



Principal's Message

As we reach the mid-point in this academic year, it is a good time to reflect on all that we have achieved.

Once again, I am astounded by the progress that pupils are making, both academically and also developmentally. Despite the current challenges and uncertainty we face in relation to Covid, pupils are showing that their love of learning persists, whether that be when they are working to achieve Mathematics certificates, unpicking the sounds to decipher a new word or asking questions to find out more when they are on their school trips. It has been heart-warming to see so much excitement and learning happening on these trips and it is something we will continue to prioritise for upcoming terms for all of our classes.

Just last week, I mentioned about Year 4's impressive walk along the Thames. I am thrilled to let you know that they have managed to raise over

£500

for the homeless charity Street Link!

Before we finish for the half term holiday, I'd like to thank every parent and every child who has completed the Ark Schools survey. If you haven't yet done this, please do so before the surveys close at the end of tomorrow, Friday 11th February, as each piece of feedback that we receive helps us to inform our school improvement over the coming year. Thank you!

Wishing you all a wonderful half term holiday.

Composer of the Term

Our composer for next half term is:



Frédéric Chopin

Dates for your Diary

Next week...

Monday 14th February–Friday 18th February inclusive – Half term holiday

This term...

Monday 21st February – INSET Day

Tuesday 22nd February – Pupils return to school at 8:20am

Tuesday 22nd February – Wonder Day for all classes!

Thursday 24th February – Reception trip to the Museum of Water and Steam

Friday 25th February – Poetry Slam Launch

Thursday 3rd March – World Book Day

Friday 18th March – Red Nose Day

Friday 25th March – Poetry Slam Final

Celebration Assemblies

We invite all parents and guardians to join us for our Celebration Assemblies on the following dates and times.

Friday 25th February

- **8:35am** - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
- **3:15pm** - Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6

Home Learning

Please share all home learning work on Seesaw. You can find more information about Seesaw by following this link: **Seesaw home learning.**



Reception: Can you make and decorate paper dolls together at home? Use this link to help you: https://origami.lovetoknow.com/How_to_Make_a_Paper_Doll_Chain

Year 1: Research the history of an interesting London underground station. Underground challenge: visit every station on the central line and compare the different stations. Here are some questions to get you started: which do you think is the oldest station and why? Which is your favourite

station? Which two stations have the shortest distance?

Year 2: Prepare a presentation about a country in the world you have visited or would like to visit. We will share our presentations on Wonder Day after half term!

Year 3: Create a European flag of your choice. You can upload this to Seesaw or bring it in on Tuesday after half-term.

Year 4: How quickly can you memorise your times tables up to 12? Practice them on Mathsframe.co.uk!

Year 5: Over the half term, use the QR code or username details in your Reading Log to sign onto Mathletics. Complete your updated To Do list,

explore other activities, and push yourself to earn a certificate!

Year 6: What can you tell me about Dunkirk? The link I sent to your school email should prove helpful! We will be sharing our ideas work as part of Wonder Day so make it as creative as you can!

Notices

Social Media

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

Safeguarding is everybody's responsibility.

Our safeguarding policy can be found in the school office.