

Newsletter

6th November 2015



ARK Dickens
Primary Academy

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term. We hope you all had an enjoyable break. We have been busy updating our school website with pictures and reports of some of the amazing activities that took place in school last half term and we are excited and looking forward to many more activities and hard work taking place as we approach the Christmas holidays. Please take a moment to log on to our school website which is updated constantly with news, pictures and information about Ark Dickens Primary Academy. (www.arkdickensprimary.org)

Open Days: We are inviting new parents and children to join us at our Nursery and Reception Open Days. If you want to give your child the best start come and see what we have to offer on **Wednesday 18th November from 1.15 – 2.45pm and Thursday 19th November from 9.30 – 11.00 am.**

Parent View: Once again thank you to all those parents who returned their Parent View Questionnaires. You should have all received a summary of the results and this information can also be found on our school website.

Great South Run: Congratulations to Chloe Hilton one of our pupils in Year 4, who took part in the Great South Run recently to raise money for the Great Ormond Street Hospital. If you would like to contribute to her fundraising efforts please log on to Great Ormond Street Hospital to find out how you donate.



Making Crowns in Year 4: As part of their topic work this term, Year 2 have been studying Monarchs. To bring their studies to life the children took part in a crown making afternoon and parents were invited to come along and help. Thank you to all those parents who came along and joined in with the children helping them cut out their crowns and decorate them with all sorts of glitter, baubles and sparkles. The finished crowns all looked amazing. The children marched around the hall wearing their crowns with pride to show them off to everyone.

Wonder Woman Session: Our Superman reading session was so popular and successful that this half term we would love to invite in our Wonder Women. Mums, nans, aunts, sisters, cousins (or failing that dads and granddads) please come in to read with your children on Friday 13th November from 2.30pm. More details will follow in a separate letter.

Children In Need: This year we will be doing our bit for Children In Need by having a non-school uniform day on Friday 13th November. Children are asked to bring in a donation of 50p if they want to take part in the non-uniform day.

Parents Voice: Check out the noticeboard near the school side entrance as you come in for details of the Parents Voice Coffee Afternoon on Tuesday 10th November. All parents welcome.



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Dance Into Fitness: Calling all parents. These sessions will take place **every Thursday from 2-3pm** at the **SureStart Centre** next door to our school. This is an ideal opportunity to meet and socialise with other parents and enjoy a free hour of movement to get the body and mind into shape. Come along and join in the fun.

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**Mr C Duncan
Headteacher**



Parenting Tip! Make time for your children.

Going to open evenings, matches, games, plays and other events with your child communicates caring and lets you get to know more about your child and their friends and what they are doing at school - it shows your child you are interested in them and their world outside of the home.

HEADTEACHER'S CERTIFICATE

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



Week beginning: 19th October certificates were in recognition of an exemplary display of our **'RESILIENCE'** value. The certificates were awarded to:

Reception	Alex Park & Blake Reilly	Year 1	Nicolas Zbirko & Jack Large
Year 2	Deborah Fregene & Iva Gabrovska	Year 3	Brandon Britland & Albi Ross
Year 4	Alby Baynham & Ashley Hannam	Year 5	Sidra Salih & Ronnie Glasbey
Year 6	Jazmin Jewell & Tayler Harris		

Week beginning: 2nd November the certificates were in recognition of an exemplary display of our **'RESPECT'** value. The certificates were awarded to:

Reception	Alex Park & Isabella Wilcox	Year 1	Marcie-May Stanley & Belkess Madi
Year 2	Riley West & Bradley Dixon	Year 3	Eulie Ummon & Miami Brindley
Year 4	Connor Jewell &	Year 5	Oliver Wyatt & Jamar Johnson
Year 6	Alan Dytfeld &		

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AWARDS

WEEK BEGINNING (Fri to Thurs)	ATTENDANCE CUP (Upper School) 	%	ATTENDANCE TED (Lower School) 	%
16 th October	Peggotty	98.8%	Barley	99.6%
23 rd October	Scrooge	98.7%	Badger	99.3%

Well done to the winning classes!

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 10 th November	Parents Voice Coffee Afternoon 2-3pm
Tuesday 10 th November	Football Tournament at GOALS
Friday 13 th November	Non-school uniform day in aid of Children in Need
Friday 13 th November	Bring a Wonder Woman to School
Wednesday 18 th November	Nursery & Reception Open Afternoon (1.15-2.45pm)
Thursday 19 th November	Nursery & Reception Open Morning (9.30-11.00am)
Tuesday 20 th November	Speech & Language Workshop for YrR
Friday 27 th November	Year 1 Phonics Workshop

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