



From Mrs Silke

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am so pleased that your children have had such a successful first half term, in that they have settled in so well to their classes.

Parent Questionnaire

Many thanks to all of you, for returning your questionnaires, with all your valuable comments.

We had an amazing 301 forms returned which are now being collated and analysed. This information and subsequent actions will be shared with you and Governors once it is complete. I am delighted to inform you that the winner of the prize draw is Kelsy Quebra Borges and you will be contacted regarding how to claim your prize.

Languages, Diversity and Geography at Oval

I am thrilled to inform you that all children from Nursery upwards will be learning Spanish and have weekly timetabled lessons.

One of the things that attracted me to Ark Oval was the multicultural nature of the school and its community. Did you know that 352 out of our 589 children (60%) speak English as an additional language, and that there are over 50 different languages spoken in school.

Zephaniah class in Year 2 have been discussing the languages that children can speak in their class, and also looking at the world map to identify where around the world these languages are spoken. These are the languages spoken in Zephaniah class: Malayan, Shona, Urdu, Portuguese, Arabic, Romanian, Lithuanian, Punjabi, Turkish, Tamil, Polish, Yoruba, Persian, and Hindi.

It's great to know that all Oval children will also learn to speak Spanish as they move through the school.

Headteacher's Tea Party

Well done to all these children, who have demonstrated, great behaviour and attended the Headteacher's Tea Parties this week:

Class	Name	
Banksy	Kayden	Daly
Banksy	Nefeli	Chotza
Seuss	Shiza	Khan
Seuss	Maganth	Ramalingham Ramesh
Blake	Norah	Daiboun Sahel
Blake	Roxanna	Bojanowska
O'Keeffe	Theo	Headley
O'Keeffe	Kehinde	Faronbi
Wonder	Caitlin	Poon
Wonder	Mobin	Safi
Bowie	Meera	Thiyagarajan
Bowie	Ashley	Wood
Gill	Zara	Leadbetter - Ceylan
Gill	Zoe	Siu
Potter	Advait	Ramesh Kumar
Potter	Kalima	Serrette - Henry
Rosen	Maria	Amin
Rosen	Jorge	Ventura Garcia
Zephaniah	Kaden	Francis
Zephaniah	Neriya	Thomas - Johnson
Lewis	Aleksy	Kowal
Lewis	Michelle	Stempkowska
Hill	Fabiana	Lucani Galindo
Hill	Ivan	Ung
Weir	Faith	Thomas - Johnson
Weir	Daniella	Pinho Verdades
Hawking	Aren	McCarthy
Hawking	Pedro	Selvatici
Lovelace	Karina - Maria	Gabor
Lovelace	Harsheet	Jagarlamudi
Darwin	Caterina	Trotta
Darwin	Taylor	Munt
Perkins	Claudia	Porcel
Perkins	Harini	Peratheepan
Davis	Aradhanha	Ramesh
Davis	Harvey	Cooper
Parks	Anjaly	Joseph
Parks	Joshua	Malik
Mandela	Shumai	Woodburn
Mandela	David	Borges Moreira

Please do come along to the PTA AGM in the lower hall on **Wednesday 1st November at 3.45pm** to find out more about the PTA and how you can be involved. The new committee will also be elected at this event.

As you know, it is the half term break next week. I would like to wish you a very happy holiday with your families. We look forward to seeing you all on **Monday 30th October**, which is our first day as there is NO INSET day.

Ali Silke

Headteacher

Attendance awards

From Monday 9th October to Friday 13th October 2017

The highest attending class in KS1

(including EYFS) was: **Seuss**

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

These classes get to display the attendance cups proudly in their classrooms for all to see until Friday 20th October 2017

Our Value last week was: **Bravery**

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

BLAKE	Elijah Sodeinde
O'KEEFFE	Anna Gkirtsou
SEUSS	Sujith Cheemakurthi
BOWIE	Trisha Thakkar
GILL	Nicolas Humphreys
WONDER	Mobin Safi
POTTER	Craig Nemasango
ROSEN	Sahana Surabhi
ZEPHANIAH	Flavia Nutu
HILL	Fabiana Lucani Galindo
LEWIS	Malaika Nyanzi
WEIR	Calum Poon
DARWIN	Neelesha Sahu
HAWKING	Rion Zogjani
LOVELACE	Zoran Ali
DAVIS	Efrac Katumba
PERKINS	Renim Hagos
PARKS	Leo Duberry
MANDELA	Serife Ozkok

Key Dates for your Diaries

Please see important dates below for your Diary:

Date and Time	Location	Event
Tuesday 7 th November KS2 8.30-9.30am	Lower Hall	Maths KS2 Workshop
Wednesday 8 th November 8.30 – 9.30am	Lower Hall	English Workshop
Tuesday 14 th November 8.30 – 9.30	Lower Hall	English KSI Workshop
Wednesday 15 th November 8.30 – 9.30	Lower Hall	Maths KSI Workshop
Friday 8 th December	SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY
Friday 15 th December 3.30 – 5.30	Playgrounds	Christmas Fair
18 th & 19 th December 2017 Times to be advised	Old Building Halls	Christmas performances
Wednesday 20 th December 2017	Playground Dismissal	Last Day of Term Finish at 1.30 pm
Tuesday 2 nd January 2018	SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY
Wednesday 3 rd January 2018	Usual Entry Points	First day of Spring Term
Tuesday 9 th & Thursday 11 th January 2018 4.00 to 6.00pm	Classrooms	Parent Consultations

