



Head's Message

Happy Friday everyone! This week, pupils have been showing respect in many different ways, particularly in their roles as respectful audience members. We were treated to performances from our Zumba club and also our Year 5 and Year 6 choir and it was brilliant to see children avidly watching their peers. On that note, we are all looking forward to seeing the greatly anticipated Carroll Class Nativity next week! Similarly, staff and pupils are filled with respect for our wonderful parent community, who organised a fantastic **Christmas Fair**. Their hard work paid off as not only did we raise a whopping £2935.17, but we also managed to welcome more families than ever before! Thank you to all involved for your hard work and special thanks goes to Clarissa and Rhona for leading the organisation of this epic event.

Our next event is the **Conway Christmas Carols** on Tuesday evening at 5:30pm. Children will be singing with their classes and there will be time to all sing together so we would love to see as many families there as possible!

Last but not certainly not least, yesterday marked the first occasion that we have been placed in the **Primary School League tables**, following our first set of Year 6 SATs last year. I am delighted and extremely proud to announce that our Key Stage 2 results place us in the top 1.25% of schools across the whole country! We are also in the top 1% of schools for our Greater Depth results in Key Stage 2. Please see the letter that has been sent home today for further information.

Have a lovely weekend everybody.

Composer of the Term

Our composer this half term will be:
Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky



Stars of the Week

For showing respect our stars of the week are:

		
Joeie	Kevin	Richie
		
Zafeerah	Grace	Amnet

Celebration Assemblies

Please join us at 8:35am for our celebration assemblies on the following dates:

Friday 21st December - Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 parents – Street Dance performance

Attendance

This week the attendance figures are:

1 st	Dahl	97.81%
2 nd	Austen	97.76%
3 rd	Potter	97.21%
4 th	Lewis	97.03%
5 th	Shakespeare	96.66%
6 th	Carroll	96.33%
7 th	Dickens	95.9%

Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 18th December - Reception (Carroll Class) Nativity at 9am

Tuesday 18th December – Conway Christmas Carols at 5:30pm

Thursday 20th December - School Christmas lunch

Friday 21st December – Final day of school – finish at 1:30pm

Home Learning

Reception: Create a winter collage/scene (this can be Christmassy if you like!)

Year 1: On Monday, we're visiting Neasden Temple! Why do people go to places of worship?

Year 2: Time how long it takes you to do activities at home (reading, brushing your teeth, sleeping for example).

Year 3: How can you stay safe during Extreme Weather? Not many people know. Can you create something to teach people how to stay safe during extreme weather? You can display your information in any way.

Year 4: What do you know about sound?

Year 5: What would be the advantages and disadvantages of banana farming?

Spellings – words containing 'ough'

Year 6: To save the oceans, would you tackle climate change or plastic pollution first?

Spellings – words containing 'ough'

Notices

Karate

Well done to all of the karate children who achieved their red karate belt recently! They have persevered to learn all of the moves and demonstrated these with precision.



Christmas Card Post Box

The Christmas Card post box is back! If you would like to send Christmas cards to other children at Ark Conway, please post your cards by 8:30am on Friday morning (21st December) to ensure they can be delivered on time. You can find the post box in the school office area.



Lego Donations

As we are beginning our new Lego After School Club in January, we would be very grateful if you could donate any lego that your child is no longer using! If you do have any donations, please could you hand these in to the school office by Friday 21st December. Thank you!

Meet the Team

Name: Vicky Cumbers

Role: Catering Assistant

What is your favourite book? 'Me Before You' by Jojo Moyes

What was your favourite subject at school? I loved art!

When you were younger, what did you want to be when you grew up? I wanted to be a nurse.

Can you tell us something we may not know about you? I ran my own clothing brand for three years!

Facebook and Twitter



Please take a look at our Facebook page 'Ark Conway Primary Academy'. You can also follow us on Twitter:

@ARKConway. These are updated regularly with information and photos

Safeguarding is everybody's responsibility

Our safeguarding policy can be found in the school office