



Ark Conway Primary Academy

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Head's Message

Happy end of term everyone!

This term has certainly been an interesting one. We started it in lockdown, with our full remote learning offer being implemented. I can say with confidence that this period has taught our pupils so many new skills. Not only that, I know our parents and staff learnt many new skills in this time too! These skills are ones that we will be able to carry forward in life, regardless of whether or not we are asked to do remote learning again. For example, the computing skills to be able to upload your work to Seesaw, or the ability to think creatively about alternative ways to communicate your thoughts and ideas.

Despite the restrictions, we have also been lucky enough to have a number of virtual visitors to Ark Conway, including authors, illustrators and even explorers! As we head into the summer term, we will be planning even more exciting experiences for pupils and will hopefully be able to include some trips!

I have been so incredibly impressed by the resilience that our pupils have shown in how they have returned to school. They have embedded routines quicker than any of us could have anticipated and are engaging with their learning with such enthusiasm. I can't wait to see what they achieve next term.

Wishing you all a very wonderful holiday and I hope you can enjoy plenty of time outside with family and friends! I'll leave you with a brilliant Spring Show made by pupils taking part in Pelican music lessons. Enjoy!

https://youtu.be/LtG_NDwNcro



Dates for Your Diary

This term...

Monday 19th April – Summer term begins at 8:30am – 8:50am.

Monday 26th April - Year 6 Parent Teacher Conferences.

Monday 26th April - Year 3 Parent Teacher Conferences.

Tuesday 27th April - Year 4 Parent Teacher Conferences.

Tuesday 27th April - Year 1 Parent Teacher Conferences.

Wednesday 28th April - Reception Parent Teacher Conferences.

Wednesday 28th April - Year 2 Parent Teacher Conferences.

Thursday 29th April - Year 5 Parent Teacher Conferences.

Wednesday 5th May – Whole Class Photographs.

Wednesday 5th May – Upload Talent Show submission to Seesaw!

Friday 7th May – Talent Show Round 1 – Class.

Friday 14th May – Talent Show Final – Key Stage.

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: Next term we will be learning about minibeasts! Over the Easter break, we'd like you to go on a big hunt! Tell us about what you find on Seesaw and we will share in class!

Year 1: Which places have you visited in the United Kingdom? Was it within London or beyond? What was the place like? Write a short description of your trip and include any photos you might have!

Year 2: Who is an inspirational person in your life and why?

Year 3: Next term we will be learning about biomes and climate zones. Research the topic and present your findings in any way you like.

Year 4: Please continue the Home Learning posted on Friday - What is sound? How can you make sound? Share your findings in a creative way!

Year 5: How can you use your special talent to overcome adversity?

Year 6: Find a map of your local area (e.g. Google maps, OS, an A-Z or an old map!) What do you notice? Present your findings in any way you like. Upload to SeeSaw ready for sharing on the first Friday back!

Notices

New Drop Off Times

Following the letter sent home today, from Monday 19th April, please drop your child off at school at the following times:

Reception – 8:30am

Year 1 – 8:30am

Year 2 – 8:35am

Year 3 – 8:35am

Year 4 – 8:40am

Year 5 – 8:40am

Year 6 – 8:40am

Ark Conway Talent Show!

We are launching the first ever virtual Ark Conway Talent Show, taking place next term! Please see the letter sent home this week for more information. We can't wait to see what you create - happy rehearsing over the holidays!



Weekly Assembly Challenge

Over the Easter holidays, we would love for you to create a self-portrait using only natural materials from the great outdoors! Please send a photo of your creation to info@arkconwayprimary.org



COVID-19 Safety

You will find the latest information about how we are keeping pupils and staff safe at school, by following this link to our website:

<https://arkconway.org/returning-school>

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.