



Ark Kings Academy

PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

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Aspire. Expect. Achieve. Together.

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

This week at Kings Primary we have been concentrating on 'Teamwork' from our school value of **together**. Lots of children have demonstrated this throughout the week by helping each other, working together, co-operating and being real team players. We want and **expect** our school to be known as a happy, safe and co-operative place to be- and we are seeing real results- well done to all the pupils who are fully on board with this!

Another fantastic week for Attendance and Punctuality! We have gone up to 96.7%. We are steadily creeping up towards our first target of 97%- let's keep on working together- we can **achieve** this! At the end of each half term there will be special rewards for children who have outstanding attendance.

We are really enjoying working with parents and families here at Kings Primary; getting to know you all and **aspire** to build strong, positive relationships. We will be inviting parents into Reading mornings after half term and to special award assemblies, held at the end of each half term. Each Friday we have our Achievement Assemblies where we have over 80 nominations, our house point totals and attendance raffle draw. As so many children win these awards and can be awarded them right up to the last minute (including in the actual assembly), it's not possible to invite all parents in to these on a weekly basis! But, parents will be invited in to year group curriculum workshops and other events. Keep an eye out on the Key Dates for your child's events.

Positive, supportive relationships with parents and families are crucial to our success here at Kings. We really value our parents, and it's great that lots of you come and chat to us every day on the playground or at the classroom doors at drop off or pick up time. At the same time though, we will not tolerate parents who use abusive language, raise voices or act in a threatening manner to staff, other parents or pupils; this will result in a ban from school site which will have an adverse effect on parents being able to support their child at school. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Have a lovely weekend, see you all on Monday.

Mrs C. Brasenell
Primary Headteacher

School Times of the Day

Monday to Friday: Reception – Year 6
 Gates open 8.30am, Gates close 8.45am
 Gates open 3.15pm, Gates close 3.35pm.

*Please note- every Friday, Year 6 are released from the Primary Site, Upper Playground.

Data Checking Sheet

Please return these to the School Office, even if you haven't had any changes- just write- 'no changes'. Thank you.

Free School Meals

All pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 get a Free School Meal. If your child is in Year3-6 they do not automatically get a free school meal. If your child has received a free school meal before in Year3-5 then this will continue. If you are unsure, please ask for a form to complete from the school office. School meals cost £2.25 per day and are payable to the School Office.

Uniform

Please ensure that all uniform items are named- especially jumpers and ties.

P.E Kit- please ensure your child's PE kit is in all school every day. Thank you.

Lost Property

Lost property is taken to the School Office each day. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled as we can then return any found items directly to the children.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you very much to the parents who donated cakes, attended our Coffee Morning and bought cakes from our 'flash sale' last Friday. We raised **£92.15** for Macmillan Cancer Research. Thank you!

Key dates for your diary

Tuesday 23rd October 3.30-6.30pm Rec-Y6 Parents' Evening, Primary School Hall

Thursday 25th October Spooky Discos: 5.00-6.00pm Y3 and 4, 6.00-7.00pm Y5 and 6- Primary School Hall

Friday 26th October- Break up for Half term at 3.15pm

Monday 29th October-Friday 2nd November: Half Term- School Closed.

Monday 5th November- Pupils return to school

Monday 5th November- Friday 9th November: Poppies and accessories on sale for Remembrance

Friday 16th November- Children In Need Day: non -school uniform- donate £1 (50p per sibling)

Monday 26th November- INSET Day- School Closed

Friday 30th November- 3.30-5.00pm Christmas Market- Primary Site

Friday 7th December- Reception Nativity Performances: 9.00am and 2.00pm

Friday 20th December Rec-Y6 Christmas Parties/ Discos- in school time- Non -Uniform Day (no cost)

Friday 20th December- Break up for Christmas Holidays 1.30pm