



# Ark Conway Primary Academy

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## Head's Message

Happy Friday everybody!

This week we saw a number of children, from years 3-6, taking part in an Ark Schools sports competition, held at Burlington Danes Academy. I was delighted to hear that the children of Ark Conway showed real perseverance in each of the events, which is particularly special as this has been our value of the week. It was clear that their perseverance paid off, with Ark Conway teams coming 1st place in many of the events! Well done to everyone who was involved.

Yesterday, the whole school celebrated World Book Day. It was amazing to see so many pairs of pyjamas and



character costumes in one room when we joined together for an assembly to start the day. Teachers and co-teachers took turns to read a whole school bedtime story and later in the day swapped classes to read with different children. Thank you to parents for all your hard work to prepare costumes and for helping children with their 'Get Caught Reading' photographs! We have seen so many fantastic entries!

Finally, I'd like to remind all families that we have an inset day on this coming Monday (11th March). We hope you enjoy your slightly longer weekend and we will see you back at school on Tuesday at 8:30am!

## Composer of the Term









Our composer for this half term is:

**George Frideric Handel**



## Stars of the Week

For showing perseverance our stars of the week are:

 Rameysa	 Ayman	 Alisa	 Stanley
 Charlie	 Mackenzie	 Muhammed	 Riyan

## Celebration Assemblies

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

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – Reception, Year 1 and 2 parents – Year 1 music performance

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** - Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 parents – Year 3 music performance

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March** - Reception, Year 1 and 2 parents – Reception music performance and Year 6 ukulele performance

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April** - Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 parents

## Attendance

This week the attendance figures are:

1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Dahl</b>	<b>98.67%</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Austen	97.67%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lewis	97.33%
4 <sup>th</sup>	Dickens	96.67%
5 <sup>th</sup>	Carroll	96.45%
6 <sup>th</sup>	Potter	96%
7 <sup>th</sup>	Shakespeare	95.67%

## Dates for Your Diary

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March** – Inset Day

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – STEM week (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics)

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – Comic Relief Day – children can wear red clothes!

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March** – School Disco – 4pm

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** – Spring Singing Show at 3:30pm

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April** – Year 4, 5 and 6 visiting the Metro Bank, Fulham

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** - Spring Singing Show at 3:30pm

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April** – Last day of term, school closes at 1:30pm

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April** - Children return to school – 8:30am

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May** – Bank Holiday Monday

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May** – Class photographs

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 6 Leavers Disco

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May** – Half term holiday

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June** – Inset Day

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July** – Inset Day

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** – Year 2 overnight stay

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** – Last day of year, school closes at 1:30pm

## Home Learning

**Reception:** What kinds of plants do you find in the jungle? Make your own/bring in a plant which might be found in the jungle. You could also have a discussion about where jungles are on Earth.

**Year 1:** What can you measure around your house?

**Year 2:** Which different habitats exist in Africa?

**Year 3:** Research the city state of Athens. Display your information however you like!

**Year 4:** What important task would you ask an MP to help you with?

**Year 5:** Conduct an experiment to investigate the following questions: Do all materials dissolve in the same way? Do all materials take the same amount of time to dissolve? Compare three different materials.

**Year 6:** What does the word ‘renaissance’ mean? Present your findings any way you wish.

## Notices

### Red Nose Day

Next Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> March is Red Nose Day! Children can ‘wear red’ for the day and are asked to bring in £1 for charity. Please ensure that your child’s money is in their book bag at the start of the day, as this will be collected by their class teacher. It will be a fun-filled day with lots of joke telling so it would be excellent if children can prepare some funny jokes to share on the day!



### Healthy Snacks

We would like to remind everyone that pupils are very welcome to bring healthy snacks in to school, either for playtime or if they are staying for After School Clubs. These snacks must be healthy, as we are a healthy school. For example children can bring in fruit, dried fruit or raw vegetables such as carrot sticks.



### Newspapers for STEM week

We need your help! In preparation for one of our STEM week activities, we need to collect as many newspapers as possible! If you have any spare newspapers, please can you drop these off at the Front Office on Tuesday (12<sup>th</sup>) morning. Thank you for your support!



### 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