

Newsletter

11th March 2015



ARK Dickens
Primary Academy

Dear Parents/Carers

Super Spellers: Some of our pupils accompanied by members of staff had a great day recently attending the ARK Portsmouth Primary Spelling Bee. The pupils impressed with their spelling abilities and confidence and they took everything in their stride.

A big congratulations goes to our team (featured below) for taking home the top position as the overall school winner! Congratulations also to Ark Ayrton for coming 2nd. It really was very close throughout the day and we are very proud of our pupils' achievements.



All the spellers performed brilliantly on the day and I'm very pleased to be able to celebrate some fantastic individual performances with Sharon from Dickens and Faizah from Ayrton as the Top Spellers in Year 5 & 6 and Year 3 & 4 respectively.

Red Nose Day: We are celebrating Red Nose Day this Friday. Children need to be in school uniform but, for a small donation, they can make their face funny and/or wear a red nose!

Class Photos: On Friday 20th March, class photographs will be taken. There will be no individual or family shots at this time, it is just class photographs. Can you please make sure your child is dressed in their full school uniform for this picture. Thank you for your co-operation.

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Bake Sale: The school will be holding a Bake Sale on Tuesday 31st March to raise money for an orphanage in Indonesia that is supported by BEATS (British Earthquake and Tsunami Support). All children (Year R -Year 6) are invited to bake cakes and cookies to be sold as well as bringing some money on the day to buy a cake or cookie. Please take time to look at the website (<http://www.beatscharity.co.uk>) or contact Miss Page if you need any further details.

School Football: The return match versus ARK Ayrton was played recently. It was another close game, with Ayrton finishing as winners this time. The team gave it their all and thanks again to all the parents who came along to cheer them on.

Mr C Duncan
(Headteacher)

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARDS				
WEEK BEGINNING (Fri to Thurs)	ATTENDANCE CUP (Upper School) 	%	ATTENDANCE TED (Lower School) 	%
23 rd February	Peggotty	98.2%	Nickleby	98.8%
2 nd March	Marley	98%	Pickwick	98.6%
Well done to the winning classes!				

HEADTEACHER'S CERTIFICATE

Congratulations to those pupils who have received the Headteacher's Certificate.

Week beginning: 23rd February 2015 the certificates were in recognition of an exemplary display of our **Respect** value. The certificates were awarded to:

Reception	Bradley Kirkwood & Frankie Wilson	Year 1	Archie Byrne & Emilie Kimber
Year 2	Tommy Large & Ralph Byrne	Year 3	Lincoln Ward & Alfie Moore
Year 4	Bumble Class & Peggotty Class	Year5/6	Brandon Chase, Sharon Ogundele & Jack Becque

Week beginning: 2nd March 2015 the certificates were in recognition of an exemplary display of our **Challenge** value. The certificates were awarded to:

Reception	Shannon Manhire & Kaif Khan	Year 1	Suhana Miah & Laynie-Mae Priddy
Year 2	Gethyn Wilcox & Maddison Brown	Year 3	Mahdiya Siddiq & William Colwell
Year 4	Jenny Hogg & Beau Edney	Year5/6	Kirstie Silver, Charlie Large & Tasnim Talukdar

Dates for your diary

Thursday 2nd April
Monday 20th April
Monday 4th May
Friday 22nd May
Monday 1st June
Friday 19th June
Friday 26th June
Tuesday 21st July

Last day of Spring Term
School re-opens
Bank holiday
Break up for Half Term
School re-opens
Inset Day
Inset Day
Break up for summer holidays