



Ark Conway Primary Academy

NEWSLETTER

Head's Message

THANK YOU LAURIE GRIST!!

For the second week in a row I am hijacking the Head's message to share with you our exciting news.

On Wednesday evening our local community descended upon Hammersmith Town Hall to witness the approval, by unanimous vote, of the new building plans for Ark Conway. This is very good news for Ark Conway and signals the start of the process to build our new school.

I found the process enlightening and was delighted that the voice of the local community was communicated loud and clear for all to hear. In fact it was the words of the Conway children which held the most weight and that is a lesson I am keen we share.

Thank you to **EVERYBODY** who took to the streets of the local area to ensure that the support for the school was explicit.

Whilst there was cause for celebration on Wednesday, there were also a lot of points raised during the meeting which I am sure you are all keen to understand further. I think the best way to address any concerns and share the plans in further detail would be to have a meeting with the architects, projects team and the building team themselves. I will be arranging a date for this meeting soon. I'd like to assure parents that any points raised during the meeting have been considered and explored as part of the design process.

FINALLY: As a community we owe a huge deal of gratitude to Cllr Schmid and Cllr. MacMillan who spoke on behalf of the school, but most of all, Laurie Grist. Laurie has been working tirelessly on this project since 2010 and it is directly because of her that we now have approval for the new building. Laurie is often at Conway in her role as governor so the next time you see her, thank her.

Have a great weekend.
Damian

Attendance

This week, the attendance figures are:

1 st	Lewis class	99.3%
2 nd	Dahl class	98.7%
3 rd	Carroll class	97.0%
4 th	Potter class	96.7%

Stars of the Week: Aspiration



Oscar Harry Marley Trixie



Elisabeth Reggie Ollie Hayder

Red Nose Day

Thank you for raising an incredible **£406.84** for comic relief last week!

Notices

Pupil Progress and Inclusion Meeting

Reception and Year 3 parents are invited to attend a short presentation from Daniela Grasso on Friday 27th March. Clare Wilson, Early Language Specialist for Ark Schools, will also be attending.

Reception trip to the Farm

We hope the children in Carroll class are looking forward to their trip to Odds Park Farm on Monday 23rd March. Please remember to bring the following with you:

1. Packed lunch in a backpack
2. P.E kit (wear it to school)
3. Wellington boots
4. Coat + hat, scarf, gloves if cold

Head Lice

We have been made aware of more cases of head lice. Please check your child's hair carefully this weekend and ensure all hair is tied up whilst at school.

Clubs next week

Next week is the last week of the term for afterschool clubs. Performing Arts will have a short performance at 4:45pm on Friday to conclude the term.

Please note that there is no Brassband next week as Mr Samson is getting married! There was an extra session in February to make up for this.

Parents' Evening

A booking sheet will be in the school foyer from Monday 23rd March for you to sign up for a meeting with your child's teacher on:

Monday 30th March for Reception and Year 1
Wednesday 1st April for Year 2 and Year 3

Home Learning

This week's focus for home learning journals:

Year 1: Names and types of deciduous trees.

Year 2: Design an anti-bullying poster. Format sheet is in your journal.

Year 3: Recommend two things tourists should do in London.

Tapestry Learning Journals in Carroll Class

If you have returned the registration form to access your child's Learning Journal via Tapestry you should have received an email activation link. Please do check all inbox folders as it may be that Tapestry emails are mistakenly sent to junk mail.

Remember, once you have your account details you can access your child's journal by visiting <https://eylj.org> or by downloading the Tapestry app (search for TapestryMobile).

If you encounter any difficulties, please do let us know so that we can ensure your registration is successful.

Year 1 and Year 2 Science trip to Burlington Danes Academy

Potter and Dahl class had a wonderful time learning about plants and looking at bugs and insects. The Science teacher was very impressed and said, "It was wonderful to see all the pupils' enthusiasm for science and the activities they were doing, with lots of fantastic drawings and excellent questions! All the pupils were so well behaved and polite, it was a real pleasure to see them all again."

