



## Head's Message

We've had a great week this week with a number of outings from school and a dose of sunshine! Next week is our Science Week, with a focus on scientific experimentation and aspiration. It is also our half-termly 'assessment week', when we take stock of learning over the past few weeks and plan next steps to ensure progress continues. We, as teachers, are continuously assessing and planning, but next week it is *extra* important for children to be in school, on time and well rested so that they can demonstrate their learning clearly.

## Dates for Your Diary

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016:** Sport Relief Day

### Parents Meetings

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March:** Reception and Year 4

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Year 1 and Year 2

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March:** Year 3

## Celebration Assembly

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016:** Year 4 Assembly. (KS2 parents all invited)

## Attendance

This week the attendance figures are:

1st	Potter Class	98.00%
2nd	Dahl Class	97.67%
3rd	Lewis Class	96.13%
4th	Carroll Class	94.00%
4th	Dickens Class	94.00%

## Composer of the Week

Next week our composer will be:

**Arvo Pärt**



## Home Learning

**Reception:** See EYFS News.

**Year 1:** Design a new planet. What is it like?

**Year 2:** Would you rather live in Ghana or Morocco? Why?

**Year 3:** What weather is dangerous for humans?

**Year 4:** What causes rivers to dry up or become polluted?

## Stars of the Week

For showing respect, our stars of the week are:



Morgan



Oliver



Emma



Kabe



Hamza



Muhammad



Lexie



Amiah



Maya



Trixie

## Notices

### Sport Relief

Next Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016, is Sport Relief Day. Linked to our value of aspiration, pupils are asked to come to school dressed as their favourite sports star for a £1 donation. Please place this in your child's bookbag. On Friday afternoon, the whole school will be completing a 'Sponsored Mile' on roads around school from 3pm onwards. We will need parent/carer volunteers to support this event so please do let Miss Carver know if you can help. Alternatively, if you want to cheer us along for part of our mile and help us raise money, we will be walking along the following roads: Clematis Road, Yew Tree Road, Daffodil Street, Wallflower Street and Hemlock Road. We would love to see some cheering parents on our journey! Dahl class will also be organising a 'Sport Relief' cake sale at 4pm.



### Easter Lunch

Easter lunch will be served on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016. Please order on Wisepay before Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March. Thank you.

### Science Week

During British Science Week (14<sup>th</sup> –18<sup>th</sup> March 2016) there will be several fun, science-related activities including class experiments, workshops and a whole school assembly with Scientists. See next week's newsletter for Science news and photos of our week.

### Mathematics Challenge

Four pupils from Years 3 and 4 went to Ark Oval on Monday to compete in an Ark wide Mathematics Challenge. They had to complete four really tough challenges including logic, problem solving and speedy arithmetic. All their hard work paid off when they came second overall in the competition. Huge congratulations to those involved.



### Win Tickets to see Adele

Sold out around the world, this might be your only chance to go and see Adele's world tour! Ark Priory Academy's PTA, APPAA are very lucky to have been given two tickets to the final London night at the O2 of Adele's live world tour. They have kindly invited us to take part and are offering us a share of the ticket sales in return. They have 4,000 raffle tickets for sale online. For every ticket you buy you will earn Ark Conway Primary Academy 20% of the value. (Please make sure that you select Ark Conway when you are checking out otherwise we will not get the money!) Raffle tickets are £5 each and you can buy them online at [www.appaa.org](http://www.appaa.org).

### Reception Trip to Odds Farm

As part of their 'Animal' topic, pupils from Carrol class went on a trip to Odds Farm on Tuesday. They really enjoyed bottle-feeding the goats and watching a rabbit show. There was also a super soft play area and adventure playground. It was a very successful trip.



### EYFS News

This week has been action-packed for Reception and what adventures we have had consolidating our topic learning at Forest School, Odds Farm and 'Bring your Pet to School' Day! The children gained some great ideas for their riddles and are excited about presenting them to parents and siblings after next week's assembly. Please come and join us if you can! A massive thank you to Frederick's mummy and Oliver's mummy for accompanying us to Forest School. Thank you also to Frederick's mummy and Suki's parents for their help on our school trip. Further thanks to Marian, Riz and Sav for bringing in pets on Thursday for Carroll class to enjoy. Finally, a massive thank you to the parents who were able to attend the Parents Workshop this morning. The support we receive from you all is overwhelming and hugely appreciated. Next week we will be delving into the world of mini-beasts. Ideas for home learning: you could find out some facts about insects, you could make a model of a mini-beast, you could practise some subtraction equations. Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Hyslop and the EYFS team