



# Ark Conway Primary Academy

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## Head's Message

We've had a wonderful last full week of term. Our assembly today was one of the most special moments of the week as we gave a fond farewell to Ms Mak and Mr Welsh. It truly was a celebration of the effort and commitment they have dedicated to Ark Conway. Although there were more than a few weepy moments I think you would agree it was a fitting way to wish both well on their next adventure.



Children are beaming in their Christmas jumpers today and there is a good number of bow ties peaking out from underneath their winter knits! This has put the children in high-spirits ready for their festive lunch where they will share a Conway Christmas dinner.

We still have the Conway Christmas Carols to look forward to next week - hope to see you at Ark Swift on Tuesday evening!

*Inspire Excellence*

*Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility*

## Attendance

This week the attendance figures are:

1st	Lewis Class	100.00%
2nd	Carroll Class	99.17%
3rd	Potter Class	96.25%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dahl Class	96.25%
5th	Austen Class	92.92%
6th	Dickens Class	92.50%

## Stars of the Week

For showing happiness, our stars of the week are:

		
Allegra	Ali	Oli
		
Richie	Morgan	Tarka

## Home Learning

Reception: See EYFS News.

Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5: Read, read, read, and read some more!

## Composer of the Week

Our composer next week will be:

**Frank Sinatra**



## Dates for Your Diary

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – 6pm - Christmas Carols by Candlelight – Ark Swift

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December** – School closes for Christmas at 1:30pm (**there will be NO after school care on this day**)

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017** – School re-opens for the Spring term

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February** – School closes for half term

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February** – INSET day – school closed for pupils

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February** – School re-opens after half term

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017** – INSET Day – School closed for pupils

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017** – School closes for Easter at 1.30pm

### Christmas Dinner

The Christmas Dinner today looked delicious and all the children really enjoyed the festive feast!



## Notices

### Christmas Jumper Day

The children all looked very festive today for Christmas Jumper Day. Thank you to all the parents and carers who made a donation to charity for this event. We will let you know how much we raised next week.



## EYFS News

This week Reception have been perfecting their postcards, and writing their own (fabulous) ideas. Some of our most independent writers even attempted words like 'trampoline park' which made Mrs Hyslop very proud! Carroll Class all deserve a 'whoosh' for their hard work. In maths we have been placing shapes around the table, following the rules of positional games such as 'Simon Says'. Next half term our topic will be 'Out of this World'. Over the holidays we would be delighted if you could make something for our topic area such as a rocket, a spaceship or an alien!

Other ideas for home learning: Share a family celebration on tapestry including a quote from your child about what they enjoyed. Write a postcard to the school telling us about your holiday, and post it. Start to learn the names of the planets and facts about space, or share a physical activity such as climbing, riding a bike or throwing and catching a ball.

Have an amazing holiday!  
Mrs Hyslop & The EYFS Team