

# Newsletter

26<sup>th</sup> February 2016



**ARK Dickens**  
Primary Academy

## Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back after our half term break from school. I hope you were able to enjoy some time together as a family and that you had a good rest before the hard work begins once more. The children have been just fabulous this week and I am delighted to say that the atmosphere in our school is getting better and better.

Thank you all for the positive contribution you have made to that, by getting the children into school on time and in correct uniform. Your efforts with that are greatly appreciated.

Please could I just make parents aware that next Friday, there will be a much longer newsletter from me as Headteacher. It will contain a great deal of information about some changes we are proposing to make after Easter and further changes which we would like your views on that will come into play after September. There will also be important separate letters for Year 6 Parents and Year 2 Parents all related to the new tests and assessments which the children will be taking during the summer term and an invitation to important meetings about that. Please do make certain you get the letters next Friday.

Many thanks

**Miss J Waelend (Interim Headteacher)**

**Parent Consultation Meetings:** Thank you to all those parents who have already arranged meetings with our teachers next week. If you have not completed your form and handed it in please do so by Monday morning so that the staff can make the necessary arrangements and set aside the time you have requested.

**World Book Day – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March:** Letters are coming home detailing arrangements in school next Thursday to celebrate World Book Day. If you don't receive your letter please enquire at the school office or with your child's class teacher for more information.

**Parents Voice:** We held a Parents Voice meeting this week. The notes from this meeting will be available on our school website next week. Our next meeting is arranged for the 22<sup>nd</sup> March.



**Family Quiz Night – 23<sup>rd</sup> March:** We are arranging a Family Quiz Night in school on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March from 6 – 7.30 pm. A separate letter will be coming home shortly giving more details about this event.

# HEADTEACHER'S CERTIFICATE

Week beginning: 22<sup>nd</sup> February the certificates were in recognition of an exemplary display of our '**EFFORT**' value. The certificates were awarded to:

Nursery	Noor Salih	Reception	Kristian Leeming, Ebenezer Ibharokhonre, Tegan-Louise Latimer & Zheen Fikri
Year 1	Levi Bracegirdle, Grace Anders, Panashe Meredith & Grace Anders	Year 2	Zayden Ward, Angel Gardiner, Crystal Long & Max Twine
Year 3	Ralph Byrne, Layla Devlin, Aldina Gashi & Lenny Viggor	Year 4	Daisy-Mae Field, Sahil Rahman, Meyiwa Fregene & Connor Whiting
Year 5	Beau Edney, Rebecca Neuts, Jenny Hogg & William Rose	Year 6	Alex Hellyer, Sharmina Khan, Nazifah Ahmed & Deborah Tesfamichael

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARDS

WEEK ENDING (Mon to Fri)	ATTENDANCE CUP (Upper School) 	%	ATTENDANCE TED (Lower School) 	%
5 <sup>th</sup> February	Jaggers	99%	Badger	97%
12 <sup>th</sup> February	Bumble	100%	Twist	98.8%
Well done to the winning classes!				

### Dates for your diary

Parent Consultation Meetings (Reception to Year 6)

Parent Consultation Meetings (Nursery)

World Book Day

Parents Voice Meeting

Family Quiz Night

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March (3.15 – 6.15pm)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March (3.15 – 6.15pm)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March (3.20 – 6.20pm)

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March (3.20 – 6.20pm)

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March (2.00 – 3.00pm)

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March (6.00 – 7.30pm)

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