

Newsletter

10th July 2015



ARK Dickens
Primary Academy

Dear Parents/Carers

As we rapidly approach the end of this academic year there are still lots of exciting events coming up. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued help and support this year and I hope to see as many of you as possible in school attending and supporting our end of term events.

Singing Sessions: This term colleagues from Ark Central in London have visited our school each week to deliver singing sessions with the children. KS2 children have helped to write our new school song which incorporates our school values. The children were given the opportunity today to perform to parents and show how much fun they have been having learning new songs.

Reports and Parent Drop-Ins: Your child will bring home their report on Friday this week. If you do not receive it make sure you check their school bag for your copy. We shall be offering parents a 'drop-in' session on Wednesday 15th July between 3.00-5.00pm if you would like to talk about the report with your child's teacher.



In-House Transition: As you know your child spent 2 days last week in their new classroom with their new class teacher. This was a great opportunity for children and adults to get to know each other ahead of the start of the new academic year in September.

Year 6 Leavers Performance: Year 6 are currently rehearsing to put on an end of year performance for parents on Thursday 16th July. A separate letter will be going out to parents very soon giving you further details.

Year 6 Trip: A visit to Chessington World of Adventure has been arranged for our Year 6 pupils on Friday 17th July. The children are really excited about this trip. Look out for pictures of their day on our website very soon.

Sports Day – Lower School: We are holding our annual Sports Day for Lower School children (Nursery (am children), Reception, Year R, Year I and Year 2) during the morning of Monday 20th July. Parents will be invited to attend at 9.30am – a separate letter will be coming home very soon with additional details.

Sports Day – Upper School: We are holding our annual Sports Day for Upper School children (Year 3 – 6) during the afternoon of Monday 20th July. Parents will be invited to attend at 1.15pm – a separate letter will be coming home very soon with additional details. Please Note: Afternoon nursery children will take part in their own separate sports day activities and parents will be invited to come along and watch.

End of Year Discos: Discos are being arranged for the children to attend on Monday 20th July (see below):

Year R, 1 and 2 will take place in the Lower School Hall from 4.00 – 5.00pm

Year 3, 4 and 5 will take place in the Lower School Hall from 5.15 – 6.15pm

Year 6 will take place in the Upper School Hall from 4.00 – 6.00pm

Letters will be coming home shortly with further details. Please make sure you sign and return the slip to the school office before your child can attend any one of the discos.

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Finally can I please take this opportunity to remind all parents about using appropriate language whilst on the school premises. I have had a couple of instances reported to me recently of parents using bad language in the playground and this unacceptable. Thank you for your co-operation.

Mr C Duncan
(Headteacher)

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARDS				
WEEK BEGINNING (Fri to Thurs)	ATTENDANCE CUP (Upper School) 	%	ATTENDANCE TED (Lower School) 	%
26 th June	Weller	96.3%	Pickwick	98.7
3 rd July	Peggotty	98.3%	Nickleby	96.1%
Well done to the winning classes!				

Dates for your diary

Friday 10 th July	End of year reports to parents
Wednesday 15 th July	End of year parent drop-in
Monday 20 th July	Sports Day
Tuesday 21 st July	Break up for summer holidays
Tuesday 1 st September	INSET Day
Wednesday 2 nd September	INSET Day
Thursday 3 rd September	Back to School
Friday 23 rd October	Break up for half term

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