



Ark Conway Primary Academy

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Head's Message

Hello! Welcome back to school everybody and a very warm welcome indeed to all of the new families and children joining us this September. It has given me such pleasure to see how happy our pupils are to be back at school, learning new routines and spending time with their friends.

Every year we have children running into school each day with a smile on their face and this year there seems to be more than ever. I'm sure that this is in part due to the brand new play and climbing equipment that we had installed over summer!



This was as a result of the hard work of our wonderful parent community over the years, whose fundraising has made this possible. Thank you from all of the staff and children at Conway!

We have begun the school year by revisiting some of our most important routines that help our day at school run smoothly. Children have been moving around the school so respectfully and in all classes children have shown how focused they are! Your child may mention our new 'Recognition Boards' where their name will be placed if they have shown exceptional work or behaviour. They may also receive a 'Note of Excellence' in the form of a sticker. These are very hard to achieve so we would love for you to congratulate your child if you see that they have received one!

It was lovely to see so many parents at the Parent and Teacher coffee morning this morning – the turn out was amazing! I hope you enjoyed spending time with each other and getting to know the teachers. The upcoming 'Meet the Class Team' workshops will be another opportunity to spend time with the staff in your child's class.

Have a lovely weekend everybody! Mrs Ross-Wood

Composer of the Term

Our composer for this half term is:

Johann Christian Bach



Attendance

This week the attendance figures are:

1 st	Carroll	100%
2 nd	Lewis	97.781%
3 rd	Dahl	96.11%
4 th	Dickens	93.33%
5 th	Austen	93.21%
6 th	Shakespeare	91.11%
7 th	Potter	88.17%

Celebration Assemblies

Please join us at 8:35am for our celebration assemblies on the following dates. *Parents from all year groups are welcome each week.*

Friday 13th September – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 certificates

Friday 20th September – Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 certificates

Friday 27th September – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 certificates

Friday 4th October – Inset

Friday 11th October – Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 certificates – Year 6 class performance

Friday 18th October – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 certificates – Year 2 class performance

Dates for Your Diary

Friday 13th September – Secondary school parent workshop 9:15am

Friday 13th September – Meet the Year 2 Class Team workshop 3:30pm

Friday 13th September – 'Stay and Play' 4- 5pm

Wednesday 18th September - Year 6 swimming begins

Wednesday 18th September - Meet the Year 1 Class Team workshop 3:30pm

Thursday 19th September - Meet the Year 5 and Year 6 Class Team workshop 3:30pm

Wednesday 25th September – Meet the Year 4 and Year 6 Class Team workshop 3:30pm

Inspire Excellence



Thursday 26th September – Meet the Year 3 and Year 6 Class Team workshop 3:30pm

Friday 27th September – Home Learning parent workshop 9:15am

Friday 27th September – Meet the Reception Class Team workshop 3:30pm

Friday 4th October – Inset Day

Wednesday 9th October – Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Perform Drama workshops

Friday 11th October – KS2 reading and writing parent workshop 9:15am

Friday 18th October – KS1 mathematics parent workshop 9:15am

Monday 14th October – Pupil school photographs

Monday 21st October – Friday 23rd October (inclusive) – Half term holiday

Monday 28th October – Inset Day

Tuesday 29th October – Inset Day

Friday 15th November – Parent Forum AGM at 9:15am

Saturday 7th December – Christmas Fair

Home Learning

Reception: Make a pattern using at least 2 colours. Present it however you like!

Year 1: What materials can you find at home?

Year 2: What would you do if you spotted a fire in your house?

Year 3: Research the Stone Age. You can present what you've found however you like!

Year 4: Research the Romans. How many facts can you find?

Year 5 & 6: 1 reading journal entry.

Find me a fact about France or the French.

Choose your favourite colour and find out how to say it in French.

No spellings this week!

Notices

Parent Workshops

These workshops will give you an insight into a variety of subjects that your child learns about during their time at Ark Conway. They will provide ideas and resources for how you can support your child's learning at home. The workshops will be held immediately after Celebration Assembly (approximately 9:15am – 9:45am).

13th September – Secondary School workshop (9:15am – 10:15am) – what are the options for secondary schools in our area?

27th September – Home Learning – how can I support my child at home?

11th October - Year 3, 4, 5, 6 Reading and Writing – what will my child be doing at school and how can I support them?

18th October – Reception, Year 1, Year 2 Mathematics - what will my child be doing at school and how can I support them?

Meet the Class Team

We know how important it is to you to know the adults who will be working with your child throughout the school year. It is also important for the staff team to get to know the parents! As such, we will be hosting sessions for you to meet the adults in your child's class, as well as to find out a little more about what the year will entail. Please see below for dates:

Friday 13th September – Year 2 (3:30pm)

Wednesday 18th September – Year 1 (3:30pm)

Thursday 19th September – Year 5 and Year 6 (3:30pm)

Wednesday 25th September – Year 4(3:30pm)

Thursday 26th September – Year 3 (3:30pm)

Friday 27th September – Reception (3:30pm)

PE Uniform

Children are expected to wear their PE uniform on the following days each week:

Reception – Wednesday

Year 1 and Year 2 – Tuesday

Year 3 and Year 4 – Monday

Year 5 and Year 6 – Wednesday

Stay and Play!

You are all invited to join us next week on Friday 13th September for our 'Stay and Play' event! From 4pm – 5pm, we will be having a cake sale and also a second hand uniform sale. Children will also be given another opportunity to play on our brand new play equipment!

Facebook and Twitter



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

Safeguarding is everybody's responsibility

Our safeguarding policy can be found in the school office