

ARK Ayrton Primary Academy



News Letter – 8th September 2014

A very warm welcome back to school to everybody. I do hope that you managed to enjoy at least some time away and found time to relax for a few days with your children. I am glad to say that the children have returned to school smartly dressed, polite, positive and eager to learn. As one child, in Year 4, said to me, 'I'm sooo excited to be back'. It made my day!

I would like to extend a special welcome to our new children and parents in reception and throughout the school. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's Teacher or Teaching Assistant if you have any questions or concerns.

Our newsletter will be sent home regularly with dates for your diary, information about class visits, visitors to school and parent/carer events. Please make sure you read these and make a note of any important dates relating to your children.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

From this term, all four to seven-year-olds in state-funded infant schools in England will be entitled to a free hot meal at lunchtime every day. A new menu will be sent out as soon as we have received it from the Caterers. This will help you choose your child's meals with them.

School Uniform Sale

We have lots of school trousers, skirts and shirts available to purchase for £1 per item in various sizes and PE t-shirts and shorts, mostly large sizes. First come first served. Come into the school hall on Tuesday 16th September from 3.00 to 4.00 pm

PE KIT

Please ensure that your child brings his/her PE kit to school each Monday & takes them home each Friday to be Washed and returned on Monday

School Dates

Friday 24 th October	School Closes at 3.20/3.30 pm for Autumn half term
Monday 3 rd November	School Closed: Inset Day
Tuesday 4 th November	School Closed: Inset Day
Wednesday 5 th November	Back to school
Friday 19 th December	Christmas holidays close at 3.20 pm
Monday 5 th January 2015	School Closed: Inset Day
Tuesday 6 th January 2016	School re-opens at 8.45 am (nursery) 8.55 am (school) for Spring Term

Class Assemblies

We encourage parents/carers to join us for your child's assembly which take place on alternate Fridays at 2.50pm. There is a crèche available for younger siblings if you would like to take advantage of this facility.

19.09.14 - Year 6 (University of Edinburgh & University College London)

03.10.14 - Year 5 (Universities of Bath & Birmingham)

17.10.14 - Year 4 (Universities of Cardiff & Surrey)

07.11.14 - Year 3 (Universities of Durham & York)

21.11.14 - Year 2 (Universities of Leicester & St Andrews)

05.12.14 - Year 1 (Universities of Loughborough & Oxford)

09.01.15 - Reception (King's College University & Oxford University)

We do hope you will come along to support your child. We are so proud of our class assemblies and hope you enjoy coming to see your child just as much as they love to see you there.

We have a new KANO club starting soon for children in years 5 & 6. Children will learn how to assemble a computer from scratch, and learn basic coding skills. If your child has a place on a club you **WILL** receive a text message. You **WILL NOT** receive a text if your child does **NOT** have a place on a club. If your child was not successful this time you will be able to re-apply from week commencing 20th October 2014. There are very limited places still available on Singing club (yrs 4, 5 & 6), Kinect (all years), Sewing (yrs 4, 5 & 6) and Office Duties (KS2). Parents/carers are asked to make a note of ALL clubs their children are on and to collect them on time.



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 win up to 1 point a day. They can then use these points to exchange for prizes, the more points they win the better the prize. So make sure your child comes to school on time every day.



Yours sincerely

Mrs J Fleming
Headteacher

This years Parents'
Handbook is
being given out
with this
newsletter

