

ARK Ayrton Primary Academy



News Letter – 1ST May 2015

KS2 Year 6 SATs Week

This year's KS2 SATs week is from 11th - 15th May 2015. We are really proud of our year 6 children who we know will show off their wonderful learning to their very best during this week. Please can I remind parents that it is very important that all Y6 children are in school on time during that week. Breakfast will be available from the Monday through to Thursday for all of our year 6 children to ensure they have the best start to the day before their SATs begin.

Please can we remind you all that bikes and scooters should be walked on and off the playground rather than being ridden. There have been a number of near misses recently so children have been reminded of this playground rule.

Come relax and unwind

POP IN FOR A COFFEE AND A CHAT IN THE PASTORAL ROOM EVERY Wednesday morning from 9.00 - 10.00 am

Meet other Parents/carers with Debbie, Behaviour Support Worker. (Unfortunately there is no coffee morning 6th May)

Safeguarding

In line with our Safeguarding policy and guidelines, we are not permitted to share information about a child with anyone other than those with parental responsibility. If you would like the option of us discussing your child with, for example, a new partner or family member who may be dropping/collecting your child, please come and see Mandy to complete & sign paperwork to this effect.

Home Reading Winners!

Congratulations to University of Leicester who won the Home Reading Trophy. A big thank you and well done to the pupils and their parents who regularly read their home reading books. Sharing a book with your child is so important. It not only helps them improve their reading skills but also their listening and communication skills. Have a look at the links below and remember you can always talk to your child's class teacher if you need ideas of how best to help your child.

Studies show just 10 minutes of reading every day will have an impact on your child's future!

<http://www.wordsforlife.org.uk/>

<http://worldbookday.com/2013/09/books-beyond-bedtime-just-10-minutes-of-reading-a-day-can-make-a-dramatic-difference-to-a-childs-educational-attainment/>

Assembly

Parents/carers are welcome to join us for their child's assembly. These are held on alternate Friday afternoons from 2.50 pm. There will be a crèche available for younger siblings if you would like to take advantage of this facility. Pushchairs and prams are not allowed in the hall.

Friday 8 th May 2015	Year 1 - Universities of Loughborough and Exeter
Friday 22 nd May 2015	Reception - Universities of Oxford and Kings
Friday 5 th June 2015	Nursery - University of Warwick (to be held in nursery)
Friday 19 th June 2015	Year 6 - University of Edinburgh
Friday 3 rd July 2015	Year 5/6 - University of Birmingham and University College London

School Dates

Monday 4 th May 2015	School closed for Bank Holiday
Tuesday 5 th May 2015	School open
Friday 15 th May 2015	Year 6 visit to Queen Elizabeth Country Park
Wednesday 20 th May 2015	Year 3 visit to Manor Farm
Monday 25 th May 2015	School closed for half term
Monday 1 st June 2015	School re-opens for Summer Term 2
Monday 3 rd June 2015	Year 4 visit to Southsea Castle
Wednesday 24 th June 2015	Year 4 visit to Portchester Castle
Friday 26 th June 2015	School closed - Inset Day

Tuesday 30 th June 105	Universities of UCL and Birmingham visit Kings Theatre - am only
Monday 6 th and Tuesday 7 th July 2015	Transition days in school - year 6 pupils to visit their new secondary schools
Wednesday 22 nd July 2015	School closed for Summer Holidays
Thursday 3 rd September 2015	School re-opens for Autumn Term 1

Attendance

Each week the class with the highest attendance is awarded the attendance trophy and certificate. We also have an attendance shop where children are able to earn up to 1 point a day. They can then use these points to exchange for prizes, the more points they earn the better the prize.

Week Ending	Class with Highest Attendance
27.3.15	University of York - 99%
02.4.15	University College London - 97.1%
20.4.15	Universities of Surrey and Leicester both with 98%

We want everyone to try really hard to be at school every day and on time. Don't forget to phone our attendance line if your child is going to be absent through ill-health. If you receive a text from our Attendance Officer please try and reply either by text or by phoning. It really does help if we know why your child is absent from school or if your child is going to be late to ensure they receive a school meal. Thank you for your support.

And finally.....

Put your heart, mind, and soul into even
your smallest acts. This is the secret of
success.

Swami Sivananda

Mrs J Fleming
Headteacher

