 minutes between **8:30-8:55**.

As always, please do speak with myself or a member of the AJA Team if you are having difficulty in bringing pupils to school on time - we are here to support you all and understand when difficulties arise.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend,

Glenn Prior



Attendance

It's been a much better week for attendance across the school - with any luck we are on the other side of the coughs, sneezes, sore throats and bugs that have resulted in lower attendance so far.

The whole school attendance this week is...

97%!

This week's winning class are...

2F with 99%!

A great effort from everyone - let's keep it going!



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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.

Autumn A Value:

Aspiration

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

Aspiration Awards

Reception	Rihanne Wiltshire
Year 1	Jaheim Eastmond Bezzina
Year 2	Aisha Kofurow
Year 3	Reon Blake
Year 4	Tre Cadore and Eleanor Budd
Year 5	Aaliyah Blake and Branden Phillips
Year 6	Dan Ezekiel Bautista

Well done to all the children!

Birthdays

Reception - No birthdays this week

Year 1 - No birthdays this week

Year 2 - No birthdays this week

Year 3 - **Mustafa Ali, Adam O'Connor and Ridwan Mohamed**

Year 4 - No birthdays this week

Year 5 - **Sean Wright Gammell**

Year 6 - No birthdays this week

Happy Birthday from

everyone at Ark John Archer!



This weekend, Mr French will be running the London Marathon in aid of the charity **Get Kids Going**, a charity that supports children who were not born with the physical abilities so many of us take for granted and yet have the same hunger and determination to play and enjoy sport.

From all of the community at AJA, we wish you the best of luck Mr French...not that you need it!

This week's
Mathletics
Champions are

6R

Crushing the
competition.



Keep it up!

This week's
Times Tables Rock
Stars are

5F

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. The AJA Curriculum is also available to read, with updated information on the topics for each half term and overviews of what your child will be learning <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. **#TogetherAsOne**

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