



Ark Conway Primary Academy

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Principal's Message

We have had another fun filled week at Ark Conway this week!

On Saturday, our incredible Parent Forum hosted our annual Winter Fair. It was so special to have everyone back together again for such a community focused event, particularly as we weren't able to have a school fair last year. We also welcomed visitors from our local community who were interested in sending their children to our school in our future, as well as alumni who popped in to say hello too. On top of all the community building, the Parent Forum also were able to raise £2690.39!! A fantastic achievement and we will be sharing our ideas for how we plan to use this money in our upcoming Parent Forum AGM next term.

Today, pupils have been raising money for Save the Children by wearing their festive Christmas jumpers. We were also treated to a fantastic show from the Year 6 pupils in assembly – it is abundantly clear just how much you have learnt this term Angelou class. Well done!



I'll leave you with a quote to warm your hearts from our Year 5 class, who last week were making their own fires to warm their marshmallows!

“On Friday, we toasted bread and marshmallows. It was so fun! Clare told us that there are 3 parts to make fire- oxygen, fuel and heat. We also made out own fire with a flint.”

Composer of the Term

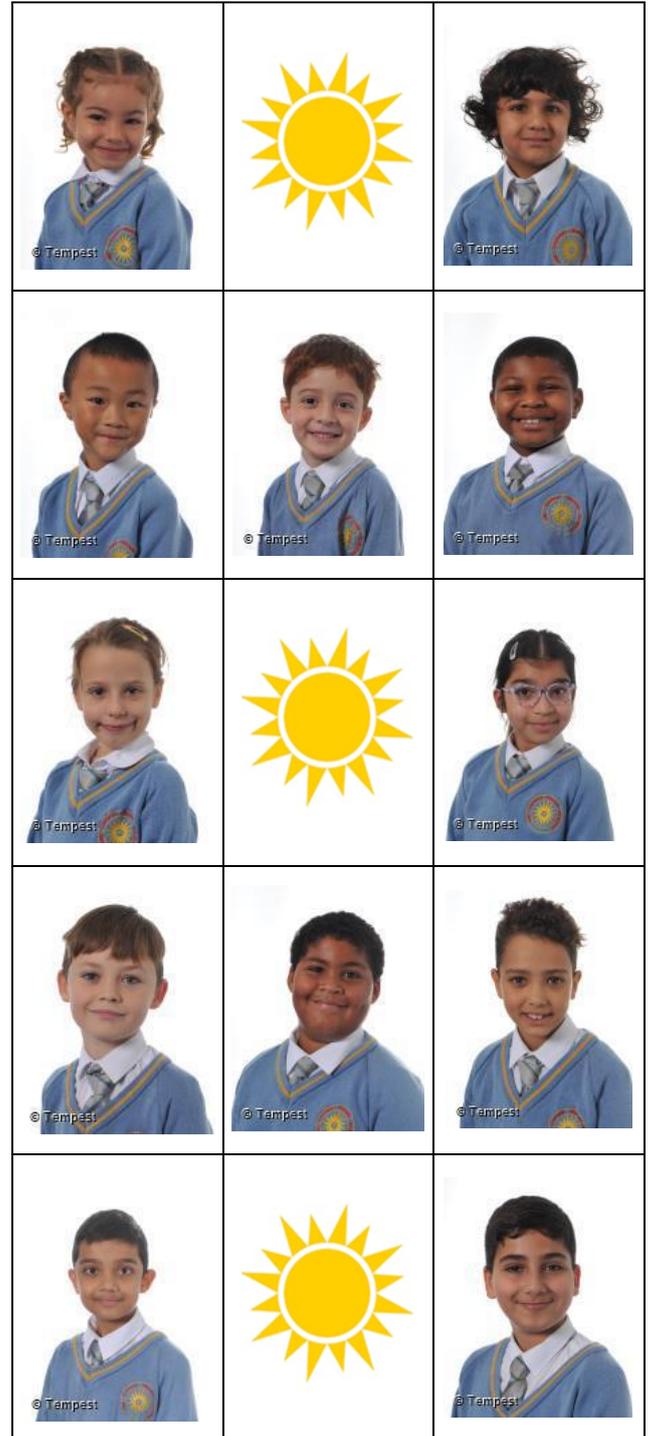
Our composer for this half term is:



***Pyotr Ilyich
Tchaikovsky***

Stars of the Week

For showing our school value of aspiration, this week our stars of the week are:



This week the attendance figures are:

1 st	Angelou	99.17%
2 nd	Ali	94.58%
3 rd	Farah	93.33%
4 th	Nightingale	91.67%
5 th	Earhart	90.68%
6 th	Attenborough	90.00%
7 th	Obama	87.08%

Dates for your Diary

Next week...

Tuesday 14th December – Farah (Reception) class nativity

Wednesday 15th December – Christmas Lunch!

Wednesday 15th December – Place2Be parenting smart coffee afternoon 3:15pm – 3:45pm

Thursday 16th December – Christmas Carols, see timetable below

Next term...

Tuesday 4th January – INSET Day – School closed for pupils

Wednesday 5th January – All pupils return to school for the start of day at 8:30am

Friday 11th February – INSET Day

Monday 14th February – Friday 18th

February inclusive – Half term holiday

Monday 21st February – INSET Day

Christmas Carols

Thursday 16th December

- **8:40am – 9:10am:** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
- **3:20pm – 3:50pm:** Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6

Please note that our Carols will replace Celebration assembly next week so there will not be an assembly on Friday.

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 practise saying your Nativity lines to your whole family? Can you remember whose line you speak after?

Year 1: We have been learning what people wear during winter. Madison wants you to show us your warmest and most extravagant winter outfit.

Year 2: Imagine you are living in London in 1666. Write a diary entry about what it would have been like after the fire.

Year 3: Use your brand-new Athletics Login and start earning points now! Make sure you complete your to-do list before exploring more.

Year 4: Would you rather live in Roman Britain or live today? Why?

Year 5: Imagine you have travelled back in time, and you are living in a Viking village. Describe what a day in your life would be like. Display your work however you would like!

Year 6: Next week you will be writing your letters to Andy Slaughter MP. In preparation for this, we'd like you to research some of the possible solutions to fly tipping in London.

Notices

Place2Be Coffee Afternoon

Anna Ford, the Mental Health Practitioner, and Sharon Hall, the Family Practitioner at Place2Be, look forward to meeting you at the Parenting Coffee Afternoon. This will be held on **Wednesday 15 December 2021 at 3:15 – 3:45pm**. We will be offering a face-to-face workshop with a focus on how to use praise and rewards with your child.

You can also access Place2Be's Parenting Smart website! The site offers practical advice on supporting your child and managing behaviour with short articles and videos on a range of topics such as transition to secondary school, meltdowns, and sleep difficulties.

Christmas Door Competition

It was wonderful to see how engaged pupils were about our Christmas Door competition, with many asking who had won the competition every single day!

We are thrilled to announce that... **Year 4**

have won this year's competition! We are also delighted to share that we will certainly be continuing this tradition in future years at Ark Conway. Please see overleaf for the full selection of doors – each wonderful in their own unique way!

Reception



Year 4



Year 1



Year 5

Year 2



Year 6



Year 3



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.