



# ARK Conway Primary Academy

## NEWSLETTER

### Headteacher's Message

#### Welcome back for the summer term

This term will mark a number of important landmarks for ARK Conway. Our Year 1 children have their Phonics screening check in the week of Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June and our Year 2s will be assessed in Reading, Writing, Mathematics and Science for their end of Key Stage SATs.

During this time it is important that children do not feel overburdened or stressed about 'tests'. The children's love of learning and enjoyment of school will always be a priority over test scores. The tests are only there to give us as a school an indication of how well we've delivered the curriculum.

This term we are also looking forward to Arts week, Sports day, open day to welcome our new cohort, and the KSI football tournament (with ARK Atwood and hopefully a few other schools this year).

It looks like it will be an incredibly exciting term. Please keep reading the school newsletter so that you are aware of all the dates for your diary. Have a great weekend.

### Attendance

**Carroll class: 98.9% - Excellent start!**

Potter class: 95.6% - Nearly there...

Dahl class: 94.8% - Below target this week

### Stars of the Week

The stars of the week, for showing 'respect' are:



Nathaniel



Stanley B



Jazmine



Antigona



Ariana



Joe W

### Value of the Week

The value of the week next week will be: **Respect.**

The composer of the week next week will be: **Sir Hubert Parry.**

### Notices

#### Swimming lessons

Please don't forget your swim kit on Monday if you are Year 2 and on Friday if you are in Reception for your very first school swimming lesson!

#### Y1 trip to the Science Museum

Please return your child's consent form for the Science Museum trip by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April. If you are available to help as a parent volunteer, please speak to Miss Carver. Thank you.

## Open Morning for Parents

We will be inviting parents of pupils who are currently at the school to an 'open morning' on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May. This is a great opportunity to come and see how we teach and learn a bit more about the curriculum. Mr McBeath and Miss Oldham will be showing parents what happens on a typical day at ARK Conway, as well as providing information about the curriculum and standards.

We will be running two sessions:

1. 9:00am – 10:00am
2. 10:30am – 11:30am

If you would like to come along, please book your space with Mrs McCormick or Miss Martin. Spaces are limited so please book as soon as you can!

## Parent Reading Groups

We currently have 2 sessions each week, when we ask parents to support our teaching of reading by volunteering to read with children and act as 'librarian' by changing books. A key part of the session involves building a relationship with an identified group of children in order to read and discuss books with them. For this reason we ask that parents commit for a half term. If anyone is interested in helping out on a Monday or Friday afternoon before the summer holidays, please speak with Miss Oldham. Thank you.

## Bank Holiday Monday

We wish you all a lovely Bank Holiday weekend and look forward to seeing you back at school on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

## Year 2 trip to London Zoo on Tuesday

