



Head's Message

Despite this week being a shorter week due to the Inset day tomorrow, Friday 16th March, it has been one of our busiest yet!

We have been celebrating STEM week, with each class exploring a different engineer and we were even lucky enough to meet the engineer, Anita Soni, in a whole school assembly.

On Wednesday, we had not just one... not two... not three... but FOUR different trips taking place! Our Year 1 children took to the water in their swimming lesson. Year 2 embarked on their weekly visit to Greensleeves Care Home and showed excellent perseverance to walk all the way back to school when they encountered travel problems. Facing a similar situation were Year 4 and Year 5 who enjoyed a spectacular performance of 'Matilda' in central London. Thank you to all the parents who waited patiently for their children to return to school! Alongside these trips, 35 children from all year groups took part in the Pelican Musical Performance and sung their hearts out. The room was filled with an enormous sense of aspiration. We wish them good luck for their second show tonight!

From all of these trips, I have heard glowing praise about the children's behaviour from Ark Conway staff, parents and even from staff who worked at the theatre showing Matilda, saying that Ark Conway were 'the most well behaved group' they had ever encountered.

We received further praise from 'The Inspiration Trust' who visited us this week. We welcomed five headteachers who were so impressed by our class ambassadors and by what Ark Conway has managed to achieve since we opened.

Have a lovely long weekend and we will see you all on Monday morning.

🎵 Composer of the Week



Our composer next week will be:
Benjamin Britten

Attendance

This week the attendance figures are:

1 st	Austen	99.33%
2 nd	Dahl	98.62%
3 rd	Lewis	97.67%
4 th	Dickens	97.00%
5 th	Shakespeare	95.00%
6 th	Potter	90.33%
7 th	Carroll	90.69%

Celebration Assemblies

Friday 23rd March – Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6

Dates for Your Diary

Next week...

23rd March – Year 3 trip to Natural History Museum

23rd March – Sport Relief day

23rd March – Parent Forum School Disco

Further ahead...

28th March – Year 1 trip to Kew Gardens

29th March – School closes for Easter at 1.30pm

16th April – INSET day

17th April – School re-opens for Summer Term

Home Learning

Reception: Write numbers 1-20 and practise saying them forwards and backwards (Please put this on Tapestry).

Year 1: This week we've started a new unit in Maths: "Length and Weight". Carry out some length and weight investigations in your home! What are the heaviest, lightest, longest and shortest objects in your home? How do you know? How tall are you? How much shorter are you than your parents? Can you measure your ingredients when cooking?

Year 2: Write an instructional text on how to make your favourite food.

Year 3: How would you explain how volcanoes work to a Year 1 child?

Year 4: What different cities do you know in the UK?

Year 5: Use the graph paper provided to reflect shapes of your choice in the x or y axes - ensure the new coordinates are noted down.

Year 6: Worksheet on measures to be completed and brought in for Monday's lesson.

Welcome

We would like to introduce you all to Nicole Mitchell, who will complete our new Receptionist team. Nicole will be working at the Front Office, beginning on Monday 19th March, between the hours of 12:30 and 17:00 and we invite you to introduce yourselves so she can get to know the community of Ark Conway.

Parent Forum Disco

Parents' Forum invites everyone to the Ark Conway School

D.I.S.C.O!!

Friday 23rd March

4pm-5.30pm in the School Hall.

Free Entry. Cakes, savoury food, mocktails and disco accessories will be on sale.

Children must be picked up at 4pm as per normal by a parent/carer and supervised throughout (those at After School Care will attend).

Dancing shoes recommended. Shapes will be thrown.

Sports Relief Day

On Friday 23rd March, we will be raising money for Sports Relief by wearing sporty clothes to school. All donations should be placed in your child's bookbag in a sealed envelope.

More information will be shared nearer the time about sporty activities that we will be doing on the day!



Book Donations

We would like to remind you that we will be collecting all book donations in a book bank in the school foyer, between now and Wednesday 21st March, in order to expand our book collection for our new library. Books should be:

- new or in very good condition
- appropriate for primary aged children

Thank you!

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