



From Mrs Silke

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another happy and successful term at Ark Oval. Oval staff and your children have worked really hard this term and thoroughly deserve their Easter break.

Year 1 Scientists on a Spring Walk

As part of the science curriculum, children are expected to investigate seasonal changes in the natural environment. Year 1 really enjoyed being scientists by observing, noting and drawing the signs that Spring has at last arrived!



Parent Drop In Meeting with Principal and Chair of Governors 15th March

We were really grateful to all parents who attended the above meeting. A summary of the topics discussed and actions taken will be sent out in the book bags today. Please note the next meeting is on **Tuesday 8th May at 2:45pm.**

Questions and Answers in Ark Oval Classrooms

In school teachers use a range of questioning techniques for teaching and assessing children. One of these techniques is to ask children to turn to their partner to answer / discuss a question rather than putting their hands up. While the children are discussing the question, the teacher moves around assessing the children and then takes feedback from children in the class. Children are encouraged to put their hands up to ask questions in class discussions or to ask for help if they do not understand.

Missing Scooter

Unfortunately, a scooter belonging to a Year 6 child has been taken from the scooter racks in school.

It is white, blue, black and yellow and has a Westbeach label down the front and a skull / face on the footboard. If it has been taken by accident we would be very grateful if it could be returned as soon as possible. Please can I remind parents and carers to ensure that the scooters are labelled with your child's name and locked.

End of Term Arrangements

Please note that school will close tomorrow at **1:30 pm** and there will be no After School Club.

I hope you all have a very enjoyable Easter break. Thank you all for working with us to support your children over the past term which is much appreciated. I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 16th April as there is no INSET day.

Best wishes

Ali Silke

Principal

Attendance awards

From Monday 19th March to Friday 23rd March 2018

The highest attending class in KS1

(including EYFS) was: **Seuss Class**

The highest attending class in KS2 was: **Hill Class**

These classes get to display the attendance cups proudly in their classrooms for all to see until Thursday 29th March 2018

Key Dates for your Diaries

Please see important dates below for your Diary:

Date and Time	Event
Thursday 29th March	School breaks up at 1.30pm
Tuesday 1 st May 4.00pm to 6.00pm	Parent Consultations
Thursday 3 rd May	SCHOOL CLOSURE DUE TO LOCAL ELECTIONS
Tuesday 8 th May at 2:45pm	Drop in Meeting with Principal and Chair of Governors
Wednesday 9 th May 4.00pm to 6.00pm	Parent Consultations
Friday 25 th May	School breaks up normal time
Tuesday 5 th June at 8:30am	Drop in Meeting with Principal and Chair of Governors
Saturday 23 rd June	Summer Fete
Wednesday 18 th July	Sports Day
Friday 20 th July	School breaks up 1.30pm

Our Value last week was **Bravery**

The following children demonstrated this value this week and each received a certificate in assembly. Well done!

**BLAKE
O'KEEFFE
SEUSS
BOWIE
GILL
WONDER
POTTER
ROSEN
ZEPHANIAH
HILL
LEWIS
WEIR
DARWIN
HAWKING
LOVELACE
DAVIS
PERKINS
PARKS
MANDELA**

Freddie Burch
Eileena McDonagh
Samanvi Vadlamudi
Maximillion Magnavacca
Sukunan Sutharsan
Harlow Tanner-Adeoye
Ayoki Gray-Thorne
Zaariya Masood
Aiyanna Melbourne Lee Sang
Ashley Bila
Malaika Nyanzi
Ryan Melis
Maci Hughes
Taylon Bell
Ayan Islam
Bercem Eren
Sobiinii Ramaniharan
Marie-Claire Mabila
Shiloh Ngidiwe

Wet Dismissal Arrangements

- Potter and Rosen classes are dismissed from the door opposite the music room.
- Zephaniah and Lovelace classes are dismissed from the main door of the old building.
- Hawking and Darwin classes are dismissed from the main building stairwell.
- Year 1 and Year 3 classes are dismissed from the hall of the old building.

**SCHOOL BREAKS UP
THURSDAY 29TH MARCH AT 1.30PM**

**SCHOOL RETURNS
MONDAY 16TH APRIL**

